

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA, HELD ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2003, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE CHATHAM COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 124 BULL STREET, SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Billy Hair called the meeting to order at 9:22 a.m., Friday, October 10, 2003.

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II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Rivers gave the invocation.

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III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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IV. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll.

PRESENT:	Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman Dr. Priscilla D. Thomas, Vice Chairman, District Eight Frank G. Murray, Chairman Pro Tem, District Four Jeffrey D. Rayno, District One Joe Murray Rivers, District Two John J. McMasters, District Three Harris Odell, Jr., District Five David M. Gellatly, District Six B. Dean Kicklighter, District Seven
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IN ATTENDANCE:	R. E. Abolt, County Manager R. Jonathan Hart, County Attorney Sybil E. Tillman, County Clerk
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YOUTH COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Hair introduced the following Youth Commissioners who were in attendance: Patrick Callahan, Executive Member, a Senior at Windsor Forest High School; Whitney Gusby, Executive Member, a Senior at Jenkins High School; and Otani Cheley, Parliamentarian, a Senior at Savannah Arts Academy and representing Housing Authority of Savannah.

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V. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2003 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH—CHERYL BRANCH OF SAFE SHELTER WILL BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE THE PROCLAMATION.

Chairman Hair read the following proclamation into the record:

WHEREAS, domestic violence affects millions of Americans, crossing all economic, racial and social barriers and causing emotional damage, physical harm or death to members of the family; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, the Savannah Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Shelter provided services for 1,601 victims of domestic violence, sheltered 426 victims and their children; received 1,774 crisis calls; and

WHEREAS, in Chatham County, the Chatham County Police Department responded to 1,848 domestic disturbance calls, wrote 1,222 domestic violence reports and investigated one domestic violence-related homicide; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to promote support for the shelters and programs designed to protect battered women and their families and to reduce domestic violence, the Georgia Network Against Domestic Violence is sponsoring special activities during the month of October 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Safe Shelter Outreach Program has partnered with the Chatham County Youth Commission and Chatham County government to provide information and training in recognizing and reporting domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence has ended lives, destroyed families, harmed children and has entered the work places, churches and schools of this community; and

WHEREAS, Chatham County government recognizes the decrease in domestic violence incidents in this community last year, we hereby condemn domestic violence in all of its forms and support the efforts of SAFE SHELTER and the SAFE SHELTER OUTREACH PROGRAM to make the home a safe place for all the citizens of Chatham County.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman of the Chatham County Commission proclaim the month of October 2003 as:

“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”

in Chatham County, Georgia and encourage all citizens to be good neighbors in identifying and promptly reporting incidences of domestic violence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Chatham County, Georgia, to be affixed, this 10th day of October, 2003.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

Attest:

Sybil E. Tillman, County Clerk

Ms. Cheryl Branch said, thank you very much. On behalf of SAFE Shelter, I've got calendars of events for all of you and I'm sure I will see all of you at these events. Saturday night is our annual Candlelight Vigil in Forsyth Park and next Friday is our annual luncheon, and our keynote speaker this year is going to be Michael "Moon" Thompson. As a young boy he was in our shelter with his mother and now he's playing for the New York Jets. So, you know, I think that's a —, he's got a remarkable story. So all of the City Commissioners [sic] have said they were going to be there, so I'm sure all of the County Commissioners are going to be there. I have purple ribbons for all of you. I hope you will wear them in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and I have calendars for you, and Jeff Felser and Wanda Andrews, they're here from our board, and Jeff [Felser] just had a few words. Thank you very much.

Mr. Jeff Felser said, thank you, Mr. Chairman and fellow Commissioners. My name is Jeff Felser. I'm the Executive Vice President for the Board of Directors of SAFE Shelter, and Wanda Andrews here is also on our Board of Directors for SAFE Shelter. The only thing that we wanted to add were some unfortunate statistics to bring to your attention. There were a total of 73 homicides statewide because of domestic violence and a total of four in Chatham County, and nine of the deaths that were statewide were children under the age of 10. And so anything that you can do at any time

throughout the year to help us with the cause against domestic violence we appreciate it. We're trying to save lives and help people, and that includes also keeping Georgia Regional open so that we can have people who need help get the help they need. Thank you.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Mr. Felser. We appreciate y'all being here this morning.

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VI. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

~~1. \$30,000 BRAC & CHAMBER.~~

This item was removed from the agenda prior to the meeting.

2. TO CONFIRM CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE ON FY04 AMENDMENT #01 TO CONTRACT WITH GEORGIA DHR, SOUTHEAST MENTAL HEALTH. NO INCREASE OR DECREASE IN FUNDING. AMENDMENT UPDATES THE ANNEX A TO THE 6/27/03 TEMPLATE VERSION.

Chairman Hair said, this deals with the Drug Court that Judge Bass has taken the leadership of. Commissioner Murray said, moved for approval. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Rayno said, second. Chairman Hair asked, any discussion? All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes. Thank you.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to confirm the Chairman's signature on FY04 Amendment #01 to contract with Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR), Southeast Mental Health, which updates Annex A to the 6/27/03 template version. Commissioner Rayno seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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VII. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

~~1. BRETT HULME - C.A.T. (COMMISSIONER GELLATLY).~~

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

This item was moved to the Chatham Area Transit Authority agenda.

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2. HIGHWAY 204 (COMMISSIONER GELLATLY AND COMMISSIONER KICKLIGHTER).

Chairman Hair said, I don't know who's going to go first. Commissioner Gellatly, do you want to go first? Commissioner Gellatly said, I'll go first. Chairman Hair said, okay.

Commissioner Gellatly said, it's been both Commissioner Kicklighter's and my personal observation that certainly over the last three or four months on 204 from I-95 to the city limits I've never seen a highway in more deplorable condition as far as dirt, trash —, trash meaning anything from people who have emptied large quantities of cigarette butts at intersections to pieces of furniture that have fallen off trash trucks along the side of the road. I watched —, my personal favorite was half of a lounge chair that remained in the median for at least three weeks and so the condition of this road got worse and worse over time. This is a road that's been a lot of work on. There's —, the volume of traffic must have tripled or quadrupled in the last five years. My suspicion was that the State Maintenance Program was probably five years old and didn't keep up with the volume in traffic. Now in fairness to the State, the State officials were notified and they were very, very receptive and the road is in the process of being cleaned up right now. And I also want to make it perfectly clear for the public that Chatham County is not responsible for the cleanliness of that road. That is not a County function even though these two Commissioners have combined and received well over a dozen complaints wanting to know what the County was going to do about it. Well, what the County is going to do about it is we're going to right after this meeting is over, we're going to meet with the County Manager, with representa-

tives of the State, with Robert Drewry, the Chief of Police of the County Police Department and these two Commissioners, and we're going to come up with some measures that I hope will help resolve this problem. What we'd like to see the State do, and they've seemed receptive to this, I would like to see at least a half a dozen signs erected along this road, both sides, stating "No Littering" and if you do what it's going to cost you, and I would like to see the County Police Department make some cases on this, and I would like to —, I would like to see —, there would be some messages on the government on the channel. I'd like to see some of these people that are arrested for littering, I'd like to see a heading of "Litterbug" and let's go ahead and announce to the entire population who these people are that are trashing our roads, and I think that this is an important thing for us to do. You know, we —, to pick up trash costs millions of dollars a year throughout the State and we're really at a point in time where tax money is tight and we can decide whether we want to buy books for our school children or if we want to build parks or do we want to spend the money to pick up litter. The choice is certainly ours. So, at any rate, after this meeting, why, we will have another meeting and to see if we can't resolve this. I did want to take a few minutes to make this a part of the record that we are concerned and I fully expect that this problem along 204 is to be corrected or these two Commissioners want to know the reason why. Thank you.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Kicklighter.

Commissioner Kicklighter said, I'll just add that basically we want to let the public know —, he basically said everything —, but we're working on it and also I want to add to that one thing. Yeah, he said it all, but I'd like to also see the City of Port Wentworth contact Georgia DOT and work with them on Highway 21 from 95 all the way in because, you know, again that's a state-maintained road and it's in deplorable condition there and, you know, being it in the city limits of Port Wentworth, they need to work with them. And, you know, we're doing what we can because we represent that unincorporated area and that's it.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Commissioner Kicklighter.

Commissioner Murray said, I would like to see y'all incorporate Highway 80 or any other state-maintained roads that we have in Chatham County to that list —. Chairman Hair said, I really think it should be all the roads. It shouldn't be just 204. Commissioner Murray said, — because there are problems on all of them. It's not just on 204.

Chairman Hair said, thank you.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Received as information.

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3. DISCUSSION ON REDISTRICTING (COMMISSIONER MURRAY).

Commissioner Murray said, you know, we went through a lot of meetings and process to go through a couple of years ago on redistricting again, and there was a consensus to move the redistricting forward with certain maps. Our State Legislators adopted the School Board's which was identical to the same one submitted by the County Commission, and the County Commissioners' district was denied, but the School Board's was approved. As a matter of fact, they ran in their last election on the new districts. It's really confusing. We have elections coming up next year and people need to know what district they're going to be in so they can decide whether they want to run for office or not. That's not the only reason to do it, but it —, but you've got people considering running for certain districts right now that won't be living in that district if in fact this redistricting goes through. So I would request that between now and our next meeting that there be a resolution written up that we can send to our delegation requesting this be acted on as soon as possible. Do I agree with the way it's cut? No, not particularly, but I know that at the same time I don't have a lot of choice on it because the district's grown and it's giving up quite a bit each time we've gone through redistricting and so have a couple of the other districts, but I think it's probably as fair as we're going to get right now, and if it does go to court I would think that the judge would rule that those lines are going to be adopted. So I —, you know, that's just my personal feeling. I know that we've sat on it, we've talked about it for a while, but I think we need to move forward.

Chairman Hair said, we need to certainly add it to the legislative list that we talked about in the pre-meeting and make sure that's a priority. If you want to do a resolution, that's fine. I don't know that that's appropriate. As long as we make sure we get it as high priority on our list.

Commissioner Murray said, well, I just think we need to let them know that something has to be done.

Chairman Hair said, okay. Thank you, Commissioner Murray.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray suggested that because elections will be held next year we need to encourage our State Legislators to consider it a high priority to approve the redistricting of the County Commissioners' districts to the same as the School Board's districts to eliminate confusion and so that those interested in running for office will know in what district they reside.

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CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

The Board recessed as the County Commission at 9:35 a.m., and reconvened as the Chatham Area Transit Authority.

The Chatham Area Transit Authority was adjourned and the Board reconvened as the County Commission at 10:50 a.m.

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VIII. TABLED/POSTPONED ITEMS

Unless action is contemplated at today's meeting, staff report and file material has not been duplicated in your agenda packet. The files are available from the Clerk. Those on which staff is requesting action are indicated by asterisk (*).

1. **NOTE: AT MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2003, COMMISSIONER MURRAY ASKED FOR RECONSIDERATION OF DENIAL TO AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PERMITTING OF RIVERWALK EXTENSION ON HUTCHINSON ISLAND.**

ITEM	DEPT.	SOURCE	AMOUNT	FUNDING
AA. Engineering services contract for additional environmental work on the Riverwalk Extension	SPLOST	Thomas & Hutton Engineering	\$102,500	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Hutchinson Island Riverwalk

Chairman Hair said, we need a motion to take it off the table. Commissioner Murray said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Thomas said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Odell, Gellatly, Kicklighter and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Rayno voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of eight to one. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Murray.

Commissioner Murray said, yeah. At our last Commission meeting we did not have everyone here and we approved a vote to deny the \$102,500 for the Riverwalk on Hutchinson Island, which is a SPLOST project. With doing that I think personally that we are going to lose an awful lot of money in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000 if we don't do it. To me it's a driving force of completing part of what we said we were going to do on Hutchinson Island, and I feel very strong that we need to adopt this. Those Commissioners that opposed it, I certainly understand their reason. They want to vote to oppose anything that comes up on Hutchinson Island, that's fine, but I just feel like that what we've done over there, if we don't complete what we've done, we're going to lose an awful lot of revenue for the whole County.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner Murray said, I move to adopt it. Commissioner Rivers said, second. Chairman Hair said, second. Commissioner McMasters said, discussion. Chairman Hair said, Commissioner McMasters and then Commissioner Rayno.

Commissioner McMasters said, point of clarification, if I can. Are you recommending alternative number two, that we adopt it with a bid process? Commissioner Murray said, yes. I don't have no problems with the bid process and my motion would be to go through the bid process, but I think we need to adopt this period. Commissioner McMasters said, okay, I agree.

Vice Chairman Thomas recognized Commissioner Rayno.

Commissioner Rayno said, I think that we have higher SPLOST priorities than building a glorified sidewalk at Hutchinson Island.

Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Odell, Gellatly and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Rayno voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of seven to one. [NOTE: Commissioner Kicklighter was not present.] Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

1. Commissioner Murray moved to untable this item and place it before the Commissioners for consideration. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Odell, Gellatly, Kicklighter and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Rayno voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of eight to one.
2. Commissioner Murray moved to approve Alternative 2 of the staff report that the Board direct staff to seek competitive proposals for the additional environmental work to obtain the permit, which would require approximately 4-6 weeks to receive proposals, evaluate them and return to the Board for approval.

Commissioner Rivers seconded the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Odell, Gellatly and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Rayno voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of seven to one. [NOTE: Commissioner Kicklighter was not present.]

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2. APPROACHING THE RECREATION AUTHORITY? Note: Item was tabled at meeting of August 22, 2003.

Chairman Hair said, we need a motion to take it off the table. Commissioner Rayno said, so moved. Commissioner Rivers said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

Chairman Hair said, I'll call on Commissioner Rayno to basically, as we discussed in the pre-meeting, to go to the Recreation Authority and —.

Commissioner Rayno said, yeah. We'll have a meeting with the Recreation Authority and they'll provide a recommendation —, a vision for this County Commission to either vote up or down.

Chairman Hair said, great. Thanks. We don't need a motion for that.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

1. Commissioner Rayno moved to untable this item. Commissioner Rivers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Rayno said this item will be taken to the Recreation Authority for a recommendation to bring back to the County Commission.

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3. UNION DECISION—REV. LEONARD SMALL. Note: At meeting of September 26, 2003, item was tabled until meeting of October 10, 2003.

Chairman Hair said, just for the public to know on the union decision, Rev. Small has asked for that to be delayed until the first meeting in November, and we're going to respect his wishes and delay that until the first meeting in November.

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4. PURCHASING ITEM S. Note: At meeting of September 26, 2003, item was tabled until meeting of October 10, 2003.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
S. Ethernet conversion equipment	Police	Disys Corporation	\$12,277	SSD - Police

Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Rayno, I think you're the one that tabled that item. I'll entertain a motion to take it off. Commissioner Rayno said, motion to take it off the table. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Rivers said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Chairman Hair said, I'll call on Commissioner Rayno.

Commissioner Rayno said, thank you. Mr. Leonard, a simple question. You've got companies that are very close in their bids for the Ethernet system. My question was if a problem occurs and the company from Virginia, which is the lowest bid, comes down and has to fix it, it seems to me that the next higher bid, it's not very far off, is in Atlanta, it's a Cisco company, it's a Cisco product, isn't it better to have the Cisco Company do it and be closer? Mr. Leonard said, any warranty work will be done by Cisco. We have a one-year warranty and next business day warranty repair. Commissioner Rayno said, and we're approving a Cisco contract today for [inaudible]. Mr. Leonard said, right, right, but the equipment has a one-year warranty to it and then we only buy maintenance after that warranty expires. Commissioner Rayno said, okay. Mr. Leonard said, and so this is pretty much commodity equipment. A lot of people sell it and we typically try to get the lowest price. Commissioner Rayno asked, so this is a one-time shot for this business? Mr. Leonard said, yes. Commissioner Rayno said, okay. Thank you.

Commissioner Rayno said, motion to approve. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Rivers said, second. All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

1. Commissioner Rayno moved to untable this item and place it before the Commissioners for consideration. Commissioner Rivers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 2 Commissioner Rayno moved to approve Item S. Commissioner Rivers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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IX. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL ACTION

(Unless the Board directs otherwise, adoption of an Action Item will mean approval of the respective County staff report and its recommended action.)

- 1. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVE THE FOLLOWING: A TRANSFER OF \$67,040 WITHIN THE LIBRARY BUDGET TO THE SALARIES AND WAGES EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT CODE; A GENERAL FUND M&O CONTINGENCY TRANSFER OF \$4,500 TO FLEET OPERATIONS FOR EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT; AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE MULTIPLE GRANT FUND TO REFLECT ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FROM THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$174,000.**

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner Rivers said, so moved. Commissioner Odell said, move for approval —, second. Chairman Hair said, second. All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Rivers moved to approve the following: A transfer of \$67,040 within the Library budget to the Salaries and Wages Expenditure Account Code; a General Fund M&O Contingency transfer of \$4,500 to Fleet Operations for equipment replacement; and an amendment to the Multiple Grant Fund to reflect acceptance of a State Homeland Security Grant from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$174,000. Commissioner Odell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. DISCUSSION OF 2004 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM.

Chairman Hair said, I think we pretty much talked about that in the pre-meeting. Commissioner Murray said, we want to add the redistricting. Chairman Hair said, we want to add redistricting. Make sure, Mr. Abolt, that that gets on Mr. McAlister's list. We certainly want to add that, and then we also said that any of us between now and the next meeting that want to add or modify or delete, that we would make that known and we would come back at the next meeting and entertain a consensus for that.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

This item will be brought back at the next meeting to finalize a priority list for presentation to the State Legislators, which will include redistricting.

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3. PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT.

Chairman Hair said, I will now open the public hearing on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. Is there anyone here in the audience that would like to speak to that grant? Hearing none, I declare the hearing adjourned on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Public hearing. — No action is required.

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4. WRAP UP OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

Chairman Hair recognized County Manager Abolt.

County Manager Abolt said, thank you, Dr. Hair, Dr. Thomas, gentlemen. This is just the completion of the project as information. I've tried to report the close working relationship between Mr. Monahan, Mr. McDonald, Dr. Lewandowski and others. The project was brought in on budget —, a little less than budget, in fact. It's an outstanding facility in which I believe we can all take pride, and this is just for your information.

Chairman Hair said, I would just like to add a comment. Since this building is located right down the street from where my offices are located, this is a wonderful facility, and if you talk to the folks that work at Mosquito Control, they will tell you their efficiency is up in the 30 to 40 percent area as a result of this facility, particularly in the spraying issue in terms of efficiency. So it is —, if you haven't come out there as a Commissioner, I would strongly urge you to do so and go through that facility and let the staff talk to you about it. It is an absolute state of the art facility.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Received as information.

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5. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE.

Chairman Hair said, the next item we moved from First Readings and that was simply because we found out this morning it was not a First Reading item. That's the Comprehensive Plan Short Term Work Program for MPC that inadvertently got on the First Readings and it should not have been on there. It should be just Items for Individual Action. I'll entertain a motion to approve.

Commissioner Odell said, move for approval. Commissioner Rivers said, so moved. Commissioner Thomas said, second. Chairman Hair said, second. Any discussion? All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Odell moved to adopt the resolution and approve the Comprehensive Plan Short Term Work Program. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Commission herewith informs the Georgia Department of Community Affairs that the following action was taken on October 10, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Chatham County intends to maintain compliance with the requirements of State legislation regarding updating of comprehensive plans.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chatham County Commission hereby adopts the updated Comprehensive Plan Short Term Work Program which is attached to this resolution for submittal to the Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center and the Department of Community Affairs.

ADOPTED, this _____ day of October, 2003.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

ATTEST:

Sybil E. Tillman, County Clerk

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X. ACTION CALENDAR

(The Board can entertain one motion to adopt the below-listed calendar. Such motion would mean adoption of staff's recommendation. Any Board Member may choose to pull an item from the calendar and it would be considered separately.)

Chairman Hair asked, does anybody want to pull anything off? If not, I'll entertain —. Commissioner Thomas said, I just —, number 6. Chairman Hair said, 6. I'll entertain a motion to approve the balance of the Action Calendar. Commissioner Kicklighter said, so moved. Commissioner Thomas said, second. Commissioner Murray said, wait a minute. No, never mind. Chairman Hair said, okay. Commissioner Odell said, move for approval. Commissioner Rivers said, second. Chairman Hair said, we already have a motion and a second. All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved that the Action Calendar be approved in its entirety with the exception of Item 6. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

[NOTE: ACTION OF THE BOARD IS SHOWN ON EACH ITEM AS THOUGH AN INDIVIDUAL MOTION WAS MADE THEREON.]

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1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE PRE-MEETING AND REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2003, AS MAILED.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve the minutes for the pre-meeting and regular meeting of September 26, 2003, as mailed. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. CLAIMS VS. CHATHAM COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 18 THROUGH OCTOBER 1, 2003.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved that the Finance Director is authorized to pay claims for the period September 18, 2003, through October 1, 2003, in the amount of \$12,702,912. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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**3. REQUEST BOARD APPROVE AMENDMENT #1 TO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SAVANNAH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,515 FOR RELOCATION OF WATER AND SEWER LINES FOR THE HIGHWAY 80 WIDENING PROJECT FROM BRYAN WOODS ROAD TO THE BULL RIVER BRIDGE.
[DISTRICT 4.]**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve Amendment #1 to an agreement with the City of Savannah in the amount of \$4,515 for relocation of water and sewer lines for the Highway 80 Widening Project from Bryan Woods Road to the Bull River Bridge. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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**4. REQUEST FROM EAGLE DEVELOPMENT GROUP, THROUGH THEIR ENGINEER, HGB&D, TO RECORD THE SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR BERWICK LAKES SUBDIVISION PHASE 5, ACCEPT THE SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT AND FINANCIAL GUARANTEE AND RECOMBINE THIS PHASE INTO THE EXISTING BERWICK LAKES STREETLIGHT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT.
[DISTRICT 7.]**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve a request from Eagle Development Group, through their engineer, Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung (HGB&D), to record the subdivision plat for Berwick Lakes Subdivision, Phase 5, accept the subdivision agreement and financial guarantee and recombine this phase into the existing Berwick Lakes Streetlight Assessment District. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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5. **REQUEST FROM EAGLE DEVELOPMENT GROUP, THROUGH THEIR ENGINEER, HGB&D, TO RECORD THE SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR BERWICK LAKES SUBDIVISION PHASE 6, ACCEPT THE SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT AND FINANCIAL GUARANTEE AND RECOMBINE THIS PHASE INTO THE EXISTING BERWICK LAKES STREETLIGHT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT.**
[DISTRICT 7.]

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve a request from Eagle Development Group, through their engineer, Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung (HGB&D), to record the subdivision plat for Berwick Lakes Subdivision, Phase 6, accept the subdivision agreement and financial guarantee and recombine this phase into the existing Berwick Lakes Streetlight Assessment District. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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6. **REQUEST BOARD DECLARE AS SURPLUS A VACANT LOT IN THE CITY OF SAVANNAH AT 2017 WEST BAY STREET AND AUCTION THE COUNTY'S INTEREST IN THIS PROPERTY HELD BY TAX DEED.**
[DISTRICT 8.]

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Thomas.

Commissioner Thomas said, yeah, I just —, I just need a little bit more information on that. Can you give me a little bit of background on it? Chairman Hair asked, Mr. Abolt, can you —?

County Manager Abolt said, yes, quickly, yes, I'd be glad to. Thank you, Dr. Thomas. Mr. Monahan will provide the briefing. Go ahead, Pat [Monahan].

Mr. Pat Monahan said, this represents a typical of property that the County holds by tax deed. The County does not own the property, but delinquent taxes date back almost 15 years. The owner of record of the property has requested to acquire the property back from the County. It's something that normally the County does not entertain, but there were some unusual circumstances. An employee within the office was convicted of a crime and apparently there were some records that were in disarray and the property taxes were not paid, and I think the property owner just wants to come back and settle everything so it can be sold.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner Thomas said, that's all I have. Move for approval. Commissioner Kicklighter said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Odell said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to declare as surplus a vacant lot consisting of approximately .158 acres located in the City of Savannah at 2017 West Bay Street (PIN 2-0026-09-004) and auction the County's interest in this property held by tax deed. Commissioner Odell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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7. **REQUEST FOR NEW RETAIL PACKAGE WINE LICENSE FOR 2003. PETITIONER: KATHRYN H. HIEBERT, D/B/A OAKRIDGE CLUB, LOCATED AT 11 WESTCROSS ROAD.**
[DISTRICT 4.]

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve the petition of Kathryn H. Hiebert, d/b/a Oakridge Club, located at 11 Westcross Road, for a new retail package wine license for 2003. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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8. **REQUEST FOR BUSINESS NAME CHANGE FOR BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR POURING AND SUNDAY SALES LICENSES. PETITIONER: LOUISE BATTLE D/B/A/ LOU'S, LOCATED AT 3A SKIDAWAY VILLAGE WALK.**

[DISTRICT 4.]

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve the petition of Louise Battle d/b/a Lou's, located at 3A Skidaway Village Walk, for a business name change for beer, wine and liquor pouring and Sunday sales licenses. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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9. REQUEST BOARD CONFIRM THE CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE ON A GRANTEE-SUBGRANTEE AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT A STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FROM THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to confirm the Chairman's signature on a Grantee-Subgrantee Agreement to accept a State Homeland Security Grant from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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10. REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL FOR CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR STATE COURTS TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE SUPERIOR COURT, EASTERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with the National Center for State Courts to provide consulting services to the Superior Court, Eastern Judicial Circuit. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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11. REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL TO AWARD BIDS AS FOLLOWS: (Please note that new purchase thresholds of \$10,000 or more have been enacted; however, contracts and change orders of a lesser amount still will appear.)

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
A. Annual software license and maintenance agreements	ICS	Xiotech (sole source)	\$30,000	General Fund/M&O - ICS
B. 27 foot Workskiff Harbor Security boat	Marine Patrol	Workskiff, Inc. (sole source - GSA contract)	\$132,116	Homeland Security Grant
C. Change Order No. 1 (summary) to the contract to construct a right turn lane on Gulfstream Road at S.R. 21 for summary changes	SPLOST	Clifton Construction Company (WBE)	\$4,737.54	SPLOST (1985-1993) - Gulfstream Road at S.R. 21
D. Four (4) full size 2x4 extended cab pickup trucks	•Sheriff •Land Bank	J. C. Lewis Ford	\$16,056.90 (base bid)	•SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement •Land Bank
E. Four (4) full size 2x4 long bed pickup trucks	•Water and Sewer •Facilities Maintenance and Operations	J. C. Lewis Ford	\$13,286.90 (base bid)	•Water and Sewer •SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
F. One (1) 3/4 ton, heavy duty, 2-door cab and chassis	Fleet Operations	J. C. Lewis Ford	\$16,300 (base bid)	SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement
G. Two (2) one ton, heavy duty, 4-door cab and chassis	Public Works and Park Services	J. C. Lewis Ford	\$25,329 (base bid)	SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement
H. Change Order No. 7 to the annual contract for pest control service for the addition of the Elections Board Warehouse	Elections Board	Ideal Pest Control, Inc.	\$360	General Fund/M&O - Elections Board
I. Professional services contract to provide "as required" instruction and supervision of youth under the jurisdiction of Juvenile Court in a community service work program which operates on Saturdays	Juvenile Court	•Phillip Thompson •Scott Brown	\$16.00/hour	Supervision fees collected by Juvenile Court
J. Construction contract for remedial drainage improvements at Placentia Canal	SPLOST	Sandhill ALS Construction (MBE)	\$98,000	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Drainage - Placentia Project
K. Third rental renewal agreement for the space occupied as an office located in the Chatham County Courthouse Annex	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	First Judicial Administrative District of the Administrative Office of the Courts	\$4,250 revenue to the County	Revenue Producing
L. Contract for painting of interior walls and locker room at the Aquatic Center with additional four (4) year labor warranty	Aquatic Center	E&D Coatings, Inc. (FBE)	\$40,860	•SPLOST (1993-1998) - Olympic Pool (\$29,000) •CIP - Aquatic Center (\$11,860)
M. Annual maintenance on Cisco hardware and software	ICS	Cisco Systems	\$32,336.18	General Fund/M&O - ICS
N. Change Order No. 5 to the contract to provide landscape architectural design services for Runaway Point Community Park, Phase II and III for additional services	SPLOST	Hinesley-Hickson Association	\$19,400	•SPLOST (1993-1998) - Runaway Point •SPLOST (2003-2008) - Runaway Point

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve Items 11-A through 11-N. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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XI. FIRST READINGS

Proposed changes to ordinances must be read or presented in written form at two meetings held not less than one week apart. A vote on the following listed matters will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Comments, discussion and debate from members of the public will be received only at the meeting at which a vote is to be taken on one of the following listed items.

1. REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X. WATER AND SEWER CHARGES AND FEES OF THE CHATHAM COUNTY REVENUE ORDINANCE.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Chairman Hair read this item into the record as the first reading.

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~~2. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE.~~**ACTION OF THE BOARD:**

This item did not require a first and second reading and was moved to IX-5.

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XII. SECOND READINGS

1. **PETITIONER, WILLIAM T. DANIEL, JR., LINDA VADEN DANIEL, PETER H. THACHER, AND JANE VADEN THACHER, OWNERS) ARE REQUESTING PROPERTY LOCATED ON U.S. HIGHWAY 17 SOUTH, IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF GEORGIA HIGHWAY 204 WITHIN UNINCORPORATED CHATHAM COUNTY FROM A PUD-IS (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT-INSTITUTIONAL) ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO A P-B-C (PLANNED COMMUNITY-BUSINESS) ZONING CLASSIFICATION. THE MPC RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.
MPC FILE NO. Z-020717-35136-1
[DISTRICT 7.]**

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner Rayno said, motion to approve. Commissioner Odell said, move for approval —, second. Chairman Hair asked, second.

Commissioner Kicklighter asked, can I just ask if there's anyone that —. Chairman Hair asked, anybody want to speak to this? Commissioner Kicklighter said, — can tell me what they want to do here or whatever. County Attorney Hart said, I think they're trying to bring the contiguous piece next to that car dealer into some kind of —. Chairman Hair said, keep it the same thing. County Attorney Hart said, — same type of zoning use and eventually the County is going to put a road down there and they're going to put a super driveway in to kind of cut the congestion down. So from a land use planning standpoint, I think it would improve that area. Chairman Hair said, they've also —, they're very cooperative with that effort. It [inaudible] that road behind Keller's Flea Market there, so —.

Chairman Hair said, all in favor vote yes —. The Clerk asked, did we have a second on that? Commissioner Odell said, yes. Chairman Hair said, — opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Rayno moved to approve the petition of William T. Daniel, Jr., Linda Vaden Daniel, Peter H. Thacher, and Jane Vaden Thacher, Owners) requesting rezoning of property located on U. S. Highway 17 South, immediately south of Georgia Highway 204, within unincorporated Chatham County from a PUD-IS (Planned Unit Development-Institutional) zoning classification to a P-B-C (Planned Community-Business) zoning classification. Commissioner Odell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. **THE PETITIONER, PHILLIP MCCORKLE, AGENT (FOR BESSIE MAE SAXON, OWNER) IS REQUESTING REZONING A 70.96 ACRE SITE LOCATED WEST OF FORT ARGYLE ROAD, NORTH OF I-95, FROM AN R-A (RESIDENTIAL-AGRICULTURE) TO A PDR-SM (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-RECLAMATION-SURFACE MINING) ZONING CLASSIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF A GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN. THE MPC RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.
MPC FILE NO. Z-030717-39574-1
[DISTRICT 7.]**

Commissioner Rayno said, Dr. Hair, I just wanted to thank Phillip McCorkle for his timely responses to extensive questions I made, and I move for approval. Chairman Hair asked, second. Commissioner Thomas said, second.

Commissioner Kicklighter asked, can I ask a question on this? Chairman Hair said, certainly. Commissioner Kicklighter asked, what will you actually be mining for? Mr. Phillip McCorkle said, sand. Chairman Hair said, sand. Commissioner Kicklighter asked, just sand? Okay. And I want to ask, is there anyone out there that opposes this or anybody that y'all know of? Chairman Hair said, nobody in opposition. Commissioner Kicklighter said, okay.

Vice Chairman Thomas recognized Commissioner McMasters.

Commissioner McMasters said, Mr. McCorkle. Mr. McCorkle said, yes sir. Commissioner McMasters said, I have to apologize. I didn't review your answers to these questions. Let me apologize for that. What sort of public meetings were held in this community or the affected community? Mr. McCorkle said, there were no public meetings. What we really did was make sure that we stayed away from the public areas, stayed away from homes. We —, Ms. Saxon owns a large piece of property, but we just chose an area not near people's houses. We were very careful to have our road out to 204 not go by people's houses because that many times creates dust in landfill or sand mining operations, so we're not within a football field of anybody's home. The closest people to us are about 350 feet away. The ordinance only requires a 75-foot buffer, but we have a minimum of a 300-foot buffer to everybody. So we did not anticipate that there would be any trouble and we don't think there will be. Commissioner McMasters asked, was there any specific notice to those adjacent property owners? Mr. McCorkle said, no. The ordinance didn't require it. Half of the property is owned by the lady who's leasing it to my client and her family lives on the site. So they certainly didn't care. There's been a sign posted for four weeks. I've not received a phone call and the ad went in the paper, but we're not close enough to anybody to require specific notices being sent out, and we honestly felt that we had done such a good job on the plan that we would not need to have a neighborhood meeting. Commissioner McMasters said, well, I understand that there is not a requirement, but if you're that confident with you plan, would it not have been neighborly and extremely thorough to maybe reach out beyond the requirements? Mr. McCorkle said, it may have been extremely thorough, but we did not do that.

Vice Chairman Thomas recognized Commissioner Kicklighter.

Commissioner Kicklighter said, I just want to ask Mr. McCorkle, do you know if —, will y'all be operating at night at all? Mr. McCorkle said, no. No. Commissioner Kicklighter said, I've gotten phone calls from some other area and they were complaining about dump trucks, so I was just curious about it.

Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Rayno made a motion to approve. Do we have a second? Commissioner Thomas said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes. Thank you, Mr. McCorkle.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Rayno moved to approve the petition of Phillip McCorkle, Agent (for Bessie Mae Saxon, Owner), requesting rezoning a 70.96-acre site located west of Fort Argyle Road, North of I-95, from an R-A (Residential-Agriculture) zoning classification to a PDR-SM (Planned Development-Reclamation-Surface Mining) zoning classification and approval of a general development plan. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 3. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A AMENDMENT TO THE CHATHAM COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE, ENVIRONMENTAL OVERLAY DISTRICT, TO CHANGE THE CURRENT 25 PERCENT GREENSPACE STANDARD FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY TO 30 PERCENT. THE MPC RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.
MPC FILE NO. Z-030812-59646-1
[TEXT AMENDMENT - UNINCORPORATED AREA.]**

Commissioner Murray said, I move to approve but I have one question. Commissioner Kicklighter said, second. Chairman Hair said, okay, your question. Commissioner Murray said, this has been going on for a number of months now. Does this put everything back on place that we thought we were putting in place back when we vote on this originally? Mr. Clyde Wester said, yes, it does. Commissioner Murray asked, we don't have any more changes to make? Mr. Wester said, no more changes. Commissioner Murray asked, no more screw-ups, this is it? Mr. Wester said, no more. And we apologize for what happened. It was the result of an oversight or error on our part. We'll make every attempt to make sure it doesn't happen again.

Chairman Hair said, don't [inaudible]. Don't hold back, okay. I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner Kicklighter said, we have a motion and second. Chairman Hair said, motion and second. All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to approve an amendment to the Chatham County Zoning Ordinance, Environmental Overlay District, to change the current 25 percent greenspace standard for non-residential development in the Islands community to 30 percent. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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XIII. INFORMATION CALENDAR

- 1. PROGRESS REPORT ON GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT - M&O AND THE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT (SEE ATTACHED).**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

A written report was received as information.

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2. LIST OF PURCHASING ITEMS BETWEEN \$2,500 AND \$9,999 (SEE ATTACHED).

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

A written report was received as information.

AGENDA ITEM: XIII-2
DATE: October 10, 2003

List of Purchasing Items between \$2,500 and \$9,999
 That Do Not Require Board Approval

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
Replace condenser unit on the A/C for the Law Library	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	Boaen Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$7,975	General Fund/M & O - Facilities Maintenance and Operations
Repairs to Bayliner boat engine	Marine Patrol	Savannah Outboard Services	\$5,110.07	General Fund/M & O - Marine Patrol
Seven (7) chain saws	Public Works and Park Services	Andy's Lawn Machinery, Inc.	\$3,583.72	SSD - Public Works
300 ton graded aggregate stone for various road repairs	Public Works and Park Services	Carroll & Carroll, Inc.	\$3,900	SSD - Public Works
3,500gl aviation fuel	Mosquito Control	Sommers Oil Company	\$5,600	General Fund/M & O - Mosquito Control
Fire extinguishers for helo/ fixed wing aircraft	Mosquito Control	Hendrix Enterprise, Inc.	\$3,152	General Fund/M & O - Mosquito Control
Basic service for satellite weather system	Mosquito Control	WSI, Inc.	\$3,540	General Fund/M & O - Mosquito Control
Land survey for Montgomery Street project	CIP	Coastal Surveying Co., Inc.	\$9,630	CIP - General Government Building
Annual rental of copy machine	Police	Coyle Business Products	\$5,700	SSD - Police
One (1) Dell Poweredge server	Administrative Services	Dell Marketing (state contract)	\$5,884.75	CIP - Administrative Services
Repair main hydraulic cylinder on excavator	Fleet Operations	Yancey Brothers Co., Inc.	\$3,600	General Fund/M & O - Fleet Operations
One (1) used 2002 Ford Focus for Assessor	SPLOST	J. C. Lewis Ford	\$8,620	SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement
One (1) used Mercury Sable for Facilities Maintenance and Operations	SPLOST	Fairway Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.	\$9,000	SPLOST (2003-2008) - Vehicle Replacement
Asbestos removal from County owned properties at 9502 & 9504 Middleground Road	SPLOST	Southern Tri (MBE)	\$5,376.60	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Middleground Road

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
Environmental site assessment, including review of data and report, meetings and delivery of three (3) copies of report	SPLOST	W.P.C.	\$6,521	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Westlake Drainage
Clearing and grubbing to expand borrow area for Litchfield Tract	SPLOST	T Clearing	\$8,900	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Hardin Canal
Earthwork for haul roads, wetlands mitigation bank for Litchfield Tract	SPLOST	T Clearing	\$9,466	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Hardin Canal
Survey of wetlands and wetlands plat for Henderson Drainage Canal	SPLOST	Thomas & Hutton Engineering	\$5,000	SPLOST (1998-2003) - Henderson Drainage Canal
Portable target system	Sheriff	Action Target, Inc.	\$3,249.85	General Fund/M & O - Sheriff
Soil sampling and metals testing for the Mother Mathilda Park property	Land Bank	Geotechnical and Environmental Consultants	\$4,068	Land Bank Authority

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3. STATUS ON THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR A CONSULTING FIRM TO ASSIST IN RECRUITING, MONITORING AND MANAGING MINORITY PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE SPLOST CONTRACTS.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

A written report was received as information.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion being made by Commissioner Murray, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and unanimously approved, the Board recessed at 11:00 a.m., to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation, land acquisition, and personnel.

Following adjournment of the Executive Session, the meeting of the Board of Commissioners was reconvened at 11:36 a.m.

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ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. REQUEST BOARD ACCEPT TIC PROPOSAL REGARDING SOUTH SPRINGFIELD CANAL PROJECT (JONATHAN HART).

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to authorize the Chairman to execute the documents required to accept the TIC proposal regarding the South Springfield Canal Project. Commissioners Kicklighter and Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, Murray, Odell, Gellatly, Kicklighter and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner McMasters voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of eight to one.

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- 2. **REQUEST BOARD AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A PROPERTY DAMAGE RELEASE IN SATISFACTION OF CHATHAM COUNTY’S CLAIM AGAINST LESLIE BARGER CBA TAXI WORLD FOR DAMAGE TO CHATHAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS’ SPRAY TRUCK (JONATHAN HART).**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to authorize the Chairman to execute a property damage release in the amount of \$1,226.34 in satisfaction of Chatham County’s claim against Leslie Barger CBA Taxi World for damage to Chatham County Public Works’ spray truck. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 3. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVE SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF INGER BOSTICK (JONATHAN HART).**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to approve the settlement of the claim of Inger Bostick by payment of six (6) weeks of employment totaling approximately \$2,500. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 4. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVE SETTLEMENT REGARDING BELLSOUTH PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM AND CHATHAM COUNTY EMPLOYEE JEROME HARRIS (JONATHAN HART).**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to approve the settlement regarding the BellSouth property damage claim and Chatham County employee Jerome Harris in the amount of \$5,335.32. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 5. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVE SETTLEMENT OF CHATHAM COUNTY, GA V. 0.181 ACRES OF LAND, 151.32 LINEAR FEET OF ACCESS RIGHTS, SUSAN B. REARDON AND ALETHIA SHELTON, AS CO-TRUSTEES OF THE WILLIAM A. REARDON SUPPLEMENTAL NEEDS TRUST-1996, CIVIL ACTION NO. CV02-0484-BA (CHARLIE BARROW).**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to approve settlement of Chatham County, GA v. 0.181 Acres of Land, 151.32 Linear Feet of Access Rights, Susan B. Reardon and Alethia Shelton, as Co-Trustees of the William A. Reardon Supplemental Needs Trust-1996, Civil Action No. CV02-0484-BA, in an amount up to \$325,000. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 6. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AFFIDAVIT THAT THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to authorize the Chairman to execute an affidavit that the Executive Session was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Law. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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APPOINTMENTS

1. CHATHAM-SAVANNAH AUTHORITY FOR THE HOMELESS

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to make the following appointments to the Chatham-Savannah Authority for the Homeless: Reappoint Ms. Carole Beason to a term which will expire June 9, 2006, and appoint Mr. Wes Crenshaw and Mr. Charles Lamas to terms which will expire June 9, 2005. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. CHATHAM COUNTY TREE COMMISSION

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to make the following appointments to the Chatham County Tree Commission: Appoint Ms. Jan S. VandenBulck, on behalf of the American Society of Landscape Architects, to a term which will expire April 1, 2007, and appoint Mr. Frank McIntosh, on behalf of the Georgia Conservancy, Coastal Chapter, to a term which will expire April 1, 2007. Commissioners McMasters and Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairman Hair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

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APPROVED: THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2003

DR. BILLY B. HAIR, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

SYBIL E. TILLMAN, COUNTY CLERK