

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA, HELD ON FRIDAY, JULY 9, 2004, 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 9:18 a.m., Friday, July 9, 2004.

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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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Chairman Hair welcomed the Youth Commissioners who were in attendance.

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V. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. PROCLAMATION FOR GREENBRIAR CHILDREN'S CENTER MONTH – GENA TAYLOR WILL BE PRESENT TO ACCEPT.

Chairman Hair read the following proclamation into the record:

WHEREAS, until the mid 1940's, orphaned black children who never committed a crime were sent to live in area penal farms and remained there until they reached legal age; and

WHEREAS, in 1943, five young black women of Gamma Sigma Omega chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha set out to improve the plight of these innocent lives and with the bequest of a well-known local woman, Adaline Graham, churches, support from the community and Jack Jones, a Chatham County Commissioner, the Greenbriar Children's Center was formed; and

WHEREAS, each year Greenbriar Children's Center serves nearly 2,000 children and family members of every ethnicity through its seven programs: Emergency Shelter, Residential Programs, Independent Living Programs, Runaway and Homeless, Family Preservation, Early Childhood Education and Project Safe Place; and

WHEREAS, fifty-five years later, Greenbriar continues to address critical community needs and through the dedication of volunteers, staff and board members, as well as public, private and community support, Greenbriar continues to carry out its mission of "nurturing children and strengthening families".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman, on behalf of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim July 2004 as:

"GREENBRIAR CHILDREN'S CENTER MONTH"

in Chatham County and express sincere appreciation for fifty-five years of dedicated service to the children and families of our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Chatham County, Georgia to be affixed this the 9th day of July 2004.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

ATTEST:

Sybil E. Tillman, Clerk

Ms. Gena Taylor said, good morning. On behalf of the board, the staff, the children, all of our volunteers of Greenbriar Children's Center, we want to say thank you for this proclamation. We also want to say thank you for your continued support of Greenbriar and the children and the services that we provide to the families that we serve. Thank you.

Chairman Hair said, if you haven't seen the beautiful new building out at Greenbriar, I was out there for the dedication and it's a really, really great addition to your operation out there.

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2. PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – COLONEL OLIVER BE PRESENT TO ACCEPT.

Chairman Hair said, I think Colonel Oliver and the Chief, if you'll join me down front.

Chairman Hair read the following proclamation into the record:

WHEREAS, National Night Out, a unique nation-wide crime prevention program, is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, a non-profit organization dedicated to the development and promotion of organized, law enforcement-affiliated crime and drug prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, the 21st Annual National Night Out provides the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department an opportunity to join forces with citizens of this and other communities across the country in fighting crime and drugs and promoting public safety; and

WHEREAS, National Night Out is an event that brings neighborhoods, businesses, schools, local government and law enforcement together to promote cooperative police/community crime prevention efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman, on behalf of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim, Tuesday, August 3 2004:

“NATIONAL NIGHT OUT”

in Chatham County and urge all citizens to participate in the main kick-off in Daffin Park.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Chatham County, Georgia to be affixed this the 9th day of July 2004.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

ATTEST:

Sybil E. Tillman, Clerk

Chief Dan Flynn said, thank you very much. If I may, National Night Out has been up until this point, until we recently merged the police departments, has been predominantly a City of Savannah event and it's been a very positive thing for our community. Last year, in fact, the main gathering was at Daffin Park and we had well over a thousand people there and the communities of various sizes across the country are rated and basically compete for how positive, how big, how effective of a National Night Out can we have and we won number one in the nation for a community of our size last year. A very positive event with folks from all quarters of our community coming together and basically committing and acknowledging our joint commitment against illegal drugs and crime, and it was just a very positive thing. So this year we've now expanded it, we've invited full participation from the County, and invite and hope to have everyone there, and we have some samples of some of the literature and things that we give out to promote National Night Out. It's just a very positive thing and, you know, we'll —, there will be a large meeting in Daffin Park with some displays there of various things in the public safety community will come and display different things that we use, different tools and strategies and organizations that come together to fight crime, and have some opportunity for —, make some speeches, talking about our commitment against crime, and then move on from there we have trolleys that go out to individual community gatherings that —, where individual communities and neighborhoods have their own gatherings and that's following the main gathering, and we generally go out from there on the trolleys and visit each one of those and have a chance to talk with folks in each of those neighborhoods. So we're looking forward to it and we thank you very much for the proclamation.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Chief. I think we have some goodies for the Commissioners here. Thank you.

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VI. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

None.

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VII. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

1. UPDATE ON YOUTH COMMISSION PARTNERSHIP WITH CITY OF SAVANNAH (COMMISSIONER THOMAS).

Chairman Hair said, I'm going to call on Dr. Thomas to explain that.

Commissioner Thomas said, thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission. I am delighted to have this opportunity to share with you this morning another step taken by the Chatham County Youth Commission. We have entered into a partnership with the City of Savannah. As you know, the Mayor in his deliberations during the time that he was running for Mayor made a commitment to the youth that he would try to establish a youth commission at the City's level. This does not usurp anything that the Chatham County Commission —, Youth Commission are doing. What it is —, what is going to happen is that our young people are going to serve as mentors to this new group and give them all the support that they will need. The City will also model their program after the Chatham County Youth Commission's concept and everything and so we're just delighted that this is taking place and we had a great number of our Youth Commissioners present at the press conference, I think two days ago, and I'm going to ask Alderman Van Johnson if he would just very quickly give you some more input on that.

Alderman Johnson said, good morning, Dr. Thomas, gentlemen. We're quite excited about it because it's an opportunity for us to meet some needs and to further expand Dr. Thomas' vision about youth empowerment. This will be called the Savannah Youth Council. It will be modeled after the Savannah City Council and it will focus on junior high school and

middle school kids, so it supplements and partners what we're doing here at the County with the Chatham County Youth Commission. And, quite frankly, when —, the Youth Commission held in October, I believe, a mayoral forum and basically you had every candidate that was running for mayor to commit to our young people that they would commit —, that they would start some type of initiative at the City's level and basically Mayor Johnson is following through on his promise. So we're excited about it. He certainly had nothing but high praise for our program and being a national model, as you already know, that works and so he feels no need to reinvent the wheel. So he is certainly taking Dr. Thomas' vision and you all's leadership in this and putting his force behind having the City having something to address the needs of our young people in middle school ages.

Commissioner Thomas said, and then one last thing. The funding for this program through the City will come through the City. It will not come through the County.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Kicklighter.

Commissioner Kicklighter asked, will children from outside of Savannah be involved or just Savannah or —? Alderman Johnson said, the City of Savannah. Commissioner Kicklighter said, okay. Is it the County's plans for this to feed right into the countywide? Commissioner Thomas said, hopefully. Commissioner Kicklighter said, okay. Will that still leave room on the Youth Commission for Chatham County for people outside of Savannah? Commissioner Thomas said, oh, yeah, because —. Alderman Johnson said, the difference is just that it how they're nominated because the Youth Commission here are nominated from the schools —. Commissioner Thomas said, right. Alderman Johnson said, — it will always remain countywide. There will be some kids that will make the transition from the Youth Council to the Youth Commission, but it won't be a total transformation. It will still be two independent programs. They'll just share some kids. Commissioner Kicklighter said, okay, because I know —.

Chairman Hair said, it actually is going to serve different age groups —. Commissioner Thomas said, exactly, six to eight. Chairman Hair said, and our Youth Commission will actually serve as mentors of —. The City's program is targeted more toward the younger middle school —. Commissioner Thomas said, yeah. Chairman Hair said, — where ours is targeted for high school. Commissioner Thomas said, right. Chairman Hair said, so they will blend in quite nicely —. Commissioner Thomas said, exactly. Chairman Hair said, — and it's really two different targets that we're after. Commissioner Thomas said, exactly, that's the idea. Alderman Johnson said, an excellent example of collaboration. Chairman Hair said, yes.

Commissioner Kicklighter said, yeah, I read the article and I thought it was great. I just wanted to make sure our Westside folks could still come in.

Commissioner Odell said, I have just one question. Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Odell. Commissioner Odell asked, Van [Johnson], is it possible to contact the other municipalities? I know that this program is an excellent program and I think our program is an excellent program. To contact the other municipalities perhaps they could do a separate pool and do the funding accordingly, but it would all be coordinated under one program. Alderman Johnson said, that's an excellent idea. Commissioner Odell asked, you think? Alderman Johnson said, yes sir. Commissioner Thomas said, that's the intent is to —. Chairman Hair said, thank you. Commissioner Thomas said, — go widespread, give more communities an opportunity.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Van [Johnson], we appreciate your support.

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CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

The Board recessed as the County Commission at 9:30 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 9:48 a.m.

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VIII. TABLED/POSTPONED ITEMS

in your agenda packet. The files are available from the Clerk. Those on which staff is requesting action are indicated by asterisk (*).

1. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE COASTAL GEORGIA GREENWAY THROUGH-CORRIDOR ROUTE THAT LIES WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION. [ALL DISTRICTS.] Tabled at meeting of April 16, 2004. (See memo of the 6th of May responding to additional questions on this matter). *At meeting of May 14, 2004, item was tabled to the first meeting in July. Note: Request this be delayed until the July 23, 2004, August 13, 2004, meeting.***

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

This item was not untabled and placed before the Commissioners for consideration.

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*** 2. RUNAWAY POINT PARK ISSUES. (Tabled at meeting of May 28, 2004.)**

Chairman Hair said, I'll call on Commissioner McMasters to take Item #2 off the table. Commissioner McMasters said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Rayno said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hair asked, Commissioner McMasters, you are satisfied now? That's why we're taking it off the table? Commissioner McMasters said, yes. Chairman Hair said, he's got all his questions answered —. Commissioner McMasters said, yes. Chairman Hair said, and they've already had a groundbreaking on this, and so that's why we're taking it off the table. Thank you.

Chairman Hair said, that's takes us to Items for Individual Action —. Ms. Jo Hickson said, pardon me. Wasn't Hinesley-Hickson supposed to be able to make a statement? Chairman Hair said, it's not on my agenda to take anything off the table today but that one. I don't know of any reason to take the other ones off the table. Are you? County Manager Abolt said, no sir. Commissioner Kicklighter said, she's talking about on that issue. County Manager Abolt said, a few meetings ago I think she wanted to make a statement. At that time she was not present so —. Ms. Hickson said, that's incorrect. I was present and Commissioner McMasters was not and I was asked to come at this meeting to present. Chairman Hair said, well, it's up to the Board if y'all want to take it off the table to allow Ms. Hickson to speak or —, it's up to —. Commissioner Thomas said, I think we should allow her to speak. Chairman Hair said, we need to take it off the table if you're going to do that.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to take it off the table. Commissioner Murray said, I move that we take it off the table. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Odell said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Chairman Hair and Commissioners 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 seven to one. [NOTE: Commissioner Rivers was not present when this vote was taken.] Chairman Hair said, the motion passes. [NOTE: The foregoing motion was a moot issue because the item had previously been untabled by a motion made by Commissioner McMasters, seconded by Commissioner Rayno and unanimously approved.]

Chairman Hair recognized Ms. Hickson.

Ms. Jo Hickson said, Commissioners, I do have a packet here I wanted to leave with your Clerk and if you will distribute these. This is the record that's on Hinesley-Hickson Association and also including comments from Chatham County staff about the issues raised at the May 14th meeting by Commissioner McMasters. I'd like to read to you just a brief statement concerning Hinesley-Hickson Association's work on Runaway Point Park. In the interest of brevity we will not read the entire project history, which records the direction given to Hinesley-Hickson Association by Chatham County staff. Instead, in the documents presented we present our conclusions based on our project records and meeting reports, and ask that you read this memorandum in answer to the specific issues raised May 14th. We do wish to highlight, however, some of the key project meetings and events beginning with our October 1, 2003, meeting with Chatham County staff and Commissioner McMasters. Based on the information presented at the meeting, Hinesley-Hickson Association was given verbal notice to proceed with Phase II design. At the meeting Valerie Hinesley reviewed the existing building plans and presented several alternative building layouts from the manufacturer of Poligon for the picnic/restroom building and central pavilion for the county's selection to address Al Lipsey's comments from a previous meeting. The site plans, alternative building layouts, cost estimates and work descriptions presented at this meeting all described the buildings as Building One - a double hexagon 36-foot picnic shelter with restroom; Building Two - a hexagon shaped 44-foot concession, restroom and picnic shelter, and Building Three - a hexagon 28-foot picnic shelter.

Ms. Hickson said, on December 3, 2003, three sets of construction plans, including the buildings just described with specifications included on the plans, were submitted to Al Lipsey for review for Chatham County. He was asked to have County staff review the plans and inform Hinesley-Hickson of any revisions required prior to bidding. That was in accordance with the schedule that the plans would be completed by December 1.

On February 20, 2004, Valerie Hinesley and Jo Hickson attended a meeting with Al Lipsey and Harry McDonald to receive the staff review comments. Note: The owner did not review plans on a timely basis resulting in excessive delays in the project. In fact, the review time —, three months from December 3rd until December 20th [sic] —, exceeded the amount of time taken for design.

On March 30, 2004, Valerie Hinesley met with Harry McDonald, who instructs here to complete all changes to the plans discussed previously. However, she is also directed to remove all three buildings from the contract documents — to facilitate construction of Phase II in stages —, and to change building layouts to a rectangular outline to be noted as "not in contract" because the County did not wish to use the current building plans. Hinesley-Hickson met with the owner three times prior to completing the 90% construction documents to review and discuss the design concepts and plans. It was not until four months later in the design process that the owner requested another type of building.

Background: In 1997 bids were received for the construction of Phase 1 Runaway Point Park designed by Hinesley-Hickson Association. The construction plans included a double hex 36-foot picnic shelter with a restroom manufactured

by Poligon Structures, Inc. These construction plans were reviewed and approved by Chatham County staff prior to bidding. The bid prices for the building were higher than the Phase 1 budget allowed so this item was deducted from the contract at that time and the building was not constructed in Phase 1. Chatham County Engineer's office handled weekly construction inspections for this project and did not require that the contractor prepare as-built plans at the completion of construction. Chatham County requested Hinesley-Hickson Association provide only limited services during construction, which included review of change orders, shop drawing review, and attendance at the pre-final and final inspections.

The design contract for the Triplett Park restroom building, part of another contract between Hinesley-Hickson Association and Chatham County, was begun in July 2001. This is noted because it was stated by the County staff that it was the County's original design intent to base the Runaway Point Park restroom building on that of Triplett Park, but the plans for the restroom building at Runaway Point Park [sic] were prepared and approved four years previous to the design of the Runaway Point Park [sic] restroom building. Use of the Triplett Park restroom building as basis for design at Runaway Point Park was not discussed until four months after the 90% complete construction documents were completed and given to County staff for review.

Conclusions: I have in the material that you have in front of you a synopsis of all of the meetings that we conducted with staff. I also have staff comments to us with the exception of some from Pat Monahan that I inadvertently did not get copied this morning, and I ask that the Clerk copy these comments and add them to your information as well for a complete picture of the staff and Hinesley-Hickson Association meetings.

On any design project both the owner, Chatham County, and the designer have certain responsibilities. We believe that the information provided herein demonstrates that Hinesley-Hickson Association performed the work requested in good faith and under difficult circumstances and, as a result, provided additional services due to delays and revisions caused by the owner's failure to perform their responsibilities. Some of the problems encountered are highlighted as follows:

Hinesley-Hickson Association was asked to prepare the design for Phase II of Runaway Point Park on a very tight schedule which we did our best to meet providing the 90% construction documents by December 3rd, including working over the Thanksgiving holiday to complete the work. But then Chatham County did not review plans on a timely basis, resulting in excessive delays in the project. In fact, the review time from December 3rd to February 20th exceeded the amount of time taken for design.

2. Incomplete or non-existent review of preliminary plans and other design documents, including design fees, notes, details, construction estimates, specifications, work descriptions, et cetera, resulted in Chatham County claiming not to understand the proposed construction design and materials of the buildings. These items were clearly shown on the submitted documents and discussed at our first meeting on September 23, 2003, at which the Phase 1 building plans were reviewed. Hinesley-Hickson Association met with Chatham County three times prior to completing the 90% construction documents to review and discuss the design concepts and plans. It was not until four months later in the design process that Chatham County requested another type of building. The building type desired for this project should have been clearly defined by Chatham County before Hinesley-Hickson Association was requested to provide a design fee for the project.

Based on the information discussed in the pre-design —, this is Conclusion 3. Based on the information discussed in the pre-design meeting, we provided Chatham County with a very reasonable fee for design services, but excessive delays and changes caused by Chatham County have resulted in our spending many more hours than budgeted to complete this work, including extra meetings and reports, plan revisions and changes in scope of work, preparation of additional services proposals and design concepts.

The staff persons responsible —, this is Item 4. The staff persons responsible for this project changed at various stages in the project. For example, Al Lipsey was our primary contact from September 2003 until Harry McDonald attended his first meeting for the project on February 20, 2004. Harry McDonald then began questioning components of the design which had been discussed and accepted by Al Lipsey during the pre-design phase of the project. It is important for Chatham County to maintain one person as the client representative throughout the project.

Item 5. Chatham County representatives have tried to put the blame for the delays in this project on Hinesley-Hickson Association by trying to make several minor issues appear to be major. Two issues identified were that Hinesley-Hickson Association did not include in our design fee an as-built survey to confirm topography and utilities and did not include the services of a structural engineer for the pre-engineered buildings. The as-built survey was not included because of the tight design and construction schedule that Chatham County told us was needed for this project, and we felt based on our site inspection of current conditions and previous experience with the project that the survey would not be needed because all grading and drainage work was performed during Phase 1. In fact, the survey that Chatham County later performed confirmed this professional judgment. We did not include the services of a structural engineer to stamp the park building plans because in 1997 Chatham County did not require this information for this type of building and we made the incorrect assumption that it would not be needed now. Once this request was made Hinesley-Hickson Association immediately provided Chatham County with several options to satisfy this requirement, including having the manufacturer provide structural certification on the contractor-provided shop drawings — that would mean no delays and no additional design costs —, and obtained a fee from a structural engineer to review the plans. It has also been pointed out that the County Engineer's Office identified eight items to be addressed on the plans. This is a normal and expected part of the design process and the majority of the comments were relatively minor or were questions resulting from the reviewer's lack of background information on the project.

We are available to meet with Chatham County to discuss these issues and review the documentation in our files with Chatham County staff. Excuse me. Also to negotiate a reasonable settlement of our additional services incurred on the Runaway Point Park project.

Ms. Hickson said, and that is a response to the May 14th. Also, on May 28th there were several issues raised concerning the Savannah-Ogeechee Canal and —, let's see [inaudible] responses here —, actually they had to do with the interpretive signage and the fact that the Canal Society thought that the interpretive signage had been constructed. It has not. The interpretive —, the text and message for the signs had been completed. We had gotten a request from contractors for construction and we were told by Chatham County staff —, that was in your packet there, I don't have mine in front of me today on that —, about a year ago not to proceed with construction at that time. This —, we had included Canal Society a review of the information there. The information was presented at their dedication ceremony of the historic marker. That was in May or June of last year, and at that time we did receive some comments from them and included them in the interpretive sign messages. I had included a copy to Chatham County for the current text criticized including that revised text, and I understand that the staff and the leadership of the Canal Society has changed since it was reviewed last, and I submitted to you to submit to them for their review. I will note that the information on that —, the sign text came from Dr. Mort Findley [phonetic], who completed the historic register application that was acceptable and the district is now a historic district as a result of his work, and he is the noted local historian and he was hired by our firm to work with the archeologist in preparing the history of the canal. The text for the signs comes directly from his report. So any changes that are suggested by the Canal Society, I would review with Dr. Findley for accuracy.

The other information had to do with incorrect —, some errors that were on the historic engineering record drawings and in particular the ones that are mounted downstairs and had those —, there were some errors there on the National Park Service who were hired by our firm to conduct the study. We'll be submitting revised drawings to me and upon receipt of those I will make the corrections to the art that is hanging downstairs. If there are any other questions, I —.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Ms. Hickson. Ms. Hickson said, thank you for the opportunity to respond. Chairman Hair said, thank you. We appreciate that. We'll take this and we'll have staff review it and —. County Manager Abolt said, if I could have a copy —. Chairman Hair said, it's certainly not appropriate for us to discuss in detail today, but we appreciate you coming today and —. Ms. Hickson said, I understand, and I do appreciate the opportunity to meet with staff and would like to have a meeting to discuss. Chairman Hair said, I'm sure that will be arranged. Mr. Abolt will make sure that happens. County Manager Abolt said, yes sir. Chairman Hair said, thank you, Ms. Hickson. We appreciate you being here today. I apologize for the confusion on the agenda.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner McMasters moved to untable the item regarding Runaway Point Park issues. Commissioner Rayno seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A moot motion was also made by Commissioner Murray and seconded by Commissioner Odell to untable the item regarding Runaway Point Park issues. Chairman Hair and Commissioners McMasters, Murray, Odell, Gellatly, Kicklighter and Thomas voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Rayno voted in opposition and the motion carried by a vote of seven to one. [NOTE: Commissioner Rivers was not present.]

Ms. Jo Hickson then made a statement on behalf of the work performed by Hinesley-Hickson Association.

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3. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL OF A PLAN TO INSTALL A TRAFFIC MONITORING CAMERA AT KING GEORGE BOULEVARD AND ABERCORN STREET FOR PURPOSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND DESIGNATE FUNDS FROM VIOLATIONS INTO A RESTRICTED ACCOUNT FOR THE SAVANNAH-CHATHAM METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT. (Tabled at meeting of May 28, 2004, to enable staff to schedule meeting with neighborhood associations to obtain their input.)**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

This item was not untabled and placed before the Commissioners for consideration.

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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 APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING: AN AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL FUND M&O FY2004 BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE \$18,000 IN BRAIN/SPINAL**

TRUST FUND REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE THIS AMOUNT TO THE BRAIN/SPINAL TRUST FUND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT; TRANSFERS WITHIN DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS AS FOLLOWS: HUMAN RESOURCES \$5,000 FROM SALARIES AND WAGES TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT, RECREATION \$53,100 FROM SALARIES AND WAGES TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR RENTAL OF A MODULAR UNIT, PUBLIC WORKS \$51,000 FROM SALARIES AND WAGES TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR RENTAL OF A MODULAR UNIT, LIVE OAK PUBLIC LIBRARY ~~\$320,630~~ FROM PERSONAL SERVICES AND OTHER LINE ITEMS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A REQUEST TO PAY EXPENDITURES DURING FY2004; AN AMENDMENT TO THE STREET LIGHTING FUND TO RECOGNIZE \$75,000 IN ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE AN EQUAL AMOUNT FOR EXPENDITURE; A GENERAL FUND M&O CONTINGENCY TRANSFER OF \$30,000 FOR JUVENILE COURT SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS; AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUND TO RECOGNIZE THE TRANSFER IN OF \$30,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND M&O FOR JUVENILE COURT SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS.

Chairman Hair said, as I stated earlier, Commissioner Rayno in the pre-meeting suggested that we take out the Live Oaks Public [Library] funding for \$320,000 [sic] and delay it until the 23rd so that they can have a meeting, I think, with the media at Carnegie Library. Chairman Hair read the item to be considered into the record.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner Murray said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Rivers said, second. Commissioner Thomas said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The motion carried unanimously. [NOTE: Commissioner Kicklighter was not present when this vote was taken.] Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to approve the following: An amendment to the General Fund M&O FY2004 budget to recognize \$18,000 in Brain/Spinal Trust Fund revenue and appropriate this amount to the Brain/Spinal Trust Fund expenditure account; transfers within departmental budgets as follows: Human Resources \$5,000 from salaries and wages to provide funding for the Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Agreement, Recreation \$53,100 from salaries and wages to provide funding for rental of a modular unit, Public Works \$51,000 from salaries and wages to provide funding for rental of a modular unit; an amendment to the Street Lighting Fund to recognize \$75,000 in additional revenue and appropriate an equal amount for expenditure; a General Fund M&O contingency transfer of \$30,000 for Juvenile Court security improvements; and an amendment to the Capital Improvement Program fund to recognize the transfer in of \$30,000 from the General Fund M&O for Juvenile Court security improvements. Commissioners Rivers and Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. [NOTE: Commissioner Kicklighter was not present when this vote was taken.]

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2. PUBLIC HEARING AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW ON THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO LEVY A MILLAGE RATE THAT EXCEEDS THE CALCULATED "ROLLBACK" MILLAGE RATE FOR AD VALOREM TAX PURPOSES

Chairman Hair said, now we will have our third and final public hearing as required by State law on the County's intent to levy a millage rate that exceeds the calculated rollback millage rate for ad valorem tax purposes. At this time I'll open the public hearing and ask anyone that wants to speak to the budget issue to come forward and state your name for the record. And I will ask you to try to keep your remarks brief because we may have a number of people that wants to speak. So does anyone want to address the budget issues in the public hearing? Come forward please.

Ms. Debbie Kennedy said, good morning, Commissioners, Mr. Chairman. Yesterday I —. Chairman Hair said, I need you to state your name for the record and who you represent. Ms. Kennedy said, Union Mission, Inc. Chairman Hair said, okay, and your name. Ms. Kennedy said, Debbie Kennedy. We —, the well numbered who are sitting before you are asking for the Commissioners' support —, to support the proposal to include the County's guarantee of a 20-year bond to be used for the renovation of Union Mission's Fox Appliance property. This property once renovated will be used as the primary site for substance abuse and adult mental health services in Chatham County. Please include this in your fiscal year budget. Yesterday on Capitol Hill in the Senate, there was a plea to gain support to a bill related to preventing suicide. The senator for Oregon gave a tearful appeal telling the story of his own son who took his life just hours before his 22nd birthday. This bill now gives attention to the problems of mental illness and that bill passed. Well, I don't have a story like that, but I do know of a homeless person who is so because of a significant other who wanted to be through with this person because he didn't want to catch cancer. There are many levels of mental illness from varying degrees of social order. Homelessness crosses all: suits, skirts, diapers, no-wash jeans. So from where I sit I see this as a no-brainer. Please do not say no to this again, lightening Georgia's black eye regarding its mental health agenda. It may take 20 years to brighten this scar. It's all part of a much larger picture. Chatham County withdrew support of \$400,000 annually when Gateway

assumed responsibility for services as a protest of not having local control. Memorial Health University has agreed to match the County's contribution of \$2,000,000 for the renovations of the property with \$500,000 representing a private sector match to further enhance the state of the art facility that was built and with the necessary addition to the dental facilities, how could you say no to this? Please do not say no. Commissioner McMasters, I'll give these to you for future consideration. Of course, Commissioner Odell, you can have some as well. Thank you for listening.

Chairman Hair said, thank you. Appreciate you being here. Anyone else? Come forward, sir. To speed it up, if you go ahead —, if you want to speak, you can come and go ahead and sit on the front row, this will speed it up a lot.

Mr. Willie Paine [[phonetic] said, good morning to Commissioner Hair and our fellow Commissioners. I'm here to support the —. Chairman Hair said, state your name for the record please. Mr. Paine said, oh, yeah. My name is Willie Paine. I'm pretty sure everybody knows me. I'm here to support the incident that the lady just talked about. When you talk about a permanent [inaudible] mental health, you know, it's really real bad, but I was in that stage when I used to go to Tideland and I also [inaudible], I used to go right here to Union Mission and I used to get help and our support, I mean, I would like for y'all to support this because mental health is a serious problem all over Chatham County, like the lady was talking about a man committing suicide, you know, and I think we need, you know, we need good mental health right here in Savannah and I think that if the Union Mission was to take over this program, I think the program will be rather well because a lot of times I have mental health, you know, I have a problem I go down there and see them. I just hope y'all will consider this because we really do need help in Chatham County to stop mental health.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, Willie. Thank you, sir. We appreciate you being here. Anyone else? Okay, I will —. The next gentleman who approached the podium to speak played the following tape recording: Hello, my name is Howard and this is my story. Ten years ago I was a popular 31-year-old construction worker and radio DJ with a beautiful fiancée. I was also widely known as a successful drug dealer. Even though I spent four years in jail for it, I enjoyed the money and lifestyle that dealing brought me. I was able to buy nice cars, a motorcycle and live in a nice house on Wilmington Island. One evening I had arranged a time and place for a drug deal; however, I did not realize that this deal would be my last. I went with my twin brother to the alley where the deal would take place. My brother served as the lookout man in case police were around. I entered the alley by myself and was jumped by three individuals with intent to rob and kill me over an existing family feud. I was robbed and severely beaten with aluminum baseball bats and left for dead. Eventually my brother found me and called for help. I was taken to the hospital where I remained in a coma for one year. While in the coma I suffered three strokes which left me paralyzed on the right side of my body and disabled my vocal cords. After awakening from my coma and receiving rehabilitation, I went home to live with my grandmother. I had lost everything: my fiancée, my friends, my money, my job and my voice. I lived with my grandmother for five years and left when she became too sick to care for my. I moved in with friends and began using drugs like cocaine, crack, marijuana and heroin. I also drank heavily to forget the pain. Drugs and alcohol became my release from the stress and frustration I was trying to deal with. I became hopeless and started moving in the homeless shelters until I found Union Mission. At Union Mission I learned how to understand my addiction and went through recovery. It has been a rough road with a couple of relapses, but I have found my safety net at Union Mission. I lived there at the Grace House Emergency Shelter for Men for two years and then I moved into transitional housing and now I live by myself in my own apartment. I go to the AA and Narcotics Anonymous meetings every week and volunteer with Union Mission at least four times a week. I especially like to help out with the children in the shelter. No child should be without hope and I try to be a good role model. I also like to help work with the youth in the service learning [inaudible]. Thanks for listening to my story. I hope it gave you hope and something to think about. I also hope you have learned from my mistakes and my recovery.

Chairman Hair said, thank you, sir. Anyone else that wants to speak at the public hearing? If not, I declare the public hearing closed.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

No action was taken at this public hearing, but comments were received from several members of the public.

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3. REQUEST BOARD APPROVE A RESOLUTION CLARIFYING THE MILLAGE LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2004, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2005.

Chairman Hair said, this is basically required by the auditors to specify that we have a fiscal year rather than a calendar year. I'll entertain a motion to approve.

Commissioner Thomas said, move for approval. 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 approve a resolution clarifying the millage levy for Fiscal Year July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005. Commissioner Odell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COUNTY OF CHATHAM) IN RE: TAX EVY YEAR 2004

WHEREAS, the millage levy approved on July 9, 2004 is for the calendar year 2004 which pays for costs in the six months period from January 1, 2004 through June 30, 2004, and the first six months (July 1 through December 31, 2004) of the new fiscal year ending June 30, 2005: and

WHEREAS, taxes are billed in two installments, which are due June 1st and November 15th each year; and

WHEREAS, the second six month's operations (January 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005 will be billed using one half of the millage rates approved July 9, 2004 based on assessed values on January 1, 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Chatham County do hereby clarify the year 2004 Millage Levy in accordance with this resolution.

APPROVED THIS 9TH DAY OF JULY 2004, IN OPEN COURT.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

ATTEST:

Sybil Tillman, County Clerk

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4. REQUEST BOARD ADOPT THE FY2005 BUDGET RESOLUTIONS FOR CHATHAM COUNTY BASED ON LEVEL 2, WILL REQUIRE AMENDMENTS. FURTHER NOTE, THIS IS AGENDA ITEM THAT WILL ADOPT BUDGET. IT ALSO INCLUDES OTHER ACTIONS SUCH AS APPROVING THE FINANCIAL STRATEGIES, INCREASING THE OVERHEAD PAYMENTS FROM SSD TO M&O, AMENDS FEES CHARGED BY BUILDING SAFETY AND REGULATORY SERVICES, FORMALIZES DOLLAR INCREASE IN REFUSE TIPPING FEE.

County Manager Abolt said, Mr. Chairman, this is, as you read, the one action that will adopt the budget requiring amendments. Excuse me, we did say Level 2 because that was the budget proposal. So if there's a desire to put forward a strategy —. [NOTE: There was a brief interruption when the recording of the gentleman named Howard began to play again as he was departing the meeting room.] County Manager Abolt said, the long and the short of it is that with the exception of the M&O budget, you have a document staff believes you can act on today. To date, we have not seen any proposal that is workable in our estimation when it comes to M&O.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Murray.

Commissioner Murray said, we've sent in two different proposals, one last Friday and that one had some obvious changes that had to be made to it based on some numbers that were picked up on. I revised that and sent another one and, if I'm not mistaken, where staff has a problem with it is the revenue side of it, and the revenue side, assumptions used on that on the revenue were based on the last four years of averaging out and what I felt like was real conservative figures. That is one reason that this only went out in the packets last night because I did not have everything finalized until yesterday. I did not have time because of some other problems yesterday to sit down with staff and go through it, but I would certainly like to open this up for anybody that had a chance to go through, at least let's discuss it and talk about it.

Chairman Hair said, I'd like to start out. —Commissioner Thomas asked, may I —, when did this —? Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Thomas.

Commissioner Thomas asked, when did this go out because, I mean, I haven't —, I do not have a copy and have not seen a copy. Commissioner Murray said, well, the first one went out last Friday and this —. Commissioner Thomas said, and I don't—. Commissioner Murray said, this one with the changes and amendments to it after everything was done actually went out with the packet yesterday. Commissioner Thomas said, well, I saw those changes yesterday coming from the office, but I haven't seen the other. Is there a copy somewhere where I could —? Commissioner Murray said, certainly we can get you a copy, but I —. You did not get it in your packet? Commissioner Thomas said, no, I did not. Commissioner Murray asked, did anyone else not receive one in their packet? We'll get you a copy. Commissioner Thomas said, thank you.

Chairman Hair said, I would like to put this budget proposal in perspective, and I'd like to go back two years ago. This budget will pass today and the votes to pass it will be the same votes that two years ago passed the budget after being told several times that the budget would not stand muster, that we would be sued if we passed that budget two years ago, we would get an out-of-town judge, and we would lose. All three of those things happened and Chatham County taxpayers paid over \$100,000 in legal fees for the privilege of restoring the budget that everyone knew would not pass muster in the

courts of law. Now I don't want to confuse and excite the media, but let me tell you what's wrong with this budget proposal. The budget proposal, the first budget proposal was sent out, I got mine —, heard about it on Monday. This budget proposal was given to the public, given to the press. I did not receive a copy, Dr. Thomas did not receive a copy. I don't know who else did not receive a copy, but I know the two of us did not. This budget proposal that was given, that was described by one Commissioner in the paper as being an awesome budget, was \$2.7 million out of balance when it arrived at the *Savannah Morning News*, but it was presented as a balanced budget. My 92-year-old mother tells me repeatedly if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. What you have before you today is a budget that promises all things to all people. It gives the constitutional officers money they need, it gives the departments what they need, it gives the Bamboo Farm and it gives the library money. The problem with it is when that error was pointed out by staff, which did not receive the budget until the press, the public received it, if —, they found out that they had a \$2.7 million gap to close up. Now think about this as to what your options are. Well, I can go back and I can say, well, we've got to cut \$2.7 million now and we've got to slash departments and we've got to make a lot of people upset and mad or we can see if we can find additional revenue without raising the millage rate because heaven forbid we'd want to do that. And so what happened was they'd just go to the revenue side of the budget and they just pulled numbers to balance the budget, and we have in front of us today a memo from our professional staff that we pay, probably don't pay well enough, but we pay pretty good bucks to, that says that this revenue that's being assumed to balance this budget is risky business because there is no guarantee that the funds that are assumed to be there are going to be there to pass the budget, and my suggestion —, I see a number of supporters of the library and the Bamboo Farm out there —, and this budget passes today, I have suggestion for you. You'd better spend the money quick because what's going to happen after November when this revenue is not going to be there to support the expenditures, the budget axe is going to fall and then we're going to pay the price for passing a budget that is based on revenue —. If this revenue was there, why wasn't it proposed on Monday? It was only proposed after the \$2.7 million error was discovered and so from Monday until Thursday \$2.7 million of revenue shows up. It just shows up. It wasn't there on Monday. It wasn't in the Monday's proposal. It was only in Thursday's proposal when the \$2.7 error was discovered. There is no way on God's green earth that I can support this budget. It's smoke and mirrors. It will not carry this County to provide the necessary services through the remaining twelve months. I'll call on anybody else that would like to comment.

Commissioner Kicklighter said, I just —, I want to —. Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Kicklighter. Commissioner Kicklighter said, I just want to say that's why, and I told Russ [Abolt] on the phone, that's why I thought the first budget was awesome because it had everybody and it did it all, but I think the second one is good, but not awesome.

Chairman Hair recognized County Manager Abolt.

County Manager Abolt said, if I may, too, to clarify our analysis which did go out to you last night, and I appreciate Commissioner Murray talking to us about and realize it's difficult sometimes to complete the work that staff should do, but beyond just the revenue which you've described, we do have in an analysis which was attached if we look at the expenditures that we see an imbalance there of about \$6.3 million. So if you do assume that the revenues we're talking about are there, there would still be an imbalance based on as we understand this proposal.

Commissioner Murray said, no, Russ [Abolt], not from what I understood when I talked to Linda [Cramer] this morning. That is based on those revenues that we are —, the assumption of revenues we put in there not using those. Ms. Cramer said, no, you still —, you would still need those revenues. I think you're still out of balance, so I may have misunderstood your question this morning. I know you changed one of the numbers, and again I think our main concern with it was that the additional property tax revenue we have not seen a pattern for that in the past and we didn't feel like that revenue was available, the \$5.4 million.

Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Odell has a question or a comment.

Commissioner Odell said, just a question for Jon [Hart]. Jon [Hart], as a Commission can we pass a budget which is not balanced? County Attorney Hart said, no sir. Commissioner Odell said, and for the general public, why is that? County Attorney Hart said, because the State law requires us to run a balanced budget. Commissioner Odell asked, so if the budget is short \$6.3 million, and even though good intentions often is the slippery slope to Hell, what is the impact of our passing a budget which is out of balance \$6.3 million? County Attorney Hart said, well, the law doesn't permit you to do that, number one, but if you do that —. Commissioner Odell said, knowingly to do that. County Attorney Hart said, — then you have to report to the State Revenue Department and there is a procedure prescribed by law which the State Revenue Department came come down and force compliance and, you know, you have to sit down and research that a little bit more thoroughly. Commissioner Odell said, so ultimately in the middle of a fiscal year we are \$6.3 million shy, we could be forced in a position to a cut that amount to offset that \$6.3 million deficit. Is that a fair statement. County Attorney Hart said, you've got to either make cuts or you've got to be able to lawfully borrow the money and in order to do that, it would require a significant amount of study to see how you could go about doing that. Commissioner Odell said, okay. So we would not be able to adjust it from a millage standpoint midyear to offset an error in our calculations. Is that fair? County Attorney Hart said, you're absolutely correct. Commissioner Odell said, so we would have to go into the market and borrow money. Is that also true? County Attorney Hart said, if the law will permit us during that budget year to cover the shortfall, but I'm not a hundred percent sure we can do that. We'll just have to see. Commissioner Odell said, so the alternative would be to borrow. Failing that option, the second alternative would be a drastic reduction. Here's the point. If you are midway stream in your budget, Russ [Abolt], you correct me, and you have a \$6.3 million deficit to make up, what —, how much do you have to cut for the balance of that six months? You'd have to double it, wouldn't you? County Manager Abolt said, sir, we would have to act quicker than that. It's your option if you wish to adopt a budget today, but what we would have to do is we would have to monitor this monthly and, as Commissioner Odell is alluding to, we would not, being your good staff, we would not wait until all of a sudden we run out of money. We would have to start making cuts fairly quickly only because

the longer you wait in your fiscal year to get a goal of money, the harder it is because if you're fifty percent through spending at that level, and you try to make up \$6,000,000 in the last six months of the year, the burden on any department would be just excessive. Commissioner Odell said, it would impact almost like \$12.6 million for that six months period. You know, I'm a little concerned and I'm concerned that non-experts are making expert decisions and not having the time, the training or the experience to make that decision, and I think that it's improper. I think that it's lofty and it's worldly and it's good, but it's giving the community a pipedream, which puts the County in jeopardy. We have professionals to look at the budget. I spent a year in graduate school at Vanderbilt University in management. Our budget is akin to playing Chinese checkers. You cannot sit at your home and play on your computer and say we've got \$318,000,000, we're going to pull here, we're going to pull there, we're going to cut here, and it make any sense because you're treating equal things unequally and unequal things equally. We have staff. I think that there's enough votes to pass this, but I said also when we were sued two or three years, maybe a little bit longer, maybe not that long, when we cut the constitutional officers, I said not because I'm the candidate for the Sheriff's Department, I said if we cut the Sheriff's Department this amount of money, the impact is they're going to have to close units. Now that's good if we can stop crime, but if we cannot stop crime and we have to house criminals, then we're going to have to put them somewhere else, we're going to have to pay other people to keep them, so by us saving \$3.4 or \$4,000,000, it's going to cost us \$7,000,000 for that same, so you cannot treat this department with an equal cut because has an unequal impact. But I see that we're doing this again. I will vote against the proposal. I support the staff's proposal and we will know in six months.

Chairman Hair said, Dr. Thomas and then Commissioner Kicklighter and Commissioner Murray.

Commissioner Thomas said, thank you, Mr. Chairman. Again, I want to say that we must be very careful about the decisions that we make, and based on what I have heard in terms of assumptions, I think that this is a false budget because of the imbalances, I think it will equate to false hope, and I can sum it up like that because, here again, within six months or more, we keep doing it over and over every year and we're giving false hope and we're right back to square one. I cannot support that particular budget.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Kicklighter.

Commissioner Kicklighter said, thank you. I just want to state that this same Commission back in 2001 preached doom and gloom when we faced a \$12,000,000 deficit. It was a few people's thoughts that we had to have a tax increase back then to cover the deficit and —, everybody wants to talk bad about this gang of five, thank goodness for them because they stuck to their guns and we didn't have a tax increase in 2001. Everything was going to fall apart and be bad in no time and, you know, we would see —. Hey, we're here, you know, three years later plugging right along. You know, I —, my impression about leadership is somebody that gives you direction or gives an opinion, gives their input. To me to this point I've witnesses no recommendations from our leader other than preaching doom and gloom on anything that comes out of anyone's mouth that has ever wanted to not raise the taxes. You know, earlier there was no position stated by our leader on what he proposed doing. Of the position stated was what he opposed. So I think we need to know from our leadership does he propose a millage rate increase to do Budget #2 or does he propose slashing all the departments? What exactly does our leader, our Chairman actually propose to solve the problem in Chatham County? Back in 2001 I believe he stood for a tax increase and year after year he stated something that in my opinion seemed like he wanted to raise the taxes, but there was some of us up here that stuck to our guns that we weren't going to do it, and I believe that we've been plugging along pretty good and as far as the \$100,000 it cost to hire an attorney to defend the lawsuit, come on, folks. That didn't —, that saved you. We didn't raise your taxes. We didn't raise them. Imagine had we just did what the Chairman recommended back then and bumped the taxes right on up. Then you would be paying. Sure we spent \$100,000, but it saved you real taxpayers from your taxes going up. That's what's happened here today. One example someone gave me of this dispute on revenues, and it may be risky, but to me rather than raising your taxes right now, it's worth a little risk. If something comes up in the future, we can solve the problem. We'll watch it monthly, but let's risk it rather than jump up and raise your taxes now. We'll see what happens. You know, I'm not scared to cut. I'm not scared to cut at all. In fact, all this mess, the only two times I made the paper in a cartoon's been over this little swimming pool over there at the Aquatic Center and, you know, I proposed initially selling the Aquatic Center and the Tybee Pier and everything else over there, but —, and the Weightlifting Center. We had a \$12,000,000 at that time. So I personally just couldn't figure out, I knew we needed to eliminate all waste at that time, and when you're looking at essential services what the government should provide, swimming pools aren't included. So, you know, I proposed that, but facing a \$12,000,000 deficit, we didn't close anything down up here. Nothing closed. We came through it. Now we're actually facing a time to put it into perspective with a tax base grew by six percent this year. We'll receive \$4.6 million more in this upcoming budget than we have in our current budget, and it's doom and gloom. Sure we've got some mandated expenses the State passed down, but it's not time to just jump in and start raising taxes. We can cover it. It's worth a try. I like the numbers. You know, yeah, I said the first one was awesome and, hey, if a mistake's made, I'm not too proud to try to cover it. Like I said, I told Russ [Abolt] on the phone joking, you know, I said no wonder the budget was so awesome if we were off, you know, that amount and we had everything. But now we're at a good point. It's worth a try. Everybody's happy, everybody understands that there's a little risk there in my opinion. We'll face it, we'll deal with it. But to me that's much better than just jumping up here today and raising your taxes like some people's wanted to do since I first arrived here. They want to let you think that this group of five —, gang it's called because that even sounds worse —, is a bad thing. But I stated it before, if I've got to be in a gang, hey, one that saves all the homeowners their tax dollars, I'm proud to be a part of it. I want to know when I'm done here just one simple question from all the people because we've come —, become so good on this Commission at being obstructive rather than building teams, I believe the leader should have set everyone down a long time ago and said, what do we need, what do you need? I believe that a good leader would have looked back starting in 2001 and said, you know, there's five people in there that's not going to raise taxes. Come on, guys, everybody let's work together and work within those parameters that have been set and let's come up with the best budget possible within those parameters, whatever that may be. But, no, we're much better that never meeting, never sitting down together to work on anything and then once the budget proposals start flying out, it's doom and gloom, it's a bad group or gang of people and, you know, I think that

could just be solved with simply the leader giving some leadership and telling us what he believes and sitting us down together and making us work together. None of us in this gang or group of five are perfect people. Frankly, we're a bunch of blunt personalities that just jump out and get you at times, you know, so I'm not saying we're perfect, but I do believe that it starts at the top and I think that leadership could corral all of us and bring us together and come up with a good, good working budget that we could all sit here and not have to condemn everybody and everything and scare the public unneededly. When this thing passes, if future cuts are needed, I'll make the cuts, I'll vote for them, and I would imagine that the gang would vote for them at that time too, but right now is not the time to scare the public because in our opinion, my opinion, it's not time to be scared. We'll put it together and deal with it if we have to. Thank you.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Murray.

Commissioner Murray said, first of all, this budget proposal was not put out there to criticize any Commissioners or any of the staff. I will be the first to say I'm not a professional at this and wouldn't presume to be, and I think staff has done a good job going through the process. They've spent a lot of time to try to do this. I will say also since it came up, I personally don't like this reference of the gang of five. I don't like being considered a part of any kind of gang. I think that started with the *Savannah Morning News* or the *Evening Press* a good while back when a vote was taken, and I asked the question if five Commissioners up here vote in favor of something, does that automatically mean they are a member of a gang of five to do that, regardless of which five are doing it. However, it does take five votes to pass anything up here. I have not called one Commissioner about voting for this budget. I have not asked anybody to vote for this budget. It's just something I was trying to put out there to try to resolve some of the things we have. So if those want to criticize, then so be it. I don't know if the votes are there to pass this budget or not, but, Russ [Abolt], I really thought with all the things that we had put in place with Finance that we were monitoring our budgets on a weekly and monthly basis —. County Manager Abolt said, yes sir. Commissioner Murray said, — and we were getting reports from them. County Manager Abolt said, and I have confidence in them. Commissioner Murray said, then this would not be anything new. I mean, we started this in the past year. County Manager Abolt said, no sir. If you —, if this budget's adopted, it will heighten up even more. Commissioner Murray said, well, I understand that and I would expect it to. I would expect to do that with any budget that passes, whether it's this one or any other budget. This is not a budget that's a good —, feel-good for everybody out there. There are some cuts in it. There were some cuts in some of the groups from the original proposal that was put out. The fact that the Chairman and Commissioner Thomas did not receive a copy, I don't understand that because everybody else did and it was sent out to go out to everyone. Commissioner Thomas said, well, I didn't get one. Commissioner Murray said, and I apologize if you didn't get copies of it, but that —, when I sent it down, it was supposed to go in the packets and everybody else got it in their packets —. Commissioner Thomas said, I did not. Commissioner Murray said, — so I apologize for you not getting one. I would not vote for a budget that is not balanced. I feel like this is balanced based on the assumptions. I also feel like that we have to take chances from time to time. I kind of look at it as I would a road map. You know, you can go from here to California and there's more than one way to get there. We all have nine different opinions up here. We have nine different ways trying to get to where we're going, and if this doesn't have the votes to pass, then so be it. We'll try something else another time, but I just feel like that based on that, you're going to hit some bumps in the road when you're on that map, you're going to run into some places where you detour for road construction. We possibly would do the same thing with this. I don't know. But based on what we looked at and the numbers that were there, I feel like it is workable. We don't know until we get into the budget year. I know every year that I've been on this Commission we have amended and changed budgets and made changes as the year goes on through that budget. We have spent money that was not budgeted during the years also, and this is happened on every year that we have had budgets that I've been serving up here. And to sit here and say we can't do it, I don't know. All the numbers the County Manager used and that were used in this budget and other budget proposals are unaudited numbers. We do not have the numbers audited yet and we won't for a while. So these are all unaudited numbers on all the proposals. So wherever it falls, it falls.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Gellatly.

Commissioner Gellatly said, thank you, Mr. Chairman. First of all, I agree with everything that Commissioner Kicklighter said. I think that on this particular Commission we have had for quite some time a void of leadership. I think that —, I'm very familiar with the way the City of Savannah puts their budget together. The City of Savannah, the Aldermen, by the time they came to this point, would have had 80 —, at least 80 hours of going over with staff step by step and line by line where the money's coming from, where the money's going, and with a rationale. We don't get that and, again, this is something I think that needs to come from the Chairman. We should have the opportunity to have every aspect of this budget explained to us. I feel very strongly that it is the Chairman's responsibility to bring this Commission together in the form of consensus on controversial issues, and this just hasn't happened. I share —, you know, at first the gang of five, why, I resented being included in that, but right at this point in time I'm proud to be that gang of five. That gang of five has exclusively and only voted together on significant budget issues and a strong resolve not to increase the taxpayer's property tax, and I have no problems with that and I'm going to stick with that. I know —, and I know the Commissioners, my fellow Commissioners do also, we know who pays the taxes. We have people on fixed incomes, social security, and people that are just making it paycheck to paycheck, and these are the people that when we say we can't live within our budget, they're struggling within their own budget and I don't think that it should be us collectively as a group, a majority, to impose additional expenses on them in the form of increased taxes. I think we have a responsibility as a Commission and our staff to live within our existing budget and live within our existing funds, and I just wanted to express these opinions. And I don't know that any budget is perfect, but I —, and I might point out I have not been asked by anyone to pass this budget. I've seen it. It looks good to me. Is there risk involved? Yeah, I think there's some risk involved, but I tell you right now I'm not going to be part of any increase in property taxes. Thank you.

Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Murray and then Commissioner Odell.

Commissioner Murray said, I'm going to make a motion to adopt this budget—. Commissioner Kicklighter said, second. Commissioner Murray said, — and see what happens. Commissioner Kicklighter said, second. Chairman Hair said, we have a motion and a second.

Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Odell. Commissioner Rivers said, Mr. Chairman, I want to get in —. Chairman Hair said, oh, Commissioner Rivers. Commissioner Odell and then Commissioner Rivers. Okay.

Commissioner Odell said, technically what we've done is we've taken the amount of money and we have tried to make it fit and we've cut [inaudible] and that cut is not a knowing cut, it is a pure mathematical cut with no direct implication as to the services. So that there's no confusion, I'm not the Chairperson, but I think our Chairman has done a good job. When I need explanation on the budget, I can come over to Russ Abolt's office and get all the information that I need. I can stay there all day, two weeks, a month. In fact, I would dare to say that I probably could pitch a tent and I can get all the information that I need. And when I made the statement about the gang of five, and that is —, I don't make it negatively —, most of the time it's not negative —, and all of the people are friends. We get along. We argue and stuff, but it's not personal. It's a difference in philosophy and it's a difference in management. To the gang of five the worst thing in the history of the world would be a tax increase, but so that you don't think that —, and people look and they say, God, from the look of your eyes I can tell that you're a liberal. No, I own property, I'm a small businessman. I don't want to pay taxes more than anyone else, but I know that you live in a civilized community, it costs money. It costs money to have police, it costs money to prosecute in the court system, and 50% of our budget is not controlled by the County Manager. So we've got 50% less. If you live in a civilized community, it costs money to live in a civilized community. Here's what we've done, by way of example. We take the budget, we take the projected revenues and then we force feed everything to it to come up with a number. Let me tell you what that's like. That's like taking a hundred pound bag of sausage and trying to recreate a pig. You just can't do it. I support the Bamboo Farm, I support the library, but I think that we must have a fund balance, and a fund balance to me means that we must have sufficient funds set aside in case there's an emergency. We're on the coast, we've been lucky, we've not been hit by a major hurricane. I'm not promoting tax and spend. I'm simply saying that we have to be in the best position in the market to purchase. If a vehicle breaks down, we need to find depreciation which we do not do. We should have a fund balance between eight and twelve million dollars. I know of no county in the State of Georgia that can only live on the revenues, and when I say only live on the increase in property assessment, Stephens-Day and I'm wondering here, but I'll try to make sense of it, Stephens-Day was not a tax reduction bill. All the public rallied and you believed that Stephens-Day was a tax reduction bill. It did not reduce taxes. It simply shifted the tax obligation. It did not reduce taxes, it shifted the tax obligation. What kind of county do you want to live in? Do you want to live in a county where you go to a library facility and the facility is adequate? Bamboo Farm is a treasure which I don't think we can afford to lose. Even if the State of Georgia says it's not their responsibility, it's the citizens of Chatham County's responsibility. We need money, and I don't want to put the County in a position of running out of funds and then having drastic cuts. I also have the feeling we need to rely upon those people who are expert, and I think our staff is expert. I think they've done a good job and I think, too, when we run out of money, when this budget is approved, we're going to blame you all. Even though you told us not to, we're going to look for people to blame. Chairman Hair said, it's staff's fault. Commissioner Odell said, I'm ready to vote.

Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Rivers and then we're ready to vote. Chairman Hair recognized Commissioner Rivers.

Commissioner Rivers said, you know, I prayed this morning —. Commissioner Odell said, and I saw you pray. Commissioner Rivers said, — for a little understanding, and I think that most people don't understand the budget. Most people don't understand the nuances of accounting. So they don't realize all the damage that they do to a budget. You know, when we say crazy glue, we think of something that sticks, is bonded well. This crazy glue that I'm talking about today, this is a crazy glue. This budget proposal needs crazy glue. It's not going to stick. Now everybody up here is telling you, all nine of these Commissioners will tell you, well, we're not for tax increases. And some may be for increasing the taxes, but every year, year after year, we have increased the taxes. We have increased the taxes, so don't let nobody tell you that we have not increased the taxes. What you've got to do is go back and look at your homeowner's that has been frozen and everybody else, commercial-wise, rental-wise, has had an increase in taxes. Every year our millage increases and it increases as a result of us receiving monies from residential, that's non-ownership and commercial. So for anybody to tell you that we have not raised taxes, that's a fallacy. Anytime business-wise that you run anything on projected income, our accounting system it's ran on projections. Projections, you can either hit it, you can go over it or you can come under it, and this year the projection for your revenue digest turned short. The problem is, and I've been talking about this over the last, I imagine the last 12 years. I won't say 16, because when I came in office we had a \$19,000,000 surplus and it was because of the prudence of the Commissioners that was here. They understood numbers, and I'm not saying that these Commissioners here don't understand numbers, but you had business people who understood what projections, revenue, and what shortfalls could be. And I know Ms. Cramer will tell you right now that what you're looking at when this digest is set, what you actually receive and what you actually expend is outright, and then you have what you call receivables so you move with receivables. Now I don't know, you know, I try to be as truthful as I possibly can. You know, I brought something forward to our fellow Commissioners. It was an insurance plan from ACCG. They hopped on it just like that. Without doing any due diligence, they adopted. They adopted it just like that. Supposedly a 2.7 million or whatever it was savings. I'm going to —, I'm going to give you facts, people. I'm going to give you facts. But, Ms. Cramer, how much have we saved from that insurance, that plan that we're in and how much is it going to increase in a short period of time? Can you give me that? Ms. Cramer said, unfortunately, we have not seen a reduction in our expenditures for health care, and we're looking at a substantial increase next year. At least one and a half million dollars for our claims.

County Manager Abolt said, and it also, if I may, Commissioner Rivers, I believe the expectation was a million and a half, half dollar savings. As you know from the audit, that savings was not there and we had to make changes in the last quarter of that fiscal year to amass enough dollars to finish in the black.

Commissioner Rivers said, so you see again, folks, when you began to inject and make assumptions that are not there, you have shortfalls. Not only that, you will hear how this rosy this thing is and I'm not trying to push a doom and gloom. I'm just giving you some facts. We've got \$18,000,000 of capital improvements that we have deferred every year. We have deferred it. So eventually when something just falls apart, you have to find the money and then it goes back to catastrophic loss. \$3,000,000 that we borrowed from Peter to pay Paul and we can't pay Peter back. So if anything happens disastrous, we don't have that fund but yet we need a balanced budget. We have lost our rating, bond rating, and we're talking about building our fund balance back. This County's at risk. No matter what they tell you, this County's at risk and if you look at the numbers and if you go to what we actually receive and what we actually expend, it's not there. We'll save by freezing here and freezing there, but that's non-recurring revenue, that one time use —, once you've spent it, it's gone. And that's what happened to that \$19,000,000 in surplus we had. Folks, it all goes back to the first year I was elected, and the first two or three years we lost revenue sharing, \$2.8 million. There was a revenue stream that we used to buy vehicles and other capital stuff. When we lost that we never replaced that revenue stream and I want you to tell me, Russ [Abolt], the reason that we can't buy cars today is that we never replaced that revenue stream. So we have not been prudent over the years. We have not put in an appreciation fund. So we have sat here and just moved and did whatever was necessary, but every year, every year since we spent that \$19,000,000, every year we have come up with a budget shortfall where we had to cut this, cut that, cut this, cut that and never stabilized this budget. So, folks, we don't have no control over mandates. Expenditures are unpredictable, and when you sit up here, when you sit up here and knowingly have a shortfall and everything is built on projection, and then you increase departments, like we increased the Tax Assessors last year, with no revenue stream to feed it because you already got a shortfall, and then what they say they're going to bring, increase that department for, it doesn't meet the revenue influx. It doesn't bring it in. So you're really, really behind the eightball. The mandate that we have with the new judge, it's a mandate. If we do it, we're going to have to expend pretty close to a quarter of a million dollars plus. These things you've got to look at. I don't think no Commissioner up here sits down and look at those things and that's why we've got a professional staff, to bring back those recommendations and those kind of things that we talk about. So, you know, I'm for doing some same things. I told y'all a long time ago, you know, we sat up here one year and we not only did a whole lot of things, but we rolled back the millage, and I told you that I would not roll back the millage if I had to come back and take it back from you. That's what I told John Q. Public then and that's what's happening now. You are not going to stabilize this budget until you have some pain. We have got tremendous growth in this County and the growth is going to help us to overcome. Nothing else. But you've got to stabilize it and you can't keep putting money out there without having money in hand. That's the only problem that I have with projected budgets. I like to go with the actual. You look at one year actual and you try to deal with it from there. Your projection is gravy, and when you've got the money in the hand, if you have to increase a department, you've got the money in hand and it's a permanent stream of revenue. So, folks, I don't know, I think if folks will look back over the years you'll see that I've always recommended what I thought was prudent, what I thought that we could stand, and at some point if you —, the budget is just like filling this water with cup [sic], in this cup or pouring it —, invert this cup, put a bottom on it and pouring water in. As you pour water in, the bottom expands, that expands out, but if you've got a cup like this and you take the water out and you don't have no revenue going in, it's not going to expand. The budget depends on the growth, and the tax base expands as you expand growth. As we build up the Westside, and that's why I like money to go to the Westside. Look what it did. Nobody was here —, see, what you are reaping now in tax revenue and growth and in gain and this economy comes from Commissions ten years ago. You are reaping the benefit of decisions that was made then. It's not anything that this Commission did or the last Commission did. Previous Commissions caused all the growth that you see out there on the Westside right now, and we planned it that way so that we could expand the tax base, but we have not taken advantage of that and we need to do that. You know, who in here would sell everything in their house? Don't you have some things that are valuable to you, some things that you want to hold on to, some things that you would never get rid of? Well, the County is just like that. The Aquatic Center and our Olympic legacy was some of the best things that we could have done. It brings money into this community. I was at a track meet the other day. Brought a considerable amount of people in here that spent considerable dollars with our merchants, increase the sales tax revenue that we take in. Same thing as the Aquatic Center brings people in. There are some things that government provide. The quality of life is one of them and I think in our legacy package we have provided the quality of life with our parks, with our Aquatic Center, with our track fields, with our wrestling. We've become world renown because of the Wrestling Center. So, folks, I know that they may have the numbers to pass this budget, but I pray that one day, one day that you, the citizens, will wake up and understand that we have a professional staff here that's a good staff. They try to contain it, but they can't contain it. This is a monster that they can't even contain. They can't even keep the costs down. Every year we have cut on our side of the budget, on the Manager's side. We have cut and we have cut to the bare bone, and every year there are more proposals to cut back, roll back on the maintenance, roll back on mowing, roll back on this, roll back on that, cut personnel, and some things we can cut, some things we can't cut, and I'm sorry that I'm taking so long to express this, but this is urgent. This is a disaster that is about to happen and this is my last opportunity to caution you on the disaster that's about to take place, and I don't have anything against anybody up here. I can deal with anybody, but it's hard for you to make me understand something when you throw it before me two nights before you want it enacted. You've got to explain it to me, you've got to show me. I'm from Missouri, I'm from the Show-Me State. Show me, make me understand and then I can make a good decision based upon what I understand, but don't come up expecting me to push something out there that's based on assumption, that's even based on —, I don't like this budget that's based on projection. As I said before, I like the actual thing. When you've got a bird in the hand, you know that you can —, my mother always tell me if you make a dime, put aside a nickel, save a nickel. And this government has to be the same way. It has to put away some money for a rainy day, and God help us if that rainy, rainy, rainy day comes and we look around —, let's say, just even if Floyd comes back, we look around we don't —, we can't cover it. We can't cover it, folks.

Commissioner Odell asked, which Floyd? Commissioner Rivers said, I'm not talking about our former mayor. He's a whirlwind, too.

Commissioner Rivers said, that would break it up. I'll go ahead and conclude. It's not all that I want to say, but I hope that you guys will listen and, you know, everybody comes up and it's very difficult up here to make decisions when everybody

is asking for what they want. If you don't have the money or you don't have the wherewithal to get it, you can't give it. And so with that I'll go on, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman Hair said, thank you. I'm going to call on Commissioner Murray to make his final comments and I think we're ready to vote after that.

Commissioner Murray said, and the only reason I ask this is because Commissioner Rivers brought it up about the insurance, but had we stayed with the company that we were with before we changed, how much more would we be paying now? Several million dollars from what I understand. County Manager Abolt said, well, that's a difficult question to answer. You have to realize from the beginning it became very apparent early on that what this Commission was told when we were buying, we didn't get and employees were paying more and getting less and the County was paying more and getting less. The million and a half dollars that y'all anticipated would be in savings to balance the budget that year never materialized and your audit verified that. They said the costs that has risen this year, which are in my budget message, we feel are a bit much. I'll have a meeting with Mr. Jones and others to make —, bring that point home. But in my humble opinion, you did not get what you were proposed with Blue Cross/Blue Shield nor did the employees. Commissioner Murray said, I feel like the policy we have now with the changes that we have made to it since we've had it is a good policy and the majority of the employees are satisfied with it. There's some —, I don't care what policy we go with, it will not be. And those are decisions that are policy decisions that we have to make and we can't please everyone with that. And I would like to thank the staff for the work that they have done and their recommendations and what they've said and tried to work with me on some of these things that will come up. I'll be the first one to sit right here and say if this budget passes and if there's a problem, I'm not blaming staff. I'll take full responsibility for putting this proposal out there.

Chairman Hair said, all those in favor of the motion vote yes —. County Manager Abolt said, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Chairman. Let me just take you through these steps now first because it isn't a single motion. You've got resolutions that affect several things, plus staff needs a recommendation regarding the millage. I can assume certain things, but I don't want to do that. Let me start out by walking you through it and then we'll defer to Linda [Cramer] and Read [DeHaven] on the other resolutions. Now, what I understand the motion to be, it applies to the M&O budget —. Commissioner Murray said, right. County Manager Abolt said, — and it is represented in a faxed transmission to me from Commissioner Murray dated the 7th of July. Commissioner Murray said, right. County Manager Abolt said, on that, and I must tell you, and I pain when I tell you this, but I've probably done this only twice in my professional career, but I have to. I have a legal and ethical responsibility to strongly recommend against this motion. That aside, we must now carry you through a variety of decisions and those decisions will result in, after you're finished today, you will have adopted a three hundred and some-odd million dollar budget. I want to first ask the question, and again I believe it's implied but you must tell me, you choose to reinstate the rollback millage on it. Correct? Commissioner Rayno said, 10.367.

County Manager Abolt said, you want —, yes sir. Then may I ask for clarification on the cost of living increase. I believe I know what you want, but I would ask you to tell me. Commissioner Murray said, five percent effective September 1st. County Manager Abolt said, okay. Now I'm going to have Linda [Cramer] take you —, Linda or Read [DeHaven] please. Let's walk —, and by the way, on the rollback millage, and I don't want this to be slight, [inaudible] or others, you're also going to reinstate the rollback millage for all those budgets over which you had hearings, correct? Correct, okay. Now, Read. Read DeHaven's here. He's my expert on the resolution and you're going to have to go through your agenda packets.

Chairman Hair asked, first we need to adopt the budget, do we not, Read? Mr. DeHaven said, right, yes, but I would want to clarify. Your motion would be the General Fund, as amended by the proposal, and then would you then adopt the other resolutions, the other 26 resolutions on the other funds as presented here. Chairman Hair said, I think we can adopt all of those at one time, can we not? Mr. DeHaven said, yes. Chairman Hair said, okay, the first motion is the resolutions that adopts the budget itself, correct? Mr. DeHaven said, yes. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Commissioners Rayno, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of five to four. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

Chairman Hair said, all right, Mr. DeHaven, what's the next motion? County Manager Abolt said, then you want —, that's it. Read [DeHaven] tells me we're okay as far as resolutions and also in our —. Chairman Hair asked, you need the millage rate? County Manager Abolt said, yes sir. Okay, we need a motion to adopt the millage rate at what level, 10-point what? Ms. Cramer said, 10.367. Chairman Hair said, 10.367. I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner McMasters said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Kicklighter said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Ms. Cramer said, and then we would need a millage rate for the SSD millage rate of 3.475. The Clerk said, I need Commissioner Rivers to vote on the last motion. Chairman Hair said, Commissioner Rivers, you need to vote on the millage. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three.

Chairman Hair said, all right, now we need a motion on the SSD millage. Commissioner Rivers said, Mr. Chairman. I'm going to ask for reconsideration to be entered into the minutes on that. Chairman Hair said, okay. On the millage, not on the budget itself? Commissioner Rivers said, on the millage I don't vote on the —. Chairman Hair said, prevailing side. Commissioner Rivers said, prevailing side on the last one. I shall be going that way on everything else.

Chairman Hair said, now we need a motion for —, what's the millage rate again, Linda [Cramer], 3-point what? Ms. Cramer said, for the SSD —. Chairman Hair said, SSD. Ms. Cramer said, — 3.475. Chairman Hair said, 3.475. Commissioner Rivers said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Murray said, second. Chairman

Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three. Chairman Hair said, the motion passes.

Commissioner Rivers said, Mr. Chairman, I would ask for reconsideration to be placed into the minutes. Chairman Hair said, okay. That's for reconsideration. All right. Next motion.

Ms. Cramer said, this motion would be for the Chatham Area Transit Authority, .820 mills. Commissioner Rayno said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Murray said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three.

Commissioner Rivers said, Mr. Chairman, I'll ask that it be placed in the minutes for reconsideration. Chairman Hair said, okay. Next one?

Ms. Cramer said, this motion would be to adopt the financial policies as presented on March 19th that were in the budget package. Chairman Hair said, okay. Do I have a motion? Commissioner Murray said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? We don't have a second? Commissioner Rayno asked, could you please repeat that? Ms. Cramer said, to adopt the financial policies that were presented on March 19th. Commissioner Rayno asked, the fund balance policies? County Manager Abolt said, it's more than that. Chairman Hair said, all those in —. Well, we need a second. Commissioner McMasters said, 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.

Ms. Cramer said, and then a motion to adopt the tipping fees, the \$2.00 tipping fees. Chairman Hair said, okay. Commissioner Murray said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Kicklighter 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, Mr. Chairman, I move that that be placed in the minutes for reconsideration. Chairman Hair said, okay, so ordered.

Ms. Cramer said, and a motion to adopt the revised fees for Building Safety and Regulatory Services. Chairman Hair said, okay, fees for Building Safety and Regulatory. I need a motion. Commissioner Thomas said, move for approval. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Murray 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, that completes the budget. Linda [Cramer]? Read [DeHaven]? Everybody's happy?

County Manager Abolt said, Mr. Chairman, you've also done #5, too.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

1. Commissioner Murray moved to adopt the resolutions and the budget for FY2004-2005 as proposed by Commissioner Murray. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion. Commissioners Rayno, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Rivers, Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of five to four.
2. Commissioner McMasters moved to adopt the General Fund M&O millage rate at 10.367. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three.
3. Commissioner Rivers, having voted on the prevailing side of the previous motion, requested that reconsideration of the General Fund M&O millage rate of 10.367 be entered into the minutes for a vote at the next meeting.
4. Commissioner Rayno moved to adopt the Special Service District millage rate at 3.475. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three.
5. Commissioner Rivers, having voted on the prevailing side of the previous motion, requested that reconsideration of the SSD millage rate of 3.475 be entered into the minutes for a vote at the next meeting.
6. Commissioner Rayno moved to adopt the millage rate for Chatham Area Transit Authority at .820 mills. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. Commissioners Rayno, Rivers, McMasters, Murray, Gellatly and Kicklighter voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Hair and Commissioners Odell and Thomas voted in opposition. The motion carried by a vote of six to three.
7. Commissioner Rivers, having voted on the prevailing side of the previous motion, requested that reconsideration of the Chatham Area Transit Authority millage rate of .820 be entered into the minutes for a vote at the next meeting.

8. Commissioner Murray moved to adopt the financial policies presented to the Board on March 19, 2004. Commissioners McMasters and Thomas seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
9. Commissioner Murray moved to adopt the \$2.00 tipping fees. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
10. Commissioner Rivers, having voted on the prevailing side of the previous motion, requested that reconsideration of the \$2.00 tipping fees be entered into the minutes for a vote at the next meeting.
11. Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the fees for Building Safety and Regulatory Services. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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5. **REQUEST BOARD ADOPTION OF YEAR 2004 CHATHAM COUNTY GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS, SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT, AND CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT MILLAGE LEVY RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO ADVERTISEMENT HAVING BEEN PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.C.G.A. 48-5-32.1.**
IN ADDITION, FORM PT-35 COUNTY MILLAGE RATE CERTIFICATION AND FORM PT 32.1 COMPUTATION OF MILLAGE RATE ROLLBACK AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAXES FOR YEAR 2004 MUST BE CERTIFIED AND SUBMITTED TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR DIGEST APPROVAL FOR THE TAX YEAR 2004.

NOTE: For discussion and action taken on this item, see Item IX-4 above.

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6. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL TO PAY THE LIVE OAK PUBLIC LIBRARIES FOR EXPENDITURES INCURRED DURING FISCAL 2003-2004.**

Chairman Hair said, Item 6 is —. County Manager Abolt said, to table. Chairman Hair said, already been done. Move it to July 23rd.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

This item was postponed to the meeting on July 23, 2004.

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7. **REQUEST BOARD APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH PREPARATION OF RFP, AQUATIC CENTER OPERATIONS.**

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner McMasters said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Kicklighter 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 McMasters moved to give approval for staff to proceed with preparation of an RFP for the Aquatic Center operations. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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8. **SIX-MONTH REVIEW OF LAND USE HISTORY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 11-3 OF THE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE.**

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner McMasters said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Murray said, second. Chairman Hair said, all those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. The Clerk asked, who made the motion on the last —? Chairman Hair said, Commissioner McMasters made the motion and Commissioner Murray seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner McMasters moved to accept the list of properties which received a map amendment through the MPC between January 1, 2002, and June 30, 2002. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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9. REQUEST BOARD AUTHORIZE THE LEASE-PURCHASE OF 5000 JASMINE AVENUE TO THE CHATHAM COUNTY HOMELESS AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF SABHC.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. Commissioner Murray said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? 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.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Murray moved to authorize the lease-purchase of 5000 Jasmine Avenue to the Chatham County Homeless Authority on behalf of Savannah Area Behavioral Health Collaborative (SABHC). Commissioner Rivers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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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 said, nothing was pulled from the Action Calendar. I'll entertain a motion to approve the entire Action —. Commissioner Thomas said, move for approval. Chairman Hair asked, second. Commissioner Murray 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 that the Action Calendar be approved in its entirety. Commissioner Murray 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 JUNE 25, 2004, AS MAILED.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the minutes for the pre-meeting and regular meeting of June 25, 2004, as mailed. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. CLAIMS VS. CHATHAM COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 17 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2004.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved that the Finance Director is authorized to pay claims for the period June 17, 2004, through June 30, 2004, in the amount of \$5,309,393. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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**3. REQUEST FROM THE DEVELOPER, BOUY BROTHERS BUILDERS, TO INCREASE THE VILLAGE OF AUTUMN LAKE SUBDIVISION STREETLIGHT ASSESSMENT RATE.
[DISTRICT 7.]**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the request from the developer, Bouy Brothers Builders, to increase the Village of Autumn Lake Subdivision streetlight assessment rate. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 4. **REQUEST BOARD AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM, FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMIT \$2,520 IN FUNDING FROM THE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT CONTINGENCY FUND AS THE CASH MATCH REQUIRED BY THE GRANT, AND AUTHORIZE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER THE APPLICATION DATA THROUGH THE INTERNET TO THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE.**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to authorize the Chairman to sign a grant application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Local Law Enforcement Block Grants Program, for the Police Department, commit \$2,520 in funding from the Special Service District contingency fund as the cash match required by the grant, and authorize the Police Department to enter the application data through the internet to the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 5. **REQUEST FOR NEW BEER AND WINE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR 2004. PETITIONER: MICHAEL PAL, D/B/A PAL'S MINI MART, LOCATED AT 2101 LOUIS MILLS BOULEVARD. [DISTRICT 5.]**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the petition of Michael Pal, d/b/a Pal's Mini Mart, located at 2101 Louis Mills Boulevard, for a new beer and wine liquor license for 2004. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 6. **REQUEST FOR NEW BEER POURING LICENSE FOR 2004. PETITIONER: HUNG PHI NGUYEN, D/B/A TRUC HOANG BI DA, LOCATED AT 4700-C & D HIGHWAY 80 EAST. [DISTRICT 4.]**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the petition of Hung Phi Nguyen, d/b/a Truc Hoang Bi Da, located at 4700-C and 4700-D Highway 80 East, for a new beer pouring license for 2004. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 7. **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.)**

ITEM	DEPT.	SOURCE	AMOUNT	FUNDING
A. Agreement acknowledging the lease/purchase of hardware and software for point of sale, inventory and tee time reservation management system	Henderson Golf Club	Golfe Network, Inc.	\$14,263	N/A - Henderson Golf Club
B. 15 new radio consoles and refurbish three existing consoles	Police	Dispatch Furniture, Inc. (sole source)	\$92,000	E-911

"§ 1-104 Commissioner Districts.

(a) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Chatham County is divided into eight commissioner districts. One member of the board shall be elected from each such district. The eight commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those eight numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: Alternative-F2 Plan Type: Local User: Gina Administrator: Chatham Co.

(b) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Chatham County which is not included in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Chatham County which is described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any commissioner district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.

(c) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, as they exist on January 1, 2004, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act."

Redistricting Plan Components Report

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Chatham County

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ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this ____ day of _____, 2004.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

Sybil Tillman, Clerk
Chatham County Commission

[SEAL]

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2. AMENDMENTS TO ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO VARIOUS FEES FOR SERVICES TO ANIMALS.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

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

STATE OF GEORGIA)
)
COUNTY OF CHATHAM)

ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CHATHAM COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners as follows:

Article I, Section 22-101 (1), "Definitions," is hereby amended to add subparagraph (g) which shall read as follows:

"g. Multiple. The word "multiple" shall mean ten (10) or more dogs or cats that have reached the age of four (4) months."

Article I, Section 22-101 (5), "Fees," is hereby stricken and a new Section 22-101 (5) is adopted and shall read as follows:

"5. Fees. The veterinarian's fees for vaccination of a dog or cat shall be set by each individual licensed veterinarian or the State of Georgia. A license tag will be issued in exchange for a fee as set forth in the following schedule, which will be collected by the Chatham County Inspections Department Animal Control Division from the owner of each dog or cat who has received the anti-rabies vaccine and rabies certificate.

<u>Under eight (8) months of age</u>	<u>(8) months of age and older</u>
Unneutered male dog.....\$5.00	Unneutered male dog.....\$20.00
Unneutered male cat.....\$5.00	Unneutered male cat.....\$20.00
Unspayed female dog.....\$5.00	Unspayed female dog.....\$20.00
Unspayed female cat.....\$5.00	Unspayed female cat.....\$20.00
	Neutered male dog.....\$2.00
	Neutered male cat.....\$2.00
	Spayed female dog.....\$2.00
	Spayed female cat.....\$2.00"

Article I, Section 22-101 (6) is hereby stricken and a new Section 22-101 (6) is adopted and shall read as follows:

"6. Multiple Dog or Cat License. The fee for obtaining a license known as "Multiple Dog and Cat License" shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per ten (10) dogs or cats and shall comply with Article I, Section 22-112, "Distance of Animal Enclosures from Buildings." The license shall be granted to an owner keeping, breeding or maintaining ten (10) or more dogs or cats that have reached the age of four (4) months or over at the time of issuance, and after each dog or cat therein has been vaccinated for rabies by a licensed veterinarian. All dogs and cats in the custody of the owner shall be inoculated and tagged. Any owner who is breeding for the purpose of selling dogs or cats at a flea market, must obtain a business tax certificate from the Department of Building Safety and Regulatory Services as set forth in Article I, Section 16-108 and Section 16-132 (2) (18)."

Article I, Section 22-107, "Payment of Fees," is hereby stricken and a new Section 22-107 is adopted and shall read as follows:

"22-107 Payment of Fees. Within three (3) days after a dog and/or cat is impounded, the owner or possessor may come forward and pay the Annual License Fee, if he has not paid the same, an Impoundment Fee, and a Boarding Fee. Impoundment and boarding shall be paid before an impounded animal will be released to the owner or possessor.

- 1. The Impoundment Fee shall be \$35.00.
- 2. The Boarding Fee shall be \$10.00 per day."

Article II, Section 22-201, "Animal Welfare-Education Trust Fund," is hereby deleted in its entirety.

All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are repealed.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this ___ day of _____, 2004.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

Sybil Tillman, Clerk
Chatham County Commission

[SEAL]

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XII. SECOND READINGS

- 1. **AMENDMENT TO THE CHATHAM COUNTY LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES ORDINANCE TO ALLOW FOR THE ADDITION OF BUILDING SAFETY AND REGULATORY SERVICES STAFF TO CONDUCT CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY TREE INSPECTIONS.**

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner McMasters said, so moved. Chairman Hair asked, second? Commissioner Kicklighter 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 McMasters moved to approve an amendment to the Chatham County Land Disturbing Activities Ordinance to allow for the addition of Building Safety and Regulatory Services staff to conduct certificate of occupancy tree inspections. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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2. AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE IV, "PARADE AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLY ORDINANCE," OF THE CHATHAM COUNTY CODE.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion. 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.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve amendments to Chapter 18, Article IV, "Parade and Public Assembly Ordinance," of the Chatham County Code. Commissioner Odell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

STATE OF GEORGIA)
)
COUNTY OF CHATHAM)

LICENSING AND REGULATION ORDINANCE OF CHATHAM COUNTY

AN AMENDMENT TO THE LICENSING AND REGULATION ORDINANCE OF CHATHAM COUNTY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners as follows:

Chapter 18, Article IV, "Parade and Public Assembly Ordinance," of the Chatham County Code is amended to strike paragraph 5 of § 18-404 and to adopt a new paragraph 5 of § 18-404.

Stricken Paragraph 5 of § 18-404

"5. An indemnification and hold harmless agreement in favor of Chatham County, Georgia, its elected officials, officers, agents, and employees, in a form satisfactory to the County Attorney."

Adopted New Paragraph 5 of § 18-404

"5. An indemnification and hold harmless agreement in favor of Chatham County, Georgia, its elected officials, officers, agents, and employees, in a standard indemnification and hold harmless agreement form, the language of which is contained hereinafter, or in a form satisfactory to the applicant.

Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement

The Undersigned hereby indemnifies, defends and holds harmless CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA, its Commissioners, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns, from and against any and all liabilities, damages, costs, expenses, causes of action, suits, demands, judgments and claims of any nature whatsoever arising from, by reason of, or in connection with illness, injury, death or damage to property which occurred, grew out of, was incident to, or was directly or indirectly caused by the Undersigned's use or occupancy of public property or facilities of Chatham County, Georgia. The Undersigned agrees to reimburse or make good any and all losses, damages or costs that Chatham County may have to pay if litigation arises out of said losses or damages to person or property. The Undersigned further accepts responsibility for any and all damage to any person or property which was damaged as a result of the Undersigned's use or occupancy of public property or facilities of Chatham County, Georgia.

The above indemnification and hold harmless agreement has been read and understood by the Undersigned and its contents are fully understood.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ____ have hereunto set ____ hand(s) and seal(s), this ____ day of _____, 200_.

Legal Signature of Undersigned

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

this ____ day of _____, 2004.

Notary Public, Chatham County, Georgia

[S E A L]

My Commission Expires:_____."

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this ___ day of _____, 2004.

Dr. Billy B. Hair, Chairman
Chatham County Commission

Sybil Tillman, Clerk
Chatham County Commission

[SEAL]



3. AMENDMENT TO THE "WATER SYSTEMS ORDINANCE" AND ADOPTION OF POLICY ON IMPLEMENTATION OF OUTDOOR WATER USE RESTRICTIONS.

Chairman Hair said, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Commissioner Kicklighter 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.

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Kicklighter moved to approve an amendment to the "Water Systems Ordinance" and adoption of policy on implementation of outdoor water use restrictions. Commissioner Odell 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.

REVISIONS TO:

**ARTICLE II
WATER SYSTEMS ORDINANCE**

§15-205 Water Supply and Emergency Powers

- ADD:**
- 3. The Department is authorized and empowered to implement water conservation measures such as imposing outdoor water use restrictions as may be recommended by State officials during such times and days as deemed necessary in any area served by the County water system. When such water use restrictions are imposed, customers will be required and expected to meet conditions of the restrictions. Notice of water restrictions may be given through the public media and published in the legal organ of the County.

§15-214 Regulation for Water Service

- DELETE:**
- 1. Application for Water Service
 - a. All applications for water service shall be made in writing on forms furnished by the Department and properly filled out and signed by the owner or the tenant or their duly authorized representatives. An application when accepted by the Department shall constitute a contract which shall bind the owner or tenant to pay to the County for services rendered its prescribed rate and to comply with all the rules and regulations

applicable to the service. Users will be required to deposit \$28.00 for water only, \$63.00 for water and sewer, and \$40.00 for sewer only.

- ADD:**
1. Application for Water Service
 - a. All applications for water service shall be made in writing on forms furnished by the County and properly filled out and signed by the owner or the tenant or their duly authorized representatives. An application when accepted shall constitute a contract which shall bind the owner or tenant to pay to the County for services rendered its prescribed rate and to comply with all the rules and regulations applicable to the service.

§15-214 Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Penalties

DELETE:

The following rates are effective and collectable as applicable:

Base bi-monthly charge for water service	\$17.00 bi-monthly
0 cubic feet to 2,000 cubic feet	\$.23 per 100 cu. ft.
Over 2,000 cubic feet	\$.34 per 100 cu. ft.
Deposit - Water Only	\$28.00
Deposit - Water/Sewer	\$63.00
Reconnect Fee	\$30.00
Tap-in-Fee* (Water)	\$70.00
(Sewer)	\$150.00
*Tap-in Fee Exceptions:	
Runaway Point Well	\$700.00
Hunters Ridge	\$1,125.00
Little Neck (Water Only)	\$275.00

Rates, charges and fees are subject to change by the Commissioners of Chatham County. The deposit for active duty military personnel shall be waived.

ADD:

Rates, charges and fees shall be included in the County Revenue Ordinance and are subject to change by the Commissioners of Chatham County. The deposit for active duty military personnel shall be waived.

**POLICY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF
OUTDOOR WATER USE RESTRICTIONS**

The goal for the implementation of the water use restriction regulations will be to educate the water customers on water conservation and the need to restrict water use. However, on those rare occasions, there will be repetitive violators who refuse to adhere to the restrictions imposed.

When a violation is brought to the attention of staff, the notice is documented and at staff's earliest convenience will make a site visit. If a violation is observed, the resident will be left pre-printed educational material on water conservation and the outdoor water restrictions. If a second violation by the same resident is observed and documented, staff will send an informational letter to advise them of the violation and the necessity to restrict outdoor water use. On the third observed and documented violation, the Director of Public Works and Park Services will send a certified letter advising the repeat offender of the violation and legal consequences if the violation is to continue. Another violation will then initiate legal action of fines.

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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: July 9, 2004

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

ITEM	DEPT.	SOURCE	AMOUNT	FUNDING
Paint and body work to wrecked Police vehicle	Fleet Operations	Chatham Collision Center	\$2,968.67	General Fund/M&O - Fleet Operations
Purchase and installation of security cameras in the Administrative Courthouse	Building Maintenance and Operations	Remote Technology, Inc.	\$8,909.65	•General Fund/M&O - Finance (\$3,000) •General Fund/M&O - Purchasing (\$1,500) •General Fund/M&O - Building Maintenance and Operations (\$1,409.65) SSD - Engineering (\$3,000)
Document imaging software	Elections Board	Palmetto Microfilm Systems, Inc. (sole source)	\$3,568.81	General Fund/M&O - Elections Board
UPS batteries for computer room	ICS	Nationwide Power Systems, Inc.	\$4,426	General Fund/M&O - ICS
13 spare telephones	ICS	Integrated Network Solutions	\$3,288.35	General Fund/M&O - Communications
Annual duct rental fee for fiber optic cables	ICS	Savannah Electric and Power	\$7,050	General Fund/M&O - Communications
High density mobile filing system	Human Resources	Modern Business Systems, Inc.	\$8,266	General Fund/M&O - Human Resources
Two (2) computers with monitors and one laptop computer	Tax Commissioner	Dell Marketing (state contract)	\$4,743.58	General Fund/M&O - Tax Commissioner
One (1) HP laser jet color printer	Assessor	Dartek, Inc.	\$4,549.36	General Fund/M&O - Assessor
Four (4) computers and monitors	Assessor	Dell Marketing (state contract)	\$5,898.85	General Fund/M&O - Assessor
Two (2) document imaging software	Assessor	Palmetto Microfilm Systems (sole source)	\$7,137.62	General Fund/M&O - Assessor
Six (6) printers and related accessories	Assessor	Disys Corporation (state contract)	\$5,414.36	General Fund/M&O - Assessor
Labor and material to add barbed wire to the existing fence surrounding the two parking lots of the Sheriff's Complex	Sheriff	Savannah Fence and Entry Systems	\$3,500	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff
Three (3) computers and monitors	Sheriff	Dell Marketing (state contract)	\$6,231.51	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff
One (1) HP multi-user laser jet color printer	Sheriff	Dartek, Inc.	\$8,766.99	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff

ITEM	DEPT.	SOURCE	AMOUNT	FUNDING
Electrical work and install lights at entry gate at the Tactical range	Sheriff	Braddy Electric	\$4,947	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff
Purchase and install a split air conditioning unit in the Enforcement room	Sheriff	Boaen Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$3,925	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff
Purchase and installation of three 24' x 20' steel carports to cover equipment located at the gun range	Sheriff	A1 Buildings, Inc.	\$4,245	General Fund/M&O - Sheriff
Design and install video system at the Whitemarsh Island Community Center	Public Works and Park Services	Remote Technology, Inc.	\$8,660	General Fund/M&O - Whitemarsh Island Community Center
Install 4" piping as required for air conditioning unit	Aquatic Center	Boaen Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$2,585	General Fund/M&O - Aquatic Center
Walk-behind striper	Public Works and Park Services	Sherwin Williams Company	\$9,049	SSD - Public Works
Design of second floor parking garage for Clerk of Superior Court	General Government Building	Barnard and Associates Architects	\$9,150	CIP - General Government Building
HVAC work at Board of Elections	General Government Building	All Season's Comfort	\$6,693	CIP - General Government Building
200 service uniform polo-type embroidered badge shirts	Police	Red Dot Uniform and Supply	\$5,600	SSD - Police
Asbestos removal on County-owned properties on Whitfield Avenue	SPLOST	Southern Tri	\$8,750	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Whitfield Avenue Widening Project
Purchase and install card reader and exit device for Juvenile Justice Center	SPLOST	Simplex Grinnell	\$4,900	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Juvenile Justice Center

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion being made by Commissioner Rivers , seconded by Commissioner Odell and unanimously approved, the Board recessed at 11:13 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 11:26 a.m.

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ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. **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 Rivers moved to authorize the Chairman to execute an affidavit that the Executive Session was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Law. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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APPOINTMENTS

- 1. **CHATHAM COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to appoint W. Rex Templeton, Jr., to the Chatham County Hospital Authority to a term which will expire October 24, 2008. Commissioner Kicklighter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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- 2. **SOUTHEAST GEORGIA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

ACTION OF THE BOARD:

Commissioner Thomas moved to appoint W. Rick Shores, Jr., to serve on the Southeast Georgia Emergency Medical Services Council, whose term will expire June 30, 2007, filling a vacancy created by the expiration of the term of Zach Shuman. Commissioner Odell 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 11:27 a.m.

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APPROVED: THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2004

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

 SYBIL E. TILLMAN, COUNTY CLERK