

MINUTES

Southwest Georgia Regional Commission

Regional Council Meeting

Camilla, Georgia

January 28, 2016

The Southwest Georgia Regional Commission (RC) held its Council meeting Thursday, January, 28, 2016, at the Southwest Regional Commission building in Camilla, Georgia. Vice-Chairman Glenda Battle chaired the meeting. The following council members were present: John Spann, Eddie Hopkins, Charlie Williams, Benny Watts Jones, Dollie Crumley, Henry Crumley, Revonn Miller, Raymond Breaux, Anthony Jones, Charlie Sol, Al Hutchins, Freddie Speight, Jim Sellers, Joe Walden, Dwight Hickman, Chad Griffin, Carlos Williams, Ben Hayward, Nathaniel Keaton, Brenda Peterson, Ed Wade, Jack Powell, Elaine Mays, Donnie Baggett, and Randy Hill.

Council members calling to report conflicts Ferrell Ruis, Dennis Brinson, Ray Prince, Jerry Bush, Danny Palmer, Karen Rackley, David Mosely, Courtney Brinson.

Council members absent were Paul Nagy, Tommie Postell, Nathaniel Clark, Rick Muggridge, Ernest Johnson, Terry Scott, and Mike Cosby.

Staff members present were Executive Director Robert McDaniel, Deputy Director Suzanne Angell, Senior Planner Barbara Reddick, Grants Administrator Brenda Wade, Planner Kim Brooks, Planning Assistant Beka Shiver, and Administrative Assistant Heather White.

Guests present were Kathy Wade, John Peterson, and Harold Moore.

Vice-Chairman Glenda Battle called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. Mr. McDaniel gave the attendance report stating that there were 26 members present representing 14 counties and a quorum was present. He noted that Baker County, Early County, Calhoun County, and Seminole County had 100% representation and then introduced the guests of the Council. Glenda Battle asked that the agenda be amended to approve the DHS contract amendment to add funds to the current year contract. Raymond Breaux motioned that the agenda be amended and Donnie Baggett seconded the motion and the Council agreed with none opposed. Ms. Battle then asked that December minutes be approved. Henry Crumley motioned the minutes be accepted and Jack Powell seconded the motion; all agreed.

Glenda Battle called Barbara Reddick up to give her staff report for the Planning Department. The Council received a packet about the Regional Work Program that will require action at the February 2016 meeting. She mentioned that the Planning Staff had been very busy including work on Comprehensive Plans. Ms. Reddick made the Council aware of upcoming grants and the deadlines. She also made the Council aware of upcoming workshops.

Suzanne Angell presented her December Financial Reports to the Council. She mentioned that since the November and December meetings were combined in to one in early December, the Council received both November and December Financial Statements in their Council packets. As of December 31, 2015, \$50,423.25 was added to the General Fund. The fund balance in the General Fund was \$296,883.98. Added to the Transportation Fund was \$10,547.35, bringing the fund balance to \$140,283.09. \$1,879.18 was added to reserves in the Revolving Loan Fund. Ms. Angell told the Council about a new loan that was made to a pharmacy in Mitchell County in the amount of \$40,000. Jack Powell moved that the Financial Reports be approved for November 2015 and December 2015 and Donnie Baggett seconded, all approved.

Ms. Angell discussed a Letter of Intent to contract with Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS) Transportation and asked for a motion from the Council to approve the intent to contract with DHS. Donnie Baggett made a motion to contract with DHS and Raymond Breaux seconded the motion. The Council approved with no objections. Ms. Angell asked for a motion to approve the Department of Human Services Contract

Amendment for the current year contract to add funds. Jack Powell made a motion to approve the amendment and Dwight Hickman seconded the motion. The Council approved with no objections.

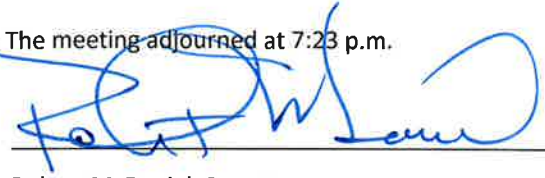
Robert McDaniel gave the Executive Director's Report.

Mr. McDaniel stated that the next meeting will be at the Regional Commission offices in Camilla on February 25, 2016.

With no further business, Ms. Battle adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.



Danny Palmer, Chairman



Robert McDaniel, Secretary