

HARALSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Haralson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Allen Poole. E-911 Director, Cathy Thompson, offered the Invocation and the board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Poole stated that the commissioners had been given a copy of the minutes of the February meeting to review. He asked if there were any changes, deletions, etc. There were none. Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Poole reported that Polk County's Chairman, Billy Croker had passed away. He said Mr. Croker was a long time commissioner for Polk and had served on many committees that helped all the counties in the Northwest Georgia area. He stated that Chairman Croker will be sorely missed.

Chairman Poole also asked that everyone keep Keya Yarbrough in your prayers. She was an employee of the elections office and is undergoing cancer treatments.

Item # 1 – Executive Session

Chairman Poole motioned to go into executive session. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to reconvene the regular meeting. Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Poole deferred to County Attorney Julie Cain. Chairman Poole stated that the executive session was regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement with the cities that stemmed from the Service Delivery Mediation. Potential Litigation.

Item #2 – Manufacturing Appreciation Week Proclamation

County Clerk, Alison Palmer, read the Proclamation which supports manufacturing in Haralson County. Manufacturing provides additional jobs and economic stimulus within the county. Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve the Proclamation. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Great Promise Partnership Proclamation

The Great Promise Partnership is an organization that works with communities to target the youth in their schools who are at a high risk of not graduating from High School. In Haralson County, they are working with students in both the Haralson County and Bremen School systems. These students are tutored on how to fill out a job application, how to dress for an interview and then get an opportunity to intern with a local business. The program helps them become successful citizens. Currently, Honda Lock is the company in Haralson that is part of this program. Haralson County is the first county in the state to be recognized a Marquee Community.

Item #4 – Meeting Time

Commissioner Robinson motioned to postpone this item to the next meeting. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried Unanimously.

Item #5 – Inmate Intergovernmental Agreement

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve the Inmate Intergovernmental Agreement. Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #6 – Temporary Alteration of the Haralson County Bid Procedures

Greg Dewberry recommended that the board run ads in both papers to solicit vendors who would like to bid on the different portions of the recreation field project. The reasoning for this is the time that it would save from having to bid out each different specialty. He stated that if all the different sections had a 30 day bid window, it would be impossible for the project to be completed in time for the fields to be used in Spring 2016. If the board agrees, the vendors will have to come to the commissioner's office and have their company put on the bid list. They will have to verify that they have a current business license and workers compensation and liability insurance and what portion they want to bid upon. Then, all the vendors for that specialty will receive a bid package for that portion with a shorter time frame to return the bids to the commission. Chairman Poole confirmed that this will save time and money, since there will only be one ad instead of numerous ones. Commissioner Robinson motioned to alter the bid process for the recreation project. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Poole asked if there was any old business. There was none.

Chairman Poole stated that no one had signed up for public participation.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Alison Palmer
County Clerk