

PRESENT: Chairman Robert H. Boyne  
Vice Chairman Virginia Gunn  
Commissioner Jack Hardman  
Commissioner Gladys Martin Lyde  
Commissioner Milton Lynn  
Commissioner James E. "Sonny" Miller  
Commissioner W. Harold Pate

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Lee Gilmour  
County Attorney Gary Moore

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Opening Ceremony.

Chairman Boyne opened the meeting with invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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Tax Collections on Mobile Homes.

Tax Commissioner Florence Dees and Magistrate Ernest Gilbert announced plans to make cases to enforce collection of taxes on mobile homes, and asked the Commission to increase the misdemeanor penalty for anyone not having a current decal on a mobile home from a \$500.00 fine and six months incarceration to a \$1,000.00 fine and up to 12 months incarceration.

The Commission expressed favor of this proposal, and Chairman Boyne directed County Attorney Gary Moore to bring a proposed ordinance amendment which would affect this change to the Commission for consideration at the next regular meeting.

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Board of Tax Assessors Increased.

Chairman Boyne announced that on July 15, 1993, the Commission voted to increase the Board of Tax Assessors from three to five members so that each Commission District would eventually be represented, and further agreement had been reached that the two new members to be appointed at this time would be made by the District One and District Two Commissioners.

Commissioner Lynn nominated Lowell E. Leggett to represent District One on the Board of Tax Assessors, and this nomination was approved by acclamation of the full Commission.

Commissioner Gunn nominated Tommy Cashin to represent District Two on the Board of Tax Assessors, and this nomination was approved by acclamation of the full Commission.

Commissioner Miller commented that \$10,000.00 would have to be added to the budget to cover the expenses of this increase.

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Brunswick Area Transportation Study Committee to Meet.

Chairman Boyne announced that a meeting of the Brunswick Area Transportation Study Committee was scheduled to take place on Tuesday, August 31, 1993, at 7:00 p.m. at the Glyndale Baptist Church.

Status Report on Restoration of the Historic Court House.

Building Official Vernon Lewis presented a brief status report on the Historic Court House Restoration Project which was funded in the amount of \$1.5 million from Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax moneys. He said the Commission had already authorized the Architectural firm of Smith-Dalia to proceed with the preliminary schematic design phase of the project, and it should be completed by August 27, 1993. Mr. Lewis said he would like to schedule a meeting of the Commission, Architects and Court House Restoration Committee during the period of September 7-10 for the purpose of receiving the schematic budget. Mr. Lewis said the estimated completion date for this project was July of 1995.

Status Report on Court House Annex Renovation.

Building Official Vernon Lewis reported that the Court House Annex Restoration Project, designed by W. S. Ledbetter Associates Architects, had proceeded through the schematic design phase, and pending issues included such items as design of the interiors with a minimum of fixed walls, and design of a parking lot. He advised that \$3.9 million in Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax was earmarked for this project, and July of 1995 was the anticipated completion date.

Chairman Boyne asked Administrator Gilmour to schedule a work session on both the Court House Annex Renovation and Historic Court House Restoration Projects sometime around the middle of September.

Review of Proposed FY 94 General Fund Budget.

Administrator Gilmour Lee Gilmour presented line item recommendations on the proposed FY 94 General Fund Budget which he explained was aimed at achieving the Commission's goal of a \$25 million budget that would not require a tax increase. Each proposed reduction, as well as the elected officer or department head's responses to these cuts, was discussed.

Probate Judge Bernice Gilder said she had already reduced her budget request by five percent as requested earlier by the Commission, and stated that she could not live with the additional \$1,544 reduction recommended by Administrator Gilmour. Commissioner

Miller pointed out that Ms. Gilder's budget request was still \$11,000 more than the previous year.

Sheriff Wayne Bennett protested the additional \$100,000 cut to his \$2.5 million budget proposed by Administrator Gilmour, while Tax Commissioner Florence Dees and the District Attorney's Staff said they could live with their proposed cuts.

Magistrate Ernest Gilbert and Public Defender James Yancey said they were working at maximum activity level, but did not specifically object to cuts in their budgets.

Commissioner Miller opposed reduction of County funding for the Department of Family & Children Services by \$54,506.00.

Administrator Gilmour announced that the Board of Commissioners had already complied with state statute public hearing requirements on budget adoption, and they could hold as many or as few additional meetings as they wished before adopting the budget.

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County Attorney Budget and Operation.

Commissioner Miller Moved to authorize County Attorney Gary Moore to negotiate the services of a local private attorney to handle right-of-way acquisition and condemnations for Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Projects at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 during the coming budget year, and to present said proposal back to the Commission for final approval.

Commissioner Lynn seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Miller, Lynn, Lyde, Hardman and Pate.

Abstaining: Commissioner Gunn and Chairman Boyne.

Motion adopted.

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Report on FY 93 Budget.

Administrator Gilmour and Finance Director Charles Lewis announced that the County ended the FY 93 budget year with total expenditures of \$25,500,677.00 and a budget surplus of nearly \$500,000.00.

St. Simons Island resident Howard Taylor said he felt this information was inaccurate and something was wrong with the County's method of keeping records.

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Review of Special Fund Budgets for FY 94.

Administrator Gilmour presented line item recommendations on proposed special fund budgets for FY 94, and discussion of each of these items followed.

Selena Jones, a two-year temporary employee at the St. Simons Recycling Center, made a plea that she and other temporary employees be given regular benefits including insurance, and she asked what would be done with their positions in the new budget.

Administrator Gilmour responded that staffing would be determined by funding levels set by the Commission, however, persons in temporary positions who continued working beyond half time would be shifted over to full time positions and treated fairly.

Chairman Boyne commented that Ms. Jones' questions would be answered more completely by the Commission at a later time.

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Called Meeting Scheduled.

Chairman Boyne asked each Commissioner to inform Administrator Gilmour of any changes they felt were needed to his budget recommendations as soon as possible, and he felt budget adoption could be resolved by mid-September.

He then announced that the Commission would meet in called session on Monday, August 30, 1993, at 6:00 p.m., for further budget review.

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Solid Waste Disposal Arrangement with Camden County.

On behalf of the Commission, Chairman Boyne authorized Administrator Gilmour and Attorney Gary Moore to develop a recommendation for the Commission's consideration regarding Wayne County's request to transport solid waste to Glynn County on a temporary basis.

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Items Purchased for Recreation & Mosquito Control.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the following expenditures, as recommended by Administrator Gilmour.

Recreation Supplies	\$ 19,870.19
Mosquito Control Supplies	\$ 17,008.00
	\$ 13,500.00

Commissioner Lyde seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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New Forestry Headquarters Construction Project.

With regard to the new Forestry Headquarters being constructed by the State Forestry Department, and pursuant to recommendation by Administrator Gilmour, Commissioner Pate moved that:

- 1) The Board of Commissioners handle the well portion of this project from the \$95,000.00 budgeted by the County; and
- 2) The bid of Woodrow Sapp for drilling the well and installing a pump and tank, in the amount of \$5,375.00, be accepted; and
- 3) That bonding requirements be waived because of the small size of this portion of the project.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Payment of Jury and Witness Fees.

Commissioner Lyde moved to authorize payment of a prior year expenditure of \$50-\$60 to a Mr. Lorri for jury and witness fees, as recommended by Administrator Gilmour.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

DOT LARP List.

Administrator Gilmour announced that the Department of Transportation had asked Glynn County to provide a list of roads they would like DOT to resurface under the LARP Program, and he would work with Staff in presenting such a list for the Commission's approval at the next regular meeting.

DOT Request for County Assistance with Various Road Projects.

Administrator Gilmour announced that the Department of Transportation had requested County assistance with utility relocation and purchase of right-of-way for various road improvement projects in the County including Highway 341 at I-95, one of the bridges on U.S. 17, and Fourth Street, and he recommended that DOT be notified that the County did not have funding for this purpose at this time. There being no opposition expressed by the Commission, Administrator Gilmour said he would notify DOT accordingly.

E-911 Street Renaming and Renumbering System.

Administrator Gilmour announced that a request had been received from the local post office that the County Administrator be authorized to change the names of streets and roads where duplication existed; and he suggested that the procedure already in place which provided for public hearings and approval by the Commission continue. Along those lines, he advised that the first round of public hearings on such changes was anticipated to take place at the first meeting in September.

Chairman Boyne directed Administrator Gilmour to continue the process already in place.

News Media Nominated for Urban Forestry Awards.

On behalf of the Commission, Chairman Boyne approved Administrator Gilmour's recommendation that The Brunswick News and The Islander be nominated for a Joint Urban Forestry Award in recognition of their coverage of Glynn County's Tree Inventory Program.

DOT Borrow Pit on Jetport Road Released.

Commissioner Pate moved to authorize Chairman Boyne to execute a release of Soil Easement Agreement previously granted to the

Department of Transportation which allowed them to use a borrow pit off the Jetport Road for local road work that had been completed, as recommended by Administrator Gilmour.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Fence Installation on Community/Cypress Mill Road.

Commissioner Miller moved to accept the bid of Associated Fence Specialist in the amount of \$2,587,00 for installing a fence for the Community/Cypress Mill Road Project to fulfill a requirement of right-of-way acquisition; with the funds to be paid from Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, as recommended by Administrator Gilmour.

Commissioner Lynn seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Removal of Public Beach Access at St. Simons Pier.

Administrator Gilmour presented recommendation from Building Official Vernon Lewis that Public Works be authorized to remove or cover over the steps to the unsafe public beach access located beside the St. Simons Pier at Neptune Park upon completion of a new beach access currently under construction a short distance away.

Chairman Boyne voiced the Commission's approval of this course of action.

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Demolition of Building for MLK Boulevard Project.

Commissioner Miller moved to authorize Staff to proceed with removal of the unsafe office portion of the old maintenance building located on property recently acquired by the County from the Board of Education for the MLK Boulevard Project; with said removal to be accomplished by either the County or private enterprise as determined appropriate by Administrator Gilmour.

Commissioner Lynn seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Selden Park Selected for Grant Application.

Administrator Gilmour announced that Glynn County had the opportunity of applying to the State for Local Development Grant Funds to develop a recreational facility, and he recommend rehabilitation of ballfields at Ballard Park or construction of a ballfield at Blythe Island Regional Park as being most likely to receive funding based on past history. He commented that a similar grant had been received for Selden Park the previous year, and the

State agency issuing these funds generally preferred to spread the money around to different projects and locations.

Commissioners Lynn and Lyde favored submittal of request for funds to develop a ballfield at Blythe Island Regional Park for use by Park visitors.

Commissioner Miller moved to request funds for construction of another ballfield at Selden Park. Commissioner Pate seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Request for Additional Payment on Police Vehicle Repair.

Administrator Lee Gilmour reported that a local vendor recently performed repairs to a wrecked 1993 Police automobile at a quoted price of \$6,350.00, and the automobile was back in service. He said the vendor was requesting additional payment of \$1,480.00 for this work, however, he recommended that the vendor be required to live with his quote. Police Chief Carl Alexander concurred with this recommendation.

Attorney Gary Moore said if the vendor encountered additional work that was not part of his original estimate the Commission could consider compensating him accordingly. Commissioner Hardman stated that it was not uncommon to find more damages than were originally evident once an automobile was dismantled and the work begun.

Commissioner Miller moved to deny the vendor's request for additional compensation and require him to live with his original quote.

Commissioner Lynn seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Miller, Lynn, Gunn, Lyde, Pate and Chairman Boyne.

Abstaining: Commissioner Hardman.

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Right of Entry with CSX Transportation on MLK Boulevard Extended.

Commissioner Pate moved to authorize Chairman Boyne to execute a 60-extension of right-of-entry agreement with CSX Transportation on the Martin Luther King Boulevard Project, as recommended by County Attorney Gary Moore.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

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Meeting to Discuss Beach Access at King & Prince Hotel.

County Attorney Gary Moore announced plans to schedule a meeting with King & Prince Hotel officials during the coming week to discuss public beach access, and he asked all Commissioners who wanted to participate in this meeting to so advise him.

Chairman Boyne replied that he and at least two other Commissioners would participate.

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Adjourn For Executive Session.


Commissioner Hardman moved to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel situation and potential litigation, and then to adjourn the regular meeting.

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

No action was taken in executive session.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,  
GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA

  
Robert H. "Bob" Boyne

ATTEST:

Martha Dominey  
Clerk