

**MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS
MARCH 28, 2011**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, March 28, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson presiding. Commissioners Robert Moore, Johnnie Lee Roper, Dennis Josey and Marty Swain were in attendance. Mayor Jackie L. Wilson and Commissioner Olivia Pearson were absent.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Dennis Josey gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lieutenant Junior Grade Moya of the Coffee County JROTC led The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MAYOR PRO TEM RONNIE ANDERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson announced the absence of Mayor Jackie L. Wilson and City Manager Terrell Jacobs and Commissioner Pearson. Mayor Pro Tem Anderson also acknowledged the passing of Commissioner Bob Moore's brother-in-law.

MINUTE ADOPTION

The following minutes were unanimously approved:

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A MOTION was made by Commissioner Bob Moore to approve the minutes of the previous meeting; it was seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper. The motion was unanimously carried by the Mayor and Commission. **(5-0)**

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The Mayor and Commission unanimously approved **(5-0)** the order of the agenda.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Dennis Josey, for approval of the order of the agenda; Commissioner Marty Swain seconded the motion.

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APPROVAL OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE AND STATE AUDIT RENTAL AGREEMENT

Upon recommendation from Dale Batten, Community Development Director, the Mayor Pro Tem and Commission unanimously approved **(5-0)** to execute the Assignment of Lease between City of Douglas and the Douglas Coffee County Industrial Authority, d/b/a the Douglas Economic Development Authority and approve the Rental Agreement between the City of Douglas and the Department of the Audits for the State Audit Building located at 160 Elton D. Brooks Boulevard.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper for approval and seconded by Commissioner Dennis Josey.

APPROVAL OF CLOSING OF COLLEGE PARK DRIVE

Upon recommendation from Randall Parker, Permit and Inspections Division, the Mayor Pro Tem and Commission unanimously approved **(5-0)** the request from South Georgia college to close West College Park Drive on Friday, April 22, 2011, for the time that is required to complete the training exercise. Also, on Thursday, May 5, 2011, from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for the Graduation Ceremony.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Bob Moore for approval and seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER

Upon recommendation from Charles Davis, Assistant City Manager, the Mayor Pro Tem and Commission unanimously approved **(5-0)** that Mrs. Charlotte Maley be reappointed to the Coffee County Board of Health.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Bob Moore for approval and seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper.

APPROVAL OF THE UPGRADE OF PHONE SYSTEM FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Upon recommendation from Charles Davis, Assistant City Manager, the Mayor Pro Tem and Commission unanimously approved **(5-0)** the phone system upgrade, fiber run, and voice recording system for the police department due to the relocation and authorized Mayor Pro Tm Ronnie Anderson to sign contract.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Bob Moore for approval and seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Georgia Henderson, Central Services Director presented the following upcoming events:

- The History of Industry will be held on April 6, 2011 from Wednesday 4 a.m. -6 p.m. at the Heritage Station Museum. This event will be hosted by the Douglas-Coffee County Chamber & Economic Development Authority.
- Michael Hudson, Gas Department Director encouraged citizens to participate with the Main Street Finance Program through the City of Douglas Natural Gas Department to upgrade their gas appliances to Energy Star Appliances. Mr. Hudson stated that in- house financing is available from 12 months to 60 months. Credit will be determined based upon a customer's payment history. Citizens who apply must also be residential Natural Gas customer.
- Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson stated that he was very pleased with the tank- less heater that he recently purchased from the Natural Gas Department through the Main Street Finance Program. Mayor Pro Tem Anderson encouraged citizens to take advantage of the Main Street Finance Program.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper expressed concerns of the possibility of gas gouging in Coffee County due to the increase of gas prices.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Dennis Josey made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marty Swain, and approved by all at 7:12 pm.

Ronnie Anderson, Mayor Pro Tem

Wynetta J. Bolder, City Clerk