

**THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

The Board of Commissioners of Effingham County, Georgia, Mr. C. D. Zeigler, Chairman, Mrs. Myra W. Lewis, Vice-Chairperson, Mrs. Verna H. Phillips, Mr. Jeffrey A. Utley, Mr. Reginald S. Loper, Sr. and Mr. Robert Brantley met in regular session at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Effingham County Administrative Complex.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Mr. Eric Gotwalt, County Attorney, Mr. David Crawley, County Administrator, Mr. George Shaw, Zoning Administrator, Mrs. Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk, Mrs. Rushe Hudzinski-Sero, Human Resources Director, Mrs. Joanna Wright, Finance Director, Mr. Adam Kobek, Project Manager, Mr. Steve Liotta, County Engineer, Mrs. Ruth Lee, Mr. Pete Lancaster, Mr. Jim Simmons, Ms. Margaret Coombe, Ms. Geneva Clark, Mr. Pat Clark, Mr. Cornell Mock, Sr., Mr. F. Parker Rahn, Mr. Gary Johnson, Mr. Dick Knowlton, Mr. Mark Crapps, and Mr. Jason Wells.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Zeigler called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

Vice-Chairperson Lewis gave the invocation and led the Pledge to the American Flag.

AGENDA APPROVAL

County Clerk Crawley explained that there were two issues that the Board needs to approve before the next Commissioners Meeting. The first one is to approve the local assistance road program certificate of ownership and agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the second being the annexation proposal from the City of Springfield. Old Business number 2 can be moved to Consent Agenda number 10.

County Administrator Crawley explained that the applicants for Planning Board Old Business number 1 and New Business number 2 have requested to table their item to August 18th.

Commissioner Loper made a motion to approve the Agenda Resolution with adding New Business Number 15 – Consideration to approve a local assistance road program certificate of ownership and agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation, New Business Number 16 – Consideration to approve the annexation proposal from the City of Springfield, tabling Planning Board Old Business Number 01

and Planning Board New Business Number 02, and moving Old Business Number 02 to Consent Agenda Number 10. Vice-Chairperson Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Commissioner Loper requested clarification from County Attorney Gotwalt on the July 1, 2009 minutes.

Commissioner Brantley made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 16, and June 26, 2009 Board of Commissioners Meeting. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

WORKSHOP

Service Delivery Strategy - County Administrator Crawley and County Engineer Liotta explained that there are three issues to address as part of the workshop. The first is the proposal from the City of Rincon concerning their desired service delivery area, the second is the extension of water/sewer/reuse infrastructure along the Old Augusta Road corridor to Grandview and the third is the Counties proposal to GEFA concerning amendment of the loan conditions.

The City of Rincon has recently submitted its own proposal for service delivery. This would have a direct effect on the feasibility of the county serving Grandview and Mallard Point Phase II, which both of these developments have signed water and sewer agreements with the County and have provided letters of credit.

The engineers representing Grandview, Thomas & Hutton, have questioned staff and our consultants (PCDG) regarding the status of the engineering design for the water, sewer, and reuse lines from their current end point on Highway 21 at the Exley/New Savannah tracts up the Old Augusta Road right-of-way to Grandview. In their opinion, it is virtually impossible for the site to compete with other sites in Georgia and other states that already have utilities in place. They believe that the utilities are needed now before a prospect comes to visit or they will be behind and at a disadvantage.

The engineering design is complete up to Chimney Road; however, the remainder of the route is unfinished, mostly due to the fact that the roadway plans were not complete. There is also uncertainty regarding the sizes of water and sewer pipe needed to serve these areas, especially since the usage at Grandview is a huge unknown. The lack of

a final Service Delivery area boundary between the County and Rincon also makes designing these pipes difficult. Because of these two factors, the pipes are likely to be either over-design (higher cost than actually necessary) or under-designed (not enough capacity to serve industrial prospects).

It is questionable as to whether the project will pay for itself unless other properties develop along the route.

BUDGET

County Administrator Crawley explained that the Board of Commissioners has conducted several discussions concerning the 09/10 budget. Several of the outstanding issues include merit and cost of living increases, new positions, frozen positions, and other agency funding.

Currently staff has proposed a 4% cost of living increase, equal to \$509,136 and a merit increase of 2% equal to \$109,780. One question raised during our previous meeting was “What are other counties in Georgia doing?”. Staff contacted 36 counties in Georgia of varying size and requested information concerning compensation increase for their employees. Most counties contacted do not propose or did not approve an increase for employees. However, several counties did propose an increase in some form. Effingham County was 14% below the average pay scale before the compensation survey that was conducted several years ago. Pay scales were increase by 7% as directed by the Board of Commissioners with direction that cost of living increase would be provided over time to reduce the 7% reaming difference. Cost of living (CPI) is estimated to be 3.8% for the 2009 calendar year.

Currently, staff has proposed to freeze several positions in the budget as they are demand based positions. Board approval would be required to fill any frozen positions.

Other agencies have been another area of discussion. The current total budget for other agencies is \$791,105 and as approved by the Board of the Commissioners, staff has included a graded reduction in the budget of the several agencies.

Staff has significantly reduced employee travel during the interim period as we work to finalize the approved budget. This will result in additional cost savings although the savings can't be quantified at this time.

Mrs. Ruth Lee requested to know how to receive a copy of the budget and the date of the public hearing. County Clerk Crawley explained that a copy of the proposed budget

will be available at the Commissioners' office and that the next budget public hearing will be held August 4th at 6:30 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Commissioners started their regular session at 3:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

RECOGNITION OF SENIOR CITIZENS DIRECTOR MARGARET MOORE FOR WINNING THE DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES 2009 (01):

County Administrator Crawley explained that Mrs. Margaret Moore has been working as the director of the Effingham County Senior Citizens Center since 1993 with an exemplary record of service to the Seniors of Effingham County. Mrs. Moore was nominated for the Outstanding Senior Center Manager of the Year in 2009, sponsored by the Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging Services and went on to win the award.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Zeigler read out loud the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve the following:

- (01) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 419-1 for the application by Gregg Howze to rezone 950 acres from AR-2 to AR-1 located off of Godley Road with the following stipulations:
 - 01. Each lot shall meet the requirements of AR-1 zoning district
 - 02. Site development plans shall comply with the Effingham County Water Resources Protection Ordinance and the Stormwater Management Local Design Manual
 - 03. All wetland impacts shall be permitted by USACE
 - 04. Subdivision plat shall be approved by the Health Department and the Zoning Office
 - 05. The off road vehicle park shall meet all requirements of 5.1.1.4 of the Zoning Ordinance including a 300 foot buffer from any residential property.
 - 06. Hours of operation shall be limited to daylight hours only
 - 07. A site development plan shall be submitted to the Planning and Engineering department
- (02) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 318-14 for the application by Gregg Howze to rezone 25 acres located off of Springfield Tusculum Road from R-1 to AR-1 in the Third District with the following stipulations:
 - 01. Each lot shall meet the requirements of the AR-1 zoning district
 - 02. Site development plans shall comply with the Effingham County Water Resources Protection Ordinance and the Stormwater Management Local Design Manual
 - 03. All wetland impacts shall be permitted by USACE
 - 04. Subdivision plat shall be approved by the Health Department and the Zoning Office
 - 05. There shall be a minimum of half acre lots in the remaining R-1 tract
- (03) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 318-14 for the application by Gregg Howze for an experimental development to allow for an equestrian development located off of Springfield Tusculum Road with the following stipulations:
 - 01. Roads shall meet all County road standards with the exception of pavement

02. The roads shall remain private roads. The roads shall be brought up to county standards if they shall ever need to be deeded to the County.
 03. A homeowners association or other similar entity shall be created to maintain the roads and common areas
 04. An assessment structure shall be created to ensure sufficient funds are available to maintain the roads and common areas
- (04) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 391-11 for an application by Bobby Wilson to rezone 2 acres located on Race Path Road from AR-1 to AR-2 with the following stipulations:
01. Each lot shall meet the requirements of the AR-2 zoning district
 02. Site development plans shall comply with the Effingham County Water Resources Protection Ordinance and the Stormwater Management Local Design Manual
 03. All wetland impacts shall be permitted by USACE
 04. Subdivision plat shall be approved by the Health Department and the Zoning Office
- (05) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 391-11 for an application by Robert Macke, Jr to rezone 2.01 acres located on McCall Road from AR-1 to AR-2 with the following stipulations:
01. Each lot shall meet the requirements of the AR-2 zoning district
 02. Site development plans shall comply with the Effingham County Water Resources Protection Ordinance and the Stormwater Management Local Design Manual.
 03. All wetland impacts shall be permitted by USACE
 04. Subdivision plat shall be approved by the Health Department and the Zoning Office
 05. Only a site built home shall be constructed on said property.
- (06) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 475-58B, 70 for an application by Joseph Shearouse to rezone 1.96 acres located at 193 Old Augusta Road from AR-1/I-1 to AR-2
- (07) Request for release of penalties as submitted by the Tax Commissioner
- (08) Request for release of property taxes as submitted by the Tax Commissioner
- (09) Request for release for mobile home taxes as submitted by the Tax Commissioner
- (10) Second Reading to amend the Zoning Map 419-1 for an application by Gregg Howze for conditional use to locate at 108 Godley Road to operate an off road vehicle facility with the following stipulations:
01. Roads shall meet all County road standards with the exception of pavement
 02. The roads shall remain private roads. The roads shall be brought up to County standards if they shall ever need to be deeded to the County.
 03. A home owners association or other similar entity shall be created to maintain the roads and common areas
 04. An assessment structure shall be created to ensure sufficient funds are available to maintain the roads and common areas

Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPEARANCE

DICK KNOWLTON AND RICKEY KICKLIGHTER – Mr. Dick Knowlton updated the Board on proposed industrial development along the Old Augusta Road corridor.

Mrs. Ruth Lee, Mr. Mark Crapps, and Mr. Henry Lawson spoke in favor of the industrial development.

RAMSEY MANNON – Sergeant Mannon from the Effingham County Sheriff's Department explained that Sheriff's office has been selected to receive a \$21,374 grant upon application and approval from the Federal Department of Justice. The purpose of

the grant is to purchase 20 ThinkPad laptops for use in patrol cars, as well as 20 laptop vehicle mounts, and 20 data cards for the laptops. Deputies will be capable of completing reports and other work on the laptops without ever leaving their patrol districts. The laptops will provide better officer safety, saving manpower, and increasing investigative speed. The grant funding will pay 100% for the equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE SECOND READING TO AMEND ZONING MAP 331-1 & 2 FOR AN APPLICATION BY R. B. BAKER CONSTRUCTION FOR CONDITIONAL USE LOCATED AT 1635 OLD RIVER ROAD IN THE FIRST DISTRICT (01): Zoning Administrator Shaw explained that staff had met with the representative of R. B. Baker concerning their rezoning application for conditional use located at 1635 Old River Road. Mr. Michael Willoughby with R. B. Baker had sent a letter to the Board requesting reconsideration of the stipulations that the Board put on the rezoning at their Jun 16th meeting. They feel the restrictions need to be removed in order to operate the site efficiently.

Mr. Henry Lawson with R. B. Baker explained the concerns with the stipulations.

County Administrator Crawley requested that the item be tabled until staff could get with the R. B. Baker's engineer concerning the accel and decel lane.

Commissioner Brantley made a motion to table the request to the August 18th meeting so that staff may meet with R.B. Baker's engineer. Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONTINUE - NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR A GRANT TO MEET WITH FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE DISASTER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000 (02): Public Safety Director Ashcraft explained that the Federal Emergency Management Agency has approved the application for funding to update the local Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan is focused on determining local natural and man-made hazards in our community and identifying mitigation projects to reduce their impact should they occur.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve an agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency for a grant to meet federal requirements of the Disaster

Mitigation Act of 2000 (see minute book page __). Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE AGING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE COASTAL GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER (03):

Finance Director Wright explained that each year the county renews a contract with Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center to be the provider of aging services to senior citizens in Effingham County. The center provides meals and recreation activities to Effingham County Seniors. The funding from the County, RDC and various other sources are used to operate the Senior Citizens Center.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve the Aging Services Contract with the Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center (see minute book page ____). Vice-Chairperson Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LIGHT AGREEMENT WITH GEORGIA POWER FOR ABERCORN LANDING (04):

Project Manager Kobek explained that the Recreation Department has secured a Local Assistance Grant to help offset the costs of lighting Abercorn Landing off Old Augusta Road. Planned improvements to the boat landing have been put on hold for adequate lighting to boost security to the site.

Commissioner Loper made a motion to approve a light agreement with Georgia Power for Abercorn Landing (see minute book page __). Vice-Chairperson Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A RIDER FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT AT THE MULTI-AGENCY CALL CENTER WITH ADT SECURITY SERVICES (05):

Project Manager Kobek explained that the Board of Commissioners has previously approved a contract for the installation and maintenance of the key card access control system at the Multi-Agency Call Center. The building is fully monitored by closed caption video, security fencing and pass entry gate. In a measure to heighten security at the site, staff recommends an additional access card reader for a rear entry door.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve a rider for additional equipment at the Multi-Agency Call Center with ADT Security Services (see minute book page ____). Commissioner Brantley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A CAPACITY AGREEMENT WITH GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION (06): Project Manager Kobek explained that a yearly contract stipulates what the county will receive in compensation for housing state inmates at the Effingham County Prison. At this time, the Prison will house up to 250 state inmates and will receive \$20 per day, per inmate. The Commissioner of Corrections has sole authority with respects to transfers to and from county correctional institution. The state pays medical bills in excess of \$1,000. The approximate cost per day per inmate is \$39.51.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve the capacity agreement with Georgia Department of Corrections (see minute book page __). Vice-Chairman Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO S.R. 119 (07): County Administrator Crawley explained that the Board of Commissioners approved a county contract with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the construction of a center lane along Highway 119 adjacent to the new middle school. The County Attorney and the School Board's attorney created a contract to assure proper reimbursement and record keeping in compliance with the Department of Transportation requirements.

Commissioner Loper made a motion to approve an agreement with the Board of Education for the construction of road improvements to S. R. 119 (see minute book page). Commissioner Brantley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN SCREVEN COUNTY AND EFFINGHAM COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF HOUSING EFFINGHAM COUNTY PRISONERS IN THE SCREVEN COUNTY JAIL (08): County Administrator Crawley explained that the Sheriff's department houses inmates at the Screven County Jail. The Effingham County Attorney and the Screven County Attorney have drafted an agreement for housing these inmates.

Commissioner Brantley made a motion to approve an intergovernmental agreement between Screven County and Effingham County for the provision of housing Effingham County Prisoners in the Screven County Jail (see minute book page __). Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SECURE ALERT, INC. FOR ANKLE BRACELETS (09): County Administrator Crawley explained that the Sherriff wants to enter into an agreement with Secure Alert, Inc. to monitor inmates that are on house arrest. The cost of this agreement will be paid by the inmate.

Vice-Chairperson Lewis made a motion to approve a lease agreement with Secure Alert, Inc. for Ankle Bracelets (see minute book page _). Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO REAPPOINT MRS. EFFIE HUNTER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD TO REPRESENT THE THIRD DISTRICT (10): County Clerk Crawley explained that Mrs. Effie Hunter has been representing the Third District for the past several years and has agreed for another five year term.

Commissioner Utley made a motion to reappoint Mrs. Effie Hunter to the Department of Family and Children Services Board. Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT DEWAYNE LADNER TO THE IDA BOARD TO REPRESENT THE 9TH GMD DISTRICT (11): Commissioner Phillips explained that her previously appointed representative was not able to make the IDA meetings. Mr. DeWayne Ladner is interested in representing the 9th GMD District for the remainder of the term.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to appoint DeWayne Ladner to the IDA Board to represent the 9th GMD District. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT M. DOUG MORGAN AND JAMIE DELOACH TO THE MIDDLE COASTAL UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (12): County Clerk Crawley explained that Mr. Herb Jones and Mr. Lamar Allen have been previously representing Effingham County on the Middle Coastal Unified Development Authority. Both of these gentlemen have not been able to put in the necessary time and have resigned from the authority. Mr. M. Doug Morgan and Mr. Jamie Deloach are interested in serving on this authority.

Commissioner Brantley made a motion to appoint M. Doug Morgan and Jamie Deloach to the Middle Coastal Unified Development Authority for the term of four years. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL POLICY FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (13): Chairman Zeigler explained that in light of the trying economic times, a travel policy for the Board of Commissioners is needed.

Chairman Zeigler made a motion to approve the travel policy for the Board of Commissioners (see minute book page __). Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion. Commissioner Loper opposed the motion. Chairman Zeigler, Vice-Chairperson Lewis, Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner, Utley, and Commissioner Brantley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE UPCOMING TRAVEL FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (14): County Clerk Crawley explained that due to the previous travel policy that was approved, the Board needs to approve the upcoming travel for the Board.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve August 27th Effingham County Chamber Retreat for Chairman Zeigler and September 2nd ACCG Natural Resources and Environmental for Commissioner Loper. Commissioner Utley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A LOCAL ASSISTANCE ROAD PROGRAM CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP AND AGREEMENT WITH GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (15): County Administrator Crawley explained that the Georgia Department of Transportation has requested a list from the Board of Commissioners of resurfacing needs for the local roads system. Since funding was stopped for the 2009, staff recommends approving the list that was submitted last year to Georgia Department of Transportation.

Commissioner Utley made a motion to approve a local assistance road program certificate of ownership and agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation and to send the 2009 Board approved list for the 2010 approved LARP list. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE ANNEXATION PROPOSAL FROM THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD (16): County Administrator Crawley explained

that the City of Springfield has accepted a petition for annexation for F. Lamar & Bonnie Allen (parcel number 03670-002-000) and Terry Cornwell (0389B-001-000).

Commissioner Utley made a motion to approve the annexation proposal from the City of Springfield. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

DINNER BREAK

At 5:23 p.m., the Board took a break for dinner.

PLANNING BOARD PRESENTMENTS

Chairman Zeigler explained that Planning Board Old Business Number 01 and New Business Number 02 were tabled to August 18th during the agenda approval.

NEW BUSINESS

HENRY S. MORGAN – PUBLIC HEARING (03): A Public Hearing was held on the application by Henry S. Morgan for a three year extension on a mining operation Map 355 Parcel 3 located on U.S. 80 in the First District.

Zoning Administrator Shaw presented the request.

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Brantley made a motion to approve the First Reading of the amendment to the Effingham County Zoning Ordinance, Map and Parcel No. 355-3 for a three year extension on a mining operation located on U. S. 80 with the following stipulations:

1. Conditional use for surface mining only.
2. Activities must comply with Sec. 3.17 of the Zoning Ordinance.
3. Applicant must provide copy of State Mining Permit.
4. Zoning will revert back to AR-1 upon completion of mining activities.
5. A plat must be submitted for the I-1 parcel.
6. Hours of operation will be restricted to 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday only as an emergency. (Zoning Administrator must be notified prior to Saturday operations).
7. Mining activities must be completed within 3 years of the date of the extension approval.

Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C B SAND – PUBLIC HEARING (02) - A Public Hearing was held on the application by CB Sand to rezone 36.76 acres located on Jerrel Woods Road from Map 276 Parcel 16 from AR-1 to I-1 in the Second District.

Zoning Administrator Shaw presented the request.

There where no public comments.

Vice-Chairperson Lewis made a motion to approve the First Reading of the amendment to the Effingham County Zoning Ordinance, Map and Parcel No. 276-16 to

rezone 36.76 acres located on Jerrel Woods Road from AR-1 to I-1 with the following stipulations:

1. Applicant must meet all requirements of the I-1 heavy zoning district including buffer requirements
2. Applicant must meet all requirements of Sec. 3.17 of the Zoning Ordinance.
3. Applicant must show proof of State mining permit.
4. All wetland impacts must be approved by USACE.
5. Jerrel Woods Road and Allison Road must not be used for entry or exit from the site. Murray Hill Road will serve as the entry or exit from the site.
6. Hours of operation will be 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
7. If dredging noise becomes a nuisance, then Code Enforcement will address it.

Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PATRICIA DRUMMOND – PUBLIC HEARING (05): A Public Hearing was held on the application by Patricia Drummond for a conditional use for party events and rentals located at 2779 Hwy 119 North Map 407-24 in the Third District.

Zoning Administrator Shaw presented the request.

There were no public comments

Commissioner Utley made a motion to approve the First Reading of the amendment to the Effingham County Zoning Ordinance, Map and Parcel No. 407-24 for a conditional use for party events and rentals located at 2779 Hwy 119 North. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AMBRA METZGER – PUBLIC HEARING (04): A Public Hearing was held on the application by Ambra Metzger for a conditional use located at 132 Huger Street to operate an in home daycare Map 466A Parcel 63 in the Fifth District.

Zoning Administrator Shaw presented the request.

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to approve the First Reading of the amendment to the Effingham County Zoning Ordinance, Map and Parcel No. 466A-63 for a conditional use located at 132 Huger Street to operate an in home daycare with the following stipulations:

1. Site must meet all State requirements.
2. Applicant must be licensed by the State.
3. All outdoor play areas must be fenced.

Commissioner Brantley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Commissioner Brantley discussed the following:

- ◆ Hwy 80 drainage issue

Commissioner Loper discussed the following:

- ◆ Chip and seal for ash roads

Commissioner Utley discussed the following:

- ◆ Morgan Road

Public Safety Director Ashcraft discussed the following:

- ◆ Use of the landfill property

County Administrator Crawley discussed the following:

- ◆ Old Augusta Phase I and II
- ◆ Hwy 80 drainage issues
- ◆ Transportation Committee
- ◆ Transportation Engineer
- ◆ Effingham Parkway
- ◆ Courthouse renovation update
- ◆ Rural Region Transportation
- ◆ Ambulance request from the Sheriff
- ◆ Sheriff's administration and jail renovation
- ◆ EMS/OMNI
- ◆ Multi-Agency Call center
- ◆ Impact Fees
- ◆ Water and Sewer
- ◆ GEFA Grant
- ◆ Building at the Commercial Park

CONTINUE REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES

After reviewing the July 1, 2009 minutes, County Attorney Gotwalt made a correction to the minutes.

Commissioner Utley made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 1, 2009 Board of Commissioners Meeting with corrections. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:40 p.m., Chairman Zeigler made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, property and pending litigation. Commissioner Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator Crawley and Commissioners discussed personnel, property and pending litigations. (See copy of Chairperson's affidavit on minute book page number _____).

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:28 p.m. Chairman Zeigler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairperson Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.