

**The Effingham County Board of Commissioners**  
**Recreation Master Plan Workshop**

The Board of Commissioners of Effingham County, Georgia, Mr. Wendall Kessler, Chairman, Mr. Phil Kieffer, Vice Chairman, Mr. Forrest Floyd, Mrs. Vera Jones, and Mr. Reginald Loper met in a workshop at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 in the Commission Meeting Room at the Effingham County Administrative Complex. Commissioner Mason was not present.

**PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING**

Mr. Toss Allen, Interim County Administrator, Mr. Adam Kobek, Community Relations Director, Mr. Clarence Morgan, Recreation Director, Mr. Craig Johnson, Mr. Robert Hunter, Mr. Douglas Kirkland, G.G. Rigsby, Mr. King Evans, Mr. Patrick Graham, , Mr. Jamie Deloach, Mr. Patrick Donahue.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Kessler called the workshop to order.

**PRESENTATION**

Community Relations Director Kobek explained to date CHA Sports has held stakeholder meetings with the Recreation Board, Administrative Staff and a joint workshop on September 9, 2014 with both the County Commission and Recreation Board.

Based on their observations, site assessments and input from these previous fact findings, a phased approach to the implementation of a 10 year master plan has been created. After comments are received tonight the County will begin funding and pricing discussions.

Mr. Patrick Graham, with CHA Sports presented the three (3) phase 10 year implementation plan for the Effingham County draft Recreation Master Plan which included: master plan process, inventory assessment, and comparison of park facilities, inventory summary, development standards, usage, and public involvement, summary of responses to questionnaire, and preliminary recommendations and suggested improvements.

There was a discussion about final budget numbers for the project.

Mr. King Evans and Mr. Patrick Graham spoke with the Board about other projects their company has completed in other counties.

Recreation Director Morgan reminded the Board that the project must be able to fit on the chosen property and shared ideas of what the facilities should include.

The Board agreed to place on the next Commission agenda for consideration to purchase the property located on Hwy 21 South for the use of the recreation facilities.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The workshop adjourned at 8:11pm.

  
Wendall Kessler, Chairman

  
Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk