

**HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
JUNE 23, 2015 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on June 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse.

In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner Keri Denney, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, District 5 Commissioner Joe Adams, and County Attorney Jerry Ann Conner. Chairman Boone called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. Mr. Jerry Nixon, Heard County resident, gave the invocation.

**Agenda Item # 3 – Public Hearing – Road Abandonment of Evans Drive** – Chairman Boone opened the public hearing and read the request to abandon Evans Drive and asked for any public comments. There being no public comments and no comments from the Board, on motion (Adams) and second (Denney), the Board unanimously voted to close the public hearing.

**Agenda Item # 4 – Approval of Minutes** – On motion (Denney) and second (Hammond), the Board unanimously approved the minutes from May 26, 2015 as presented. On motion (Hooks) and second (Adams), the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from June 9, 2015 as presented.

**Agenda Item # 5 – Amend Agenda** – None.

**Agenda Item # 6 – New Business – a. Approve 2015-2016 Budget** – Chairman Boone asked the Board to adopt the 2015-2016 budget as advertised. On motion (Caldwell) and second (Adams), the Board unanimously approved the 2015-2016 budget as advertised.

**b. Decision on Road Abandonment of Evans Drive** – On motion (Adams) and second (Denney), the Board unanimously approved to abandon Evans Drive.

**c. Discuss Ordinance Regarding Timber Permits** – Chairman Boone stated he recently received a letter from Georgia Forestry stating changes that were to be effective July 1, 2015 regarding timber harvesting. He stated that the changes have been made to our ordinance to reflect said changes and approved by the County Attorney. He asked the Board to approve the amendment to the ordinance. On motion (Hooks) and second (Denney), the Board unanimously approved this request.

**d. Discuss Appointment to Heard County Board of Family and Children Services (DFACS)** – Chairman Boone stated that he recently received a letter from Heard County Board of Family and Children Services (DFACS) stating that Mrs. Marsha Harper's term on the DFACS Board will expire on June 30, 2015. The letter stated that Mrs. Harper would like to be reappointed to the DFACS Board. On motion (Caldwell) and second (Hooks), the Board voted 4-1 to reappoint Mrs. Harper. Commissioner Denney abstained due to Mrs. Harper's relation to Commissioner Denney. Commissioner Hooks, Caldwell, Hammond and Adams voted for the motion.

**e. Discuss Amendment to Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Resolution – County Attorney, Jerry Ann Conner** – County Attorney, Jerry Ann Conner presented changes to the underwriting policy for the economic development revolving loan fund (RLF) on behalf of the Heard County Development Authority. She went over the changes made to the resolution (attached). She stated that the Heard County Development Authority would take the applications for this loan and the Board of Commissioners would ultimately have the final approval of an applicant. After some discussion, on motion (Denney) and second (Hammond),

the Board unanimously approved these changes and gave Chairman Boone the authority to sign on the Board's behalf.

**Agenda Item # 7 – Old Business – None.**

**Agenda Item # 8 – Public Comments – None.**

**Agenda Item # 9 – Executive Session – None.**

There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and second (Denney), the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.

Affidavit for approved minutes for June 23, 2015

Patty A. Giles  
County Clerk

Lee Boone  
Chairman

Date: 7-28-15