

The Brooks County Board of Commissioners met for a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Brooks County Administration Building located at 610 South Highland Road, Quitman, GA. Commissioners present were: Mr. James Maxwell, Vice Chairman; Ms. Myra Exum; and Mr. Willie Cody. Mr. Patrick Folsom, Chairman; and Mr. Rhett Rowe were not present. Others present were: Ms. Jessica McKinney, County Administrator; Ms. Patricia Williams; County Clerk; Ms. Kim Daniels, Human Resources; and Mr. James Burchett, County Attorney, via telephone; and other residents.

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman called meeting to order at 5:10 pm. Chairman clarified that all other meetings scheduled after the regular monthly meeting will begin at 5:15 pm; not 5:00 pm. The monthly meetings will begin at 5:00 pm.

Prayer/Pledge – Mr. Jim Owens led all in attendance in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

2. **Special Called Meeting**

A. **Solar Moratorium** – Mr. Maxwell led the discussion on implementing a Solar Moratorium for Brooks County; this does not mean the Board is against solar projects; but have been receiving input from citizens; and thinks it would be good to put a moratorium in place. County Attorney prepared and provided a copy of a Resolution that would put a pause on solar projects/farms for six months until the County has an Ordinance in place. County Attorney, James Burchett, Burchett & Kemp, LLP, will draft the Ordinance at the Board's direction. The Solar Moratorium can be repealed within 30 days if the Ordinance is completed before the 30 day period. County Administrator can appoint a Committee; unless the Board wants to. A Resolution Adopting a Temporary Moratorium on Acceptance of Applications for Commercial Solar Farms for a Period of Six (6) Months Pending Consideration and Adoption of a Model Solar Ordinance to Promote Public Health, Safety, and Welfare was approved unanimously by the Board to cover Brooks County unless it is repealed or extended on the motion by Mr. Maxwell; and seconded by Mr. Cody.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel

A. **Request for Termination Appeal Hearing**

Mr. Maxwell made the motion to go out of the Special Called into Executive Session at 5:34 pm; Mr. Cody seconded.

A hearing date for the termination appeal was scheduled for June 21, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Exum, seconded by Mr. Maxwell, the Board adjourned the Executive Session and returned to the Special Called Meeting at 6:03 pm.

3. **WORKSHOP**

June 7, 2021 – Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda Review/Discussion/Approval

County Administrator led the Board in review of the agenda for the regular meeting to be held on June 7, 2021. The agenda was reviewed item by item and changes were made.

New Business: The topics deleted under New Business were: (G) Jefferson Street, (H) Dixie Road, (I) Washington Street Gym, (J) Washington Street Gym Budget.

Items added under New Business: (1) Quotes for additional work at Courthouse; and Vehicle for Jail Administrator.

Unfinished Business: Board removed items: (B) CID Gas Pump Bid; and (D) Wrecker Service Contract.

On the motion by Mr. Maxwell, seconded by Ms. Exum, the Board adjourned the special called meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. James Maxwell, Vice Chairman
Ms. Jessica McKinney, County Administrator
Ms. Patricia A. Williams, County Clerk