

**HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
JUNE 8, 2010 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on June 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse. In attendance at the meeting were Commission Chair June Jackson, District 1 Commissioner Karen Isenhower, District 2 Commissioner Lee Boone, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Frank Crook, District 5 Commissioner Sandi Allen, and County Attorney Jerry Ann Conner. Commission Chair Jackson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. Mrs. Marion Boyd gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3 – Public Hearing – a. Public Hearing on 2010-2011 Budget -

Commission Chair Jackson opened the public hearing and after no public comments being made, on motion (Allen) and second (Boone), the Board unanimously voted to close the hearing.

Agenda Item # 4 – Guest Speaker – a. Amy Weaver, Georgia Forestry Commission -

Ms. Amy Weaver with the Georgia Forestry Commission presented the Board with a contract between Georgia Forestry and Heard County for 2010-2011 fire protection along with a bill for these services. She explained that House Bill #1055 was signed into legislation by Governor Perdue which increases the forestland assessment from \$.04 to \$.10 per acre of privately held forest lands throughout the state. She explained that this is the first increase Georgia Forestry Commission has had since 1967. On motion (Isenhower) and second (Allen), the Board unanimously approved the contract and to allow Commission Chair Jackson to sign the contract between Georgia Forestry and Heard County.

Agenda Item # 5 – Approval of Minutes - On motion (Allen) and second (Isenhower), the Board approved the minutes from May 22, 2010 with corrections to page 1.

Agenda Item # 6 – Public Comments – None.

Agenda Item # 7 – Amend Agenda – None.

Agenda Item # 8 – Old Business – a. Discuss Bids for Dugout Roof Modifications for Sports Complex - Mr. Kevin Hamby stated that only two bids were received on the roof modifications to the dugouts at the Sports Complex. He stated that he had requested one other bid before June 22, 2010 in order to have three bids to choose from. He suggested that a decision on this project be postponed until then.

Agenda Item # 9 – New Business – a. Discuss Heating & Air System for Vehicle Maintenance Shop – Commission Chair Jackson stated that in a budget work session, the Board approved for Dan Davis to have a new heating and air system installed at the vehicle maintenance shop. Mr. Davis presented the options discussed at that time and asked the Board to officially approve this new system from Merrell & Associates at the cost of \$10,095.00 to be paid from the old SPLOST monies. On motion (Allen) and second (Crook), the Board unanimously approved this request.

b. Discuss Appointment to Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Board (DBHDD) – Commission Chair Jackson stated that the Board’s recent appointment to the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Board (DBHDD) has resigned her position on this Board. She stated she spoke with Ms. Deborah DeBose of the DBHDD Board and asked Ms. DeBose if the next appointment member needed to be a consumer/family member of their services. Ms. DeBose stated, no, that the Board does have enough that meet those criteria.

Commission Chair Jackson asked for recommendations to this Board. Commissioner Allen stated she would be willing to serve on this Board as a member if there were no other nominations. On motion (Crook) and second (Caldwell), the Board voted 4 to 1 to appointment Commissioner Allen to this Board. Commissioner Isenhower, Commissioner Boone, Commissioner Caldwell, and Commissioner Crook voted for the motion. Commissioner Allen abstained. Commission Chair Jackson also suggested that since this Board and some other county Board's do not compensate these members for their time or mileage to and from these meetings, that the Board consider reimbursing these non-compensated Board members for their mileage. It was decided that this would be reviewed on an individual basis.

c. Discuss Use of Transit Van for July 4th Celebration – Commission Chair Jackson stated that the Heard County Chamber of Commerce has asked for the use of one of our transit vans for the July 4th celebration. She stated as in the past, we would provide the van and the Chamber would pay the driver. On motion (Allen) and second (Isenhower), the Board unanimously approved this request.

Agenda Item # 10 – Executive Session – None.

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