

Clay County Commissioners

Special Called Meeting

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

Chairman Logan called to order a special called meeting at 7:00PM. Those present were: Clay Logan, Chairman; Robert Penland, Commissioner; Randy Nichols, Commissioner; Ed Roach, Commissioner; Dr. Rob Peck, Commissioner; Mark Pullium, County Manager; Merinda Woody, County Attorney, and the press and general public.

Item 1. Public Comment. Logan opened the meeting to public comment to which there were none.

Item 2. Other Business. Chairman Logan introduced Mark Pullium as the new County Manager.

Commissioner Penland made a motion to approve the Sewer and Water Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Nichols seconded. Motion was unanimously approved. (See Attached)

Item 3. Approval of Interim Employment Contract for the Fiscal Budget Preparation for Mark Pullium: Chairman Logan advised the public that Mr. Pullium had been working on finalizing the budget for the County's fiscal year 2017-2018 since last week. Since his first official day as county manager does not begin until Friday, June 30, 2017, Chairman Logan requested that the Board enter into an interim employment contract with Mr. Pullium for fiscal budget preparation, since Mr. Leek had terminated his contract with the county last Monday, June 19, 2017. Commissioner Penland moved to approve the employment contract for fiscal budget preparation for Mark Pullium, (see attached). Commissioner Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Item 4. Approval of Budget Amendments: Commissioner Penland made a motion to approve the budget amendments as attached. Commissioner Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Item 5. Approval of refunding tax payments for June 2017: Commissioner Peck made a motion to approve the tax payments refunds as attached. Commissioner Penland seconded. Motion carried.

Item 6. Discussion and possible adoption of the 2017-2018 budget ordinances for Clay County:

Mr. Pullium presented the proposed 2017-2018 budget ordinance for Clay County by separating the budget request into two separate parts, continuation of appropriations and new requests:

- a. Under the continuation of appropriations there is one exception and that is a proposed \$1000 additional salary for each full-time county employee plus the cost of the increase of the health insurance premium for their individual policy.
- b. Under the new requests for appropriations:
The new requests are in bold on the proposed budget ordinance and total \$343,811 to meet the new requests.

Under the proposed budget ordinance, a 2 cent increase in the mileage rate is recommended to balance the budget; thus the mileage rate would increase from 36 cents per each \$100 of assessed property value to 38 cents per each \$100 of assessed property value.

After much discussion among the Board Members, Commissioner Peck made a motion to approve the Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year 2017-2018 and approve a 2 cent increase in the mileage rate for the county. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion. Chairman Logan called for a vote of the Board members.

Commissioners Peck, Nichols and Roach voted for the ordinance

Commissioners Logan and Penland voted against the ordinance.

The attached Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year of 2017-2018 is hereby approved by a 3-2 vote of the Commissioners.

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There being no old business to discuss, Commissioner Peck made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Commissioner Penland seconded the motion and the motion carried with the commissioners going into executive session at 7:20 pm.

At 8:01 pm, Commissioner Roach made a motion to return to regular session. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion and the motion carried with the Board returning to regular session.

Commissioner Nichols made a motion to hire Anthony Stillwell as the new building inspector, taking the place of Sam Beck, who had submitted his resignation effective June 30, 2017. Commissioner Roach seconded the motion.

Commissioner Penland recused himself from voting on the motion since he is in the building industry and feels that to vote on a building inspector would be perceived as a conflict of interest. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Peck seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Chairman Clay Logan

Commissioner Robert Penland

Commissioner Ed Roach

Commissioner Randy Nichols

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Commissioner Dr. Rob Peck

Attested: Clerk to Board