

AGENDA

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA

Walker County Courthouse Annex III, 201 S Main Street
LaFayette, Georgia 30728

Date: Thursday May 9, 2019

Time: Immediately following the Public Hearing beginning at 6:00 PM

Invocation and Pledge to the American Flag and Georgia Flag were completed in the Public Hearing prior to the Regular Scheduled Meeting

Open of the Regular Meeting

Minutes: Approval of the minutes from the Special Called Commissioner's Meeting that was held on April 18, 2019

New Business:

- I. Proclamation – Senior Citizens Day
- II. Memorandum of Understanding, the Family Crisis Center of Walker, Dade, Catoosa & Chattooga Counties, Inc.
- III. Walker County Department Statistics
- IV. Jeffery Paul Edge Jr. requests a rezone from I to A1 for property located at 0 Westview Drive, LaFayette, Georgia 30728. Tax Parcel # 0-473-032 (***Planning Commission recommends approval.***)

Old Business:

- I. Jemima & Thomas Shirley request a rezone from R-1 to R-2 for property located at 0 Rogers Road, Rossville, Georgia 30741. Tax Parcel # 0-173-003 (***Planning Commission recommends approval.***)

Adjournment: The Regular Scheduled Meeting will be adjourned

The next scheduled Commissioner's Meeting will be held on Thursday May 23, 2019 at 6:00 PM.



Walker County Governmental Authority
Office of the Commissioner
101 South Duke Street, P.O. Box 445
LaFayette, GA 30728
706-638-1437

Minutes of the Special Called Commissioner's Meeting
April 18, 2019

I. Call to order

Commissioner Whitfield called to order the Special Called Commissioner's Meeting of the Walker County Government. This meeting was held at Walker County Courthouse Annex III, 201 S Main Street, LaFayette, Georgia at 6:00 PM on April 18, 2019

II. Attendees

The following persons were present: Commissioner Shannon Whitfield, Economic and Community Development Director Robert Wardlaw, Public Relations Director Joe Legge, Chief Financial Officer Greg McConnell, Landfill Manager Paine Gily, County Clerk Rebecca Wooden. Other guests signed in at the meeting as well, please see the attached sign in sheet.

III. Open of the Regular Scheduled Meeting

- I. Commissioner Whitfield discussed the Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program Agreement, SCRAP TIRE AMNESTY EVENT, Project: 19-ST-0146-004
 - II. Commissioner Whitfield read the memo from Sheriff Wilson's Office requesting the Unserviceable Surplus be removed from Walker County Inventory and Resolution R-010-19 to declare property of the Walker County Sheriff's Office Unserviceable Surplus and Removed from County Inventory.
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III. Adjournment

Commissioner Whitfield adjourned the meeting at 6:04 PM

IV. Public Comment

{Audio Recording of Commissioner’s Meeting comments is on file
in the Commissioner’s Office – 19-04-18}

V. Commissioner Comments

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in the Commissioner’s Office – 19-04-18}

Minutes approved by:

Shannon K. Whitfield
Sole Commissioner
Walker County Georgia

Date

Minutes prepared by: Walker County Clerk, Rebecca Wooden

Sign In Sheet

Special Called Commissioner's Meeting

April 18, 2019

6:00 PM

Name

Address

Telephone

George Rogers

Paine Guy

LANDFILL

706-375-8910

Lisa Mulvaney
J. Moran



BY THE SOLE COMMISSIONER OF WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION
SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

WHEREAS: The U.S. Census Bureau estimates nearly 12,700 Walker County residents are age 65 or older; and

WHEREAS: Walker County recognizes the impact of contributions made by older adults to our community; and

WHEREAS: May is "Older Americans Month" in the state of Georgia and residents are encouraged to *Connect, Create and Contribute*; and

WHEREAS: Older adults are encouraged to connect with friends, family and services that support participation; create by engaging in activities that promote learning, health and personal enrichment; and contribute time, talent and life experiences to benefit others; and

WHEREAS: Walker County supports organizations like North Georgia Community Action, which operates Senior Life Centers in Chickamauga and LaFayette, to assist older adults with daily nutritional needs, health education and general wellness; and

WHEREAS: Walker County desires to recognize and honor the older adults of our community;

THEREFORE: I, Shannon K. Whitfield, Sole Commissioner of Walker County, Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 15th as SENIOR CITIZENS DAY in Walker County, Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Walker County to be affixed this 9th day of May in the year 2019.

Shannon K. Whitfield, Sole Commissioner
Walker County, Georgia

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Family Crisis Center of Walker, Dade, Catoosa & Chattooga Counties, Inc., a non-profit, tax-exempt organization under the laws of the State of Georgia and the rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Code (hereinafter “Family Crisis Center”),

AND

Walker County Department of Family and Children’s Services,
Catoosa County Department of Family and Children’s Services,
Dade County Department of Family and Children’s Services,
Chattooga County Department of Family and Children’s Services,
Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit, Victim/Witness Assistance,
Four Points, Inc.,
Fort Oglethorpe Police Department,
Rossville Police Department,
Summerville Police Department,
Trenton Police Department,
Ringgold Police Department,
Chickamauga Police Department,
LaFayette Police Department,
Trion Police Department,
Walker County Sheriff’s Office,
Chattooga County Sheriff’s Office,
Catoosa County Sheriff’s Office,
Dade County Sheriff’s Office,
Walker County Commission,
Dade County Commission,
Chattooga County Commission,
Catoosa County Commission,
Housing Authority of the City of Ringgold,
Housing Authority of the City of LaFayette and,
(hereinafter, “Partners”),

WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center and Partners all provide services to victims of domestic violence, both adults and children;

WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center and Partners all seek to provide services to insure the health, safety and welfare of the victims served;

WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center and Partners all believe that all victims involved in domestic violence should have a safe, and,

WHEREAS, Family Crisis Center and Partners are committed to collaborate together to insure domestic violence victims receive any and all needed services, they enter into this agreement.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019. If funding for the activities described herein is not secured, this Memorandum of Understanding shall be considered void.

Family Crisis Center agrees to the following:

1. To provide 24-Hour Crisis Line
2. Provide emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence.
3. Provide safety planning for residential and non-residential victims of domestic violence.
4. Provide legal advocacy services, assist in completion of Temporary Protective Orders (TPO), court accompaniment.
5. Provide victims of domestic violence appropriate referral(s) based on need.
6. Provide domestic violence support groups for victims of domestic violence.
7. Provide financial assistance as funding allows to victims of domestic violence.
8. Provide follow-up service and support.
9. Provide community education.
10. Confidentiality for all clients served through the Family Crisis Center.

The Partners agree to the following:

1. To make appropriate referrals to the Family Crisis Center as needed.
2. To cooperate with Family Crisis Center staff and volunteers in the performance of their duties.
3. Partners participating with Family Crisis Center shall maintain all information regarding domestic violence program cases confidential as required by all state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

Each Partner shall sign and date an individual signature page.

Signature Page

Walker County Commission
PO Box 445
Lafayette, GA 30728

Date

Print Name

Title

Signature

Walker County Departmental Statistics - April 2019



Department	Monthly Totals						YTD Totals		Yearly Totals		Yearly Totals	
	March		April		2019		2018		2017		2016	
	Dogs	Cats	Dogs	Cats	Dogs	Cats	Dogs	Cats	Dogs	Cats	Dogs	Cats
Animal Shelter												
Intake	88	23	101	25	321	72	1,176	25	1,628	979	1,301	1,004
Adopted	18	12	12	7	73	29	138	34	217	147	304	94
Rescued	54	12	76	12	200	31	749	13	686	295	513	101
Returned to Owner	9	1	16	0	38	1	125	0	231	2	n/a	n/a
Euthanized	0	0	0	0	5	0	56	2	336	396	436	630
Codes Enforcement												
In Compliance	490		397		1,617		5,124		4,745		no data	
Violations	40		38		150		857		1,469		221	
Closed Cases	2		7		20		339		480		no data	
Fire Department												
Calls for Service	495		539		2,036		5,670		4,441		3,492	
Units Handling Calls for Service	778		767		2,940		6,359		4,742		no data	
Smoke Alarms Installed	74		92		397		228		21		no data	
Litter												
Roadside Trash Pounds	6,540		8,280		33,100		122,912		123,020		no data	
Mountain Cove Farms												
Total Nights Booked	96		68		208		908		525		162	
Planning												
Single Family New Home Construction	5		12		33		124		135		123	
Public Relations												
Media Impressions (stories)	33		60		161		509		603		no data	
Facebook Followers Added	159		173		836		2,182		4,615		no data	
Facebook Posts	43		54		200		487		594		no data	
WalkerCountyGA.gov visitor views	30,056		41,194		128,842		316,285		399,087		173,745	
Newsletter Subscribers Added	369		57		671		925		1,184		no data	
Public Works												
Patching/Potholes	1,030		236		3,003		4,798		no data		no data	
Walker Transit												
Total Trips	2,092		2,241		8,457		21,551		24,938		no data	

Applicant: Jeffery Paul Edge Jr.

Map & Parcel: 0-473-032 Rezone from: I to: A1

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

4-18-2019 APPROVED AS SUBMITTED

_____ APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

_____ TABLED

_____ DENIAL

COMMISSIONER'S FINAL DECISION:

_____ APPROVED AS SUBMITTED

_____ APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

_____ TABLED

_____ DENIAL

The following disclosure is required of the applicant(s) by Section 36-67A-3 of O.C.G.A. The following is for disclosure purposes only and does not disqualify the petition.

Within the past two years, have you made either campaign contributions totaling \$250.00 or more and/or given gifts having value of \$250.00 or more to a local government official who will be responsible for making a recommendation or decision on the application? YES () NO (✓) If so, then on a separate page, please furnish the following information:

- A) The name of the local government official(s) to whom cash contribution or gift was made:
- B) The dollar amount(s) and date(s) of each campaign made by the applicant to each local government official during the two years immediately preceding the filing of the application; and
- C) An enumeration and description of each gift having a value of \$250.00 or more made by the applicant to each local government official within the past two years:

Signature of Petitioner / Owner:

[Signature] 03-08-19
PETITIONER DATE

Prime Realty.

[Signature] 03/08/19
OWNER DATE

Applicant: Jemima + Thomas Shirley

Map & Parcel: 0-173-003 Rezone from: R-1 to: R-2

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

4-18-2019 APPROVED AS SUBMITTED

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

3-14-19 TABLED

DENIAL

COMMISSIONER'S FINAL DECISION:

APPROVED AS SUBMITTED

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

Morgan K. Whitefield TABLED 3/28/2019

DENIAL

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Signature of Petitioner / Owner:

J. G. Shirley 2/5/19
PETITIONER DATE

J. G. Shirley 2/5/19
OWNER DATE