

**JOINT MEETING
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITIES OF TIFTON, TY TY, AND OMEGA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2005
7 PM**

A called meeting of the Tift County Board of Commissioners and the Cities of Tifton, Ty Ty and Omega was held on Thursday, February 24, 2005, at 7:00 PM in the Omega Clubhouse.

PRESENT:

COUNTY: Chairman Grady Thompson, Vice Chairman Charlotte Bedell and Commissioners Moody Huggins, Buck Rigdon, Donnie Hester, Hugh Webb and Frankie Mathis.
TIFTON: Mayor Paul Johnson and Councilmen Dave Hetzel, Richard B. Chalfant and Roosevelt Russell.
TY TY Mayor Keith Beasley and Councilmembers Shirley Strawter, Mary Jane Tipper, Linda Drawdy and Richard Tucker.
OMEGA Mayor Ray Hunt and Councilmembers Rubye Meders, Cecile Gilliard, Ernest Harris, Joe Turner and James G. Patrick.

Chairman Thompson, Mayor Johnson, Mayor Beasley and Mayor Hunt called the meeting to order for their respective county and cities.

The purpose of this called meeting was to consider a joint Resolution regarding a Hazardous Mitigation Plan.

Marty LeFiles with South Georgia Regional Development Center presented the overall community mitigation goals, policies and values and gave a progress report on the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning Team. He explained that GEMA must review and approve the plan before the Cities and County can adopt the plan. He asked that the Cities and the County approve the plan for submission to GEMA and FEMA for review and approval. Once GEMA and FEMA have approved the plan, the Cities and County will meet for formal adoption of the plan.

Greg Sowell, City of Tifton Attorney, discussed the joint resolution and stated the following:

- 1) To be eligible for Federal disaster assistance, a pre-disaster mitigation plan must be adopted
- 2) A multi-jurisdictional plan to satisfy the pre-disaster mitigation planning requirements for Tift County, City of Tifton, City of Omega and the City of Ty Ty has been prepared. The resolution is to approve the Tift County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for submission to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval.

Vice Chairman Bedell made a motion that Tift County approve the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan to be submitted to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval, seconded by Commissioner Webb. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Patrick made a motion that the City of Omega approve the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan to be submitted to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval, seconded by Councilmember Turner. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Tipper made a motion that the City of Ty Ty approve the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan to be submitted to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval, seconded by Councilmember Strawter. Motion carried unanimously,

Councilman Hetzel made a motion that the City of Tifton approve the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan to be submitted to the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval, seconded by Councilman Chalfant. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Charlotte Bedell gave an update on the Centennial plans.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Grady Thompson, Chairman

Charlotte W. Bedell, Vice Chairman

Donnie Hester, Commissioner

John M. Huggins, Commissioner

Frankie Mathis, Commissioner

Fred W. Rigdon, Commissioner

Hugh Webb, Commissioner

Attest:

Glynda Hemby, County Clerk