

Washington County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

November 8, 2018

9:00am

Commissioners Present: Horace Daniel, Doug Watkins, Edward Burten, Melton Jones, Frank Simmons

Prayer

Pledge

Call to Order

Approval of Past Minutes

- A motion was made by Commissioner Burten to approve the minutes from the previous regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion to approve those minutes passed with a show of hands.

Bills

- A motion was required to approve the bills for the past month as follows:
 - Administrative & Other \$296,352.47
 - Road Department \$113,553.62
 - Sheriff Dept. & Jail \$82,793.73
 - Courthouse \$46,731.55
 - EMA \$697.20
 - E-911 \$89,163.94
 - Landfill \$52,492.17

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the bill for the past month, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed by a show of hands.

Road Department Update

- The Roads Superintendent gave an update on the following activities:
 - He mentioned that there is a need to look at purchasing a lowboy trailer, since the one currently in service is in need of replacing.
 - There are several old deputy vehicles that have been parted out, but are now beyond usefulness, that need to be disposed of.
 - The construction of the truck route that will circumvent Sandersville and Tennille has begun on the northern end on Highway 15. The contractors have mentioned that Silas Lane will be temporarily closed while they are in the area. Since the project will eliminate a large portion of the lane, it may be best to close it permanently.
 - Since the paving list has not been added to in years, it was requested that each commissioner select a road to be place on the paving list. These additions will be voted on at the next board meeting.
 - There was a request from the Road Department and Tax Assessors office to move the permitting process for driveway and develop permits to the Road Department, citing the decisions made are by the Road Department and that each application is vetted and checked by the Road Department as well.

Appointments

- Kaolin Festival/Chamber of Commerce Update – Katie Moncus
 - Ms. Moncus, president of the Chamber of Commerce, discussed the 2018 Kaolin Festival. She expressed to the board that it was a successful event, growing from last year's event, creating approximately \$321,000 of direct economic impact and over \$500,000 with the indirect economic impact included.

Old Business – None

New Business

- 2018 Striping – Contract Award
 - The County Administrator explained that this contract award is for the extensive striping project, in conjunction with Jefferson County, placed out for bid by the County over the past month. The projected cost of the striping was approximately \$440,000. There were three bids received to undertake the project, they are as follows: Peek Pavement Marking in the amount of \$443,996; Mid-State Striping in the amount of \$469,612; and Mid State Construction & Striping in the amount of \$475,649. The portion applicable to Washington County in the low bid was \$298,817.00. Peek Pavement Marking was the recommended bidder.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to award the contract to Peek Pavement Marking, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 2019 Agreement for Nutrition Services
 - The County Administrator explained that this agreement is for the meals served to the seniors that attend events and activities at the Senior Center. This program is offered via the Area Agency on Aging through the CSRA Regional Commission. The price per meal was increased by approximately \$0.40.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to accept the agreement for nutrition services, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Beer & Wine License – Lewis Lake Restaurant
 - The County Administrator stated that an application was submitted for Lewis Lake Restaurant by Mr. Jackie Chance, owner and operator of the establishment. The application was turned over the Sheriff for a thorough investigation and vetting of Mr. Chance and the establishment, with a favorable report from the Sheriff.
 - Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Credit Card for Commissioner Watkins
 - The County Administrator explained that it is under County policy to vote on the issuance of a County credit card to a commissioner or any other elected official or employee of the County. These cards are typically used for conferences and travel related expenses, or in emergencies requiring such use.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the issuance, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed unanimously.

Contract Ratification – None

Chairman Comments

Meeting Adjourned

Public Comment Session



Horace Daniel, Chairman

Attest:



Dustin Peebles, County Administrator/Clerk