

Washington County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

July 12, 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 Simmons 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 \$240,038.30
 - Road Department \$203,506.77
 - Sheriff Dept. & Jail \$94,372.72
 - Courthouse \$40,268.46
 - EMA \$9,457.63
 - E-911 \$57,421.48
 - Landfill \$79,670.03

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 activities of the Road Department. He explained that the mowing of rights-of-way has restarted and will be full-width mowing. He reported the Lamar's Creek project is moving forward with tests currently being done on the compaction capabilities of the soil located on the site. He explained that if soil compaction capabilities are not to a certain level, that soil from another location will have to be hauled in to be able to meet compaction requirements. He informed the board that the dumpster site located on Panther Branch Road will have to be relocated, due to a request by the property owner to remove it. The recommended relocation site is at the corner of Highway 88 and Smith-Robson Road.

Appointments

- Board Meeting Schedule Time – Cassandra Jackson
 - Ms. Jackson did not attend the meeting to discuss this matter.

Old Business – None

New Business

- Code Red Contract Renewal
 - The EMA Director was present to go over the contract and what the company provides to the County. He explained that Code Red is an emergency notification system that sends out telephone and text messages to residents to make them aware of potential or oncoming emergency situations. He also stated that the contract price has been reduced from \$10,000 to \$8,500, which is split evenly by the County and the City of Sandersville. A vote was required to renew the contract for Code Red.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Burten to renew the contract, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show of hands.
- 2018 Striping
 - The Roads Superintendent present a list of roads, split as evenly as possible over the four districts, that were in need of striping. Overall, this list would cover 93.95 miles and is estimated to cost \$434,928.00. While this does not cover each road in the County, roads that are left off this year could be addressed next year. A vote was required to approve the list of roads to be striped and to receive bids for the work.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the striping list, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show of hands.
- Rental Agreement
 - The County Administrator explained that this document is a rider to the original agreement for the Oconee Fall Line Technical College to occupy the building owned by the County adjacent to the airport. The agreement includes insurance for \$360 per year, and outlines that the technical college is responsible for any other expenses related to operating in the building. A vote was required to approve the agreement.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show of hands.
- Sheriff's Office – Vehicle Purchase
 - The County Administrator explained that the Sheriff's Office solicited quotes for a Dodge Charger pursuit vehicle and for a Ford police utility vehicle. There were two quotes submitted for each vehicle. The quotes for the pursuit vehicle are as follows: Akins Ford Dodge Jeep Chrysler in the amount of \$23,230.00 and Ginn Chrysler Jeep Dodge in the amount of \$22,420.00. The quote from Ginn CJD was the recommended quote. The quotes for the utility vehicle are as follows: Childre Ford in the amount of 27,829.00 and Brannen Motor Company in the amount of \$28,800.00. The quote from Childre Ford was the recommended quote. A vote was required to purchase the vehicles using the recommended quotes.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to accept the recommended quotes for both vehicles, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Executive Session

- A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to enter into executive session, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show hands.

- The topics of discussion were real estate and personnel.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to re-enter into the regular session, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Contract Ratification – None

Chairman Comments

Meeting Adjourned

Public Comment Session



Horace Daniel, Chairman

Attest:



Dustin Peebles, County Administrator/Clerk