

Washington County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

January 10, 2019

9:00am

Commissioners Present: Horace Daniel, Doug Watkins, Edward Burten, James Hitchcock, 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 Burten. 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 \$319,508.06
 - Road Department \$81,774.51
 - Sheriff Dept. & Jail \$42,745.05
 - Courthouse \$33,704.27
 - EMA \$8.67
 - E-911 \$6,460.11
 - Landfill \$54,120.47

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

Road Department Update

- The Roads Superintendent gave an update on the work being performed by GP Enterprises on the Highway 15 Truck Route, the final closure acceptance from EPD, and the installation of guard rails on Deepstep Road. GP Enterprises will close Silas Lane pursuant to plans prepared by the Georgia Department of Transportation. Silas Lane from that point forward will be completely closed and removed from the County road system. Following the last visit from EPD to Landfill Site 3, they have indicated that there are minor grassing and minor drainage issues that require repair. Upon the repair of those issues, it is expected that EPD will issue the certificate of closure for the landfill, allowing the post-closure monitoring process to begin. Guard rails on Deepstep Road are nearly complete, as installation has been completed near Brush Creek, and installation having begun at Keg Creek.

Appointments

- Development Authority – Jayson Johnston
 - Mr. Johnston shared three short videos with the commissioners and the public, which were created to showcase Washington County as an excellent location for locating new business.

Old Business – None

New Business

- CDBG Language Access Plan
 - The County Administrator explained that, pursuant to federal and state law, Washington County must adopt a language access plan to be utilized at the new Service Center that will be constructed with CDBG funds. The plan provides access to foreign languages for those who have issues speaking English, or that cannot speak English in any capacity. A vote was required to adopt the language access plan.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to adopt the language access plan, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Credit Card – James Hitchcock
 - The County Administrator explained that Commissioner Hitchcock would need a County credit card for conferences, lodging, and meals that are accepted under County policy.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve an application for Commissioner Hitchcock to obtain a County credit card, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Ordinance – Cattle Movement
 - This item was tabled until the next meeting, as the County Attorney is continuing to work on a proposed ordinance
- Board of Assessors Reappointment – Marth Armstrong
 - Martha Armstrong's term on the Board of Assessors ended on December 31, 2018. She was recommended for reappointment. The new term will be for three years.
 - A motion was made to reappoint Ms. Armstrong to the Board of Assessors by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Landscape Maintenance Contract
 - The County Administrator explained that three bids were received from local companies to handle landscape maintenance at various County properties. The contract is for a term of four years. Bids were asked to be submitted on a by activity and location basis; a copy has been attached with these minutes. The lowest, and recommended bidder was Elite Lawns.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to award the contract to Elite Lawns, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed unanimously
- Executive Session
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to enter the executive session, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Comments

Meeting Adjourned

Public Comment Session



Horace Daniel, Chairman

Attest:



Dustin Peebles, County Administrator/Clerk

RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS

Whereas, there is a vacancy on the Board of Assessors; and

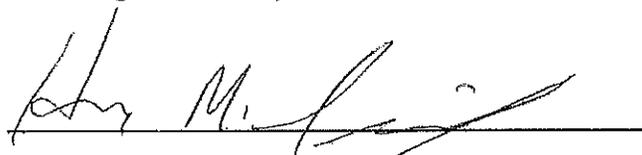
Whereas, the law requires the County Commission to appoint a
Successor when a vacancy occurs; and

Whereas, the person appointed will serve a term of three (3) years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington County Board of
Commissioners appoints Martha Wilson Washington to the Washington County
Board of Tax Assessors with this term of office to begin on January 1, 2019 and
expire on January 1, 2022.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2019

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Horace M. Daniel, Chairman

ATTEST:



Dustin Peebles

County Administrator/Clerk

2019 Landscaping Bid Tabulation

Location	Item	West	Rhodes	Elite
Courthouse	Mowing, weed eating, edging	100	115	170
	Remove weeds, trash, etc.	25	40	
	Chemicals	180	75	70
	Fertilizer	300	155	190
	Mulch/Pine Straw	420	450	175
	Pruning	400	400	150
		1425	1235	755
Old Jail	Mowing, weed eating, edging	45	50	70
	Remove weeds, trash, etc.	25	60	
	Chemicals	180	75	40
	Fertilizer	200	125	120
	Mulch/Pine Straw	300	358	325
	Pruning	350	400	150
		1100	1068	705
Library	Mowing, weed eating, edging	100	175	150
	Remove weeds, trash, etc.	25	60	
	Chemicals	180	100	75
	Fertilizer	200	350	175
	Mulch/Pine Straw	300	600	162.5
	Pruning	350	275	150
		1155	1560	712.5
Airport	Mowing, weed eating, edging	100	125	160
	Remove weeds, trash, etc.	25	60	
	Chemicals	180	125	75
	Fertilizer	350	350	225
	Mulch/Pine Straw	420	872	425
	Pruning	400	800	275
		1475	2332	1160
Total		\$ 5,155.00	\$ 6,195.00	\$ 3,332.50

* Elite's bids for mowing
includes removal of weeds,
debris and trash

Committee	Commissioner	Commissioner
Airport	Hitchcock	
Archway	Watkins	
Board of Health	Daniel	
CSRA RC	Daniel	
Development	Hitchcock	
East Cent. GA Cons	Daniel	Simmons
Finance	Burten	Hitchcock
Overview	Daniel	Simmons
Personnel	Burten	Watkins
Public Safety	Simmons	Watkins
Recreation	Hitchcock	
Road	Burten	Daniel
Senior Citizens	Burten	