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July 7, 2014

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, July 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia. Chairman Freeman Montgomery, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Robert Lanier and Sher'Londa Walker were in attendance. Also attending was the County Manager Sandra Higginbotham and County Clerk/Assistant County Manager, Carol Ison.

Chairman Montgomery called the meeting to order and led everyone in a moment of silence and the recitation of the "Pledge of Allegiance".

At this time the Chairman asked if there were any additional items to be added to the agenda.

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 1) Spending Resolution
- 2) Estimate to repair the wood work around the courthouse clock
- 3) Transit Van
- 4) Oak Mountain Water Tank Maintenance Contract

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Chairman Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the Minutes from the June 2, 2014 Regular Meeting and June 2, 2014 Executive Session. Vote Passed 4-0-0.

Derek Best, Representing the Baker Creek Community requested an update on the proposed repairs to Baker Road.

Commissioner Walker informed Mr. Best that the Road Department Superintendent, Josh Buckner was having a difficult time locating a surveyor to assess the property.

Josh informed the Board that he received names and contact information of several surveyors that he would be in contact with to survey the area.

He also informed the Board that he was in the process of getting bids to repave various roads throughout the county and Baker Road was included on the list of roads to be paved.

Mr. Best asked the Board if street lights could be installed on Baker Road.

No decision was made; the clerk was instructed to contact Flint Energies to determine if street lights could be installed on Baker Road, and if so what cost would be associated with the installation.

Linda Johnston of 115 Gardenia Way requested an update on the proposed road repairs to several roads in the Oak Mountain Estates Subdivision.

She informed the Board that she measured Juniper Lake Circle and it was 1.5 miles long instead of 3 miles which was discussed at the June 2, 2014 meeting. She asked them to consider paving Oak Mountain Ridge (0.4 miles) and Oak Mountain Parkway (0.5 miles) as well.

A discussion was held in re to replacing the water pipes on Juniper Trail prior to repaving the road.

The Water Department Superintendent was directed to research to see if there are adequate rights of way to relocate the existing pipes.

Lori Faulkner was not present.

The County Manager was directed to contact Engineer Scott Copley to see if he could recommend an Architect for the proposed building construction at the Geneva/Box Springs Park.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the bid from Ronnie Hendricks for \$4,950.00 to scrape, clean, caulk and paint the backing and numbers on the Courthouse Clock. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve paying the invoice for non-emergency In-mate Medical Services to Blue Cross Blue Shield for \$849.96. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion for the Board to approve proceeding with the bid process for the Dennis Creek Road Resurfacing Project (2014 LMIG). Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve renewing the ACCG/IRMA Property and Liability Policy for an annual premium of \$69,147.00. The effective date of the policy is July 1, 2014 to July 1, 2015. Vote passed 4-0-0.

A discussion was held in re to advertising in the ACCG Georgia Family Album Centennial Anniversary Issue. The County Manager informed the Board that she would include the cost to place the ad in the next Budget.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve paying the Talbot County Tax Commissioner \$4,588.28 for 10 parcels of property located in Oak Mountain Estates. The property was deemed unsold at the December 3, 2013 Tax Sale. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Chairman Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the Planning and Zoning Technical Assistance Contract with River Valley Regional Commission (RVRC), for an annual cost of \$4,500.00. Vote passed 4-0-0

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Chairman Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the River Valley Area Agency on Aging Contract for 2015. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Mike Tate presented three bids to the Board to replace the Heat and Air unit at the Box Springs Volunteer Fire Department. The bids are as follows:

- 1) AAA Heating & Air Conditioning Inc. - \$5,380.00
- 2) Scott Smith Service CO. - \$5,800.00
- 3) Dennis B. Hutto HVAC Contractor - \$4,500.00

Following the discussion, Chairman Montgomery directed Mr. Tate to get three additional bids for a 6 ton unit. It was determined that a 5 ton unit may not be adequate to service the station.

Josh Buckner, Road Department Superintendent presented a list of roads that need to be paved throughout the county. He asked them if they had any additional roads in their districts to add to the list.

Commissioner Lanier added Willis, Gibson, Holt and Stinson Roads.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Lanier seconded, for the Board to approve the travel request from EMS Director Jerry Anthony for himself, Abb Preston, and Gwenn Bassett to attend Advanced Medical Life Support Training to be held in Marion County on July 198, 2014. Vote passed 4-0-0.

The County Manager informed the Board that she was in the process of reviewing the Direct Service Corporation Agreement.

She also informed them that she was researching the EMS Collections and the New Horizons Mental Health Services Agreement.

The County Manager told the Board that the county had an opportunity to purchase one of the transit vans for \$4,500.00, or turn it back in to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

Following the discussion, the County Manager was directed to have the county mechanic check the van to determine if it would be feasible to purchase it or turn it back in to GDOT.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion for the Board to approve the two contracts with Utility Service Co., Inc. for the maintenance of the water tanks in Oak Mountain Estates. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the proposed Spending Resolution to authorize the Board to continue making expenditures from all funds for the month of July 2014. Vote passed 4-0-0.

The County Manger informed the Board that the County Attorney is in the process of researching the Rights of Way for Pobiddy Road.

Commissioner Walker commended the road department on the great job they are doing and stated she was excited about having various roads throughout the county repaved.

Pearl Biggs and members of her family made an appearance and asked the Board if the road beside Vicki's Café in Geneva could be scraped to allow them access to their property.

Following the discussion, Chairman Montgomery told Ms. Biggs that he would have the County Manager talk to the City of Geneva to see if they could come to a compromise to allow Talbot County to scrape the road.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:15 pm. Chairman Montgomery seconded the motion. Voter passed 4-0-0.

Chairman Montgomery called the Regular Meeting back to order at 8:05 pm.

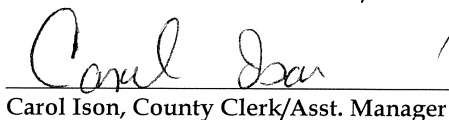
Personnel and possible litigation was discussed in Executive Session. No decisions were made.

Chairman Montgomery directed the County Manager to schedule a called meeting to discuss the FYE 2015 Budget.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve paying Deputy Willie Carter 40 hours of accrued vacation time. Vote passed 4-0-0.

There being no further business, Commissioner Lanier made a motion for the Board Meeting to adjourn. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote passed 4 -0-0.


Freeman Montgomery, Chairman


Carol Ison, County Clerk/Asst. Manager

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July 21, 2014

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held a Called Meeting, Monday, July 21, 2014 at 6:00 PM, to discuss the Fiscal Year End 2015 Budget. Chairman Freeman Montgomery, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Robert Lanier, and Sher'Londa Walker were in attendance. The County Attorney Andrew Dodgen, County Manager Sandra Higginbotham and County Clerk/Assistant County Manager, Carol Ison was also in attendance. Commissioner Walker arrived a few minutes late.

Attorney Morton Harris was also present at the meeting.

Chairman Montgomery called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:10 pm, to discuss personnel and possible litigation. Commissioner Lanier seconded the motion. Vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Walker arrived at the meeting during Executive Session.

Chairman Montgomery called the regular meeting back to order at 7:30 pm.

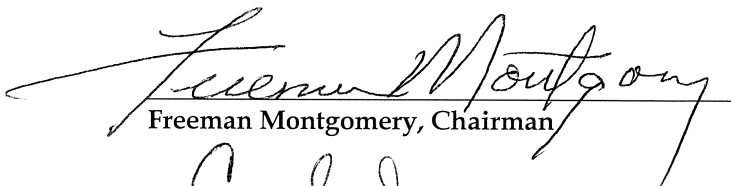
No decisions were made in Executive Session.


A discussion was held on the proposed FYE 2015 Budget. Copies of the proposed Budget were given to each commissioner for their review.

The County Manager informed the Board that there was an error within the Budget that she was researching.

No decision was made. The proposed FYE 2015 Budget will be discussed at the August 4, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Lanier made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.


Freeman Montgomery, Chairman


Carol Ison, County Clerk/Asst. County Manager

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