

**TALBOT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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COUNTY MANAGER
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JOSHUA BUCKNER, ROAD
SUPERINTENDENT

October 6, 2014

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 6:00 pm. 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. Vice Chairman Franklin Holmes was unable to attend the meeting. Also attending was the County Attorney, Andrew Dodgen, the County Manager, Sandra Higginbotham and County Clerk/Assistant County Manager, Carol Ison. Commissioner Walker arrived a few minutes late.

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 County Manager added the following items:

- 1) Short Form Contract for Construction Services from Robinson Paving for the Dennis Creek Road Resurfacing Project
- 2) Transit Department: Purchase order request to Mr. Transmission for \$2,780.45, for Transit Van Repair
- 3) Appoint Board Member to serve on the Election Board, and someone to serve on the Middle Flint E-911 Authority Board

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the agenda add-on's to the agenda, Commissioner Lanier seconded the motion. Vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Chairman Montgomery seconded the motion. Vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Minutes from the September 8, 2014 Regular Meeting, September 26, 2014 Called Meeting and September 8, 2014 Executive Session. Vote Passed 3-0-0.

Peggie Seldon told the Board that she would like to see the annual garbage fee removed from the property tax bills. She informed them that she was charged an assessment fee for paying the garbage fee late and would like the charge removed.

Chairman Montgomery directed the County Manager to contact Tax Commissioner, William Huff and Deputy Tax Commissioner Loraine Bishop to discuss the matter with him and follow up with Ms. Seldon on the decision.

Paige Swift, representing Chattahoochee Valley Land Trust asked the Board to repair John Weaver Road. She informed them that they were hosting a shooting competition in April and would like to see the entrance to the event in good repair.

The Board directed the Road Department Superintendent, Josh Buckner to fix the road.

Commissioner Walker arrived at the meeting at this time.

Eugene Kimbrough told the Board that he had vicious dogs coming on to his property. He informed them that he had called the Animal Control Director several times and no one responded to his calls.

Chairman Montgomery assured Mr. Kimbrough that he would send the Animal Control Director to his house to pick up the dogs.

Mr. Kimbrough also told the Board that Kelly Road was washing away and needed to be repaired.

Commissioner Lanier directed Josh to assess Kelley Road to determine what repairs are needed.

No decision was made on the Volunteer Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's). The Fire Coordinator informed the Board that she was in the process of getting the SOP's signed by each Volunteer Fire Chief.

Vice Chairman Holmes was not able to attend the meeting. Therefore the petitions that were sent in by residents in the Flint Hill District requesting that Terry Circle be changed back to a two-way road was tabled until the November Board Meeting

Commissioner Chapman made a motion for the Board to adopt the proposed On-Site Sewage Management System Ordinance, subject to the County Attorney's approval. Commissioner Lanier seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.

The County Manger was directed to get bids for the removal of the bats in the Talbot County Recreation Department (Gym).

Commissioner Walker told the Board Members that she would like for Paul Higginbotham to assess the gym to determine what repairs are necessary to bring the gym up to par.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the purchase order request from Anytime Heating and Air for \$1,604.89, to replace the compressor on the air condition unit at the Talbot County Library. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Walker made a motion for the Board to approve placing Sunday Alcohol Sales on the Ballot for the next referendum, Chairman Montgomery seconded the motion. Vote passed 3-0-1. Commissioner Lanier opposed.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Logisticare Business Associate Agreement. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the Probation Services Agreement. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) 2014 Performance Partnership Agreement. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion for the Board to approve the purchase order request to Mr. Transmission for \$2,780.45, to repair the transmission in Transit Van number 3156. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Short Form Contract for Construction Services from Robinson Paving for the Dennis Creek Road Resurfacing (2014 LMIG) Project in the amount of \$266,355.97, subject to Robinson Paving providing the necessary performance bonds. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Walker made a motion, Commissioner Lanier seconded, for the Board to appoint Wycene Willis to fill the unexpired term of Wardell Willis on the Talbot County Election Board. The term will expire December 31, 2017. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Marjorie Howard, Election Board Supervisor informed the Board that she was looking at an alternate voting precinct to take the place of the Old EMS Building. She informed them that the building needs many repairs.

The County Manger was directed to work with the EMA Director and the City of Talbotton to request permission to move the Talbotton Voting Precinct to the Talbotton Volunteer Fire Station.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve Josh Buckner proceeding with advertising to let bids for the resurfacing of various county roads. Vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the travel request for Corner Clinton Cosby and Deputy Coroner Mike Smith to attend the Georgia Public Safety Training in Forsyth, November 17th, 18th, & 19th.
Vote passed 4-0-0.

The County Manger informed the Board that the ACCG Fall District Meeting was going to be held at the Talbot County Chamber, November 24, 2014 at 10AM.

She also informed them that the Georgia Department of Revenue approved the 2014 Tax Digest.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:15 pm to discuss possible litigation and personnel matters. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. Voter passed 4-0-0.

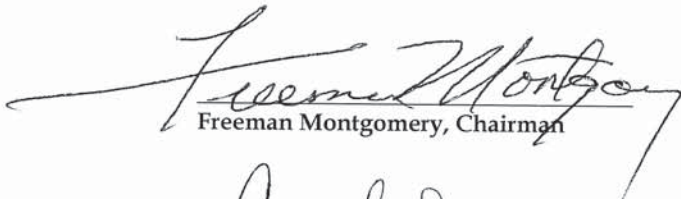
Chairman Montgomery called the Regular Meeting back to order at 8:14 pm.

No decisions were made in Executive Session.

Willie Mahone was at the meeting, he claimed that he was banned from entering the Talbot County Jail. The County Attorney informed Mr. Mahone that the Commissioners had no jurisdiction over the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion, Commissioner Walker seconded, for the Board to approve giving Terri Jenkins a merit pay increase of One Dollar per hour. 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

12/1/14
Date

CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT FOR THE ENTIRE BOARD

**STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF TALBOT**

AFFIDAVIT OF TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FREEMAN MONTGOMERY, Chairman, **FRANKLIN HOLMES**, Vice-Chairman, **ROBERT LANIER, KEN CHAPMAN AND SHER'LONDA WALKER**, Commissioners being duly sworn, state, under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief.

1.

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on **OCTOBER 6, 2014**.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.

The Executive Session was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meeting law:

- Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or Potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings; or other judicial Actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved in provided in O.C.G.A. } 50-14-2(1);
- Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. } 50-14-2(2) and (insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential)

- Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. } 50-14-3(3)

Discussion of deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, Disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or Employee as provided in O.C.G.A. } 50-14-3(6);

Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law):

As provided in (insert the citation to the legal authority exempting the topic) _____

This 6TH day of OCTOBER 2014.

Talbot County Board of Commissioners

Freeman Montgomery
Freeman Montgomery, Chairman

Absent
Franklin Holmes, Vice-Chairman

Ken Chapman
Ken Chapman, Commissioner

Robert Lanier
Robert Lanier, Commissioner

Sher'Londa Walker
Sher'Londa Walker, Commissioner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October, 2014.

Carol Ison
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

