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March 15, 2016

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held a Special Called Meeting/Workshop on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm, at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia. Chairman Sher'Londa Walker, Vice Chairman Franklin Holmes, Commissioners Raines Jordan, Ken Chapman and Freeman Montgomery attended the meeting. The County Manager Carol Ison also attended the meeting.

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

A discussion was held with Paul Bates, Regional Client Manager for GEBCorp in reference to the county retirement plan.

Mr. Bates gave a synopsis of the different plans that GEBCorp offers and discussed the pros and cons of each plan.

No decision was made at this time. The Board will review all of the information that Mr. Bates presented and make a decision at a later date.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to authorize Mr. Buckner and the County Manger to acquire bids to replace the motor in the 2009 Silverado Truck, and to contract with lowest bidder for the repairs. The vote passed 5-0-0.

An in depth discussion was held with the Water Department Staff, Marcus Thomas and Alicia Neal regarding the finance conditions of the department.

The rates have not been increased in over twenty years, however the cost to operate the system continues to increase. This has caused a deficit in the cash flow.

Commissioner Jordan commented that after his review of the audits, he noticed the Water Department has been operating in a deficit since 2010. He stated "we should be preparing for future operation and maintenance cost".

Marcus and Alicia recommended raising the rates by 50%, this would generate an additional \$292,822 of revenue each year.

Ms. Neal reiterated that the Board was going to have to consider a rate increase. The system needs to generate an additional \$225, 000 per year to be self-supportive.

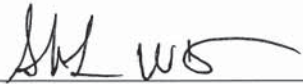
The Board will revisit the issue once more information is provided.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:42 pm. Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

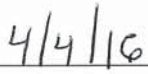
Chairman Walker called the meeting back to order at 9:23 pm.

Personnel was discussed in Executive Session. The Board agreed to hire Howard Marshall as temporary/part-time help in the Animal Control Department. Mr. Howard will be compensated at \$10.00 per hour, twenty hours per week.

There being no further business, Commissioner Chapman made a motion for the Board Meeting to adjourn. Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

  
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Sher'Londa Walker, Chairperson

  
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Carol Ison, County Manager

  
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