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July 22, 2016,

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on Friday, July 22, 2016 at 9:00 am, at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia. Chairman Sher'Londa Walker, Vice Chairman Franklin Holmes, Commissioners, Raines Jordan and Freeman Montgomery attended the meeting. Also in attendance was the County Attorney, Andrew Dodgen, and the County Manager, Carol Ison.

Chariman Walker called the Public Hearing to order and informed everyone that the hearing was being held to discuss the Fiscal Year End (FYE) 2017 Proposed Budget. The proposed budget amount is \$6,217,859.

At this time the Chairman asked if anyone had any comments regarding the FYE 2017 Proposed Budget.

Election Supervisor Marjorie Howard had a comment regarding her budget.

There being no more discussion, Chairman Montgomery closed the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:25 am, Chairman Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chairman Walker called the meeting back to order at 10:27 am.

Pending Litigation was discussed.

Commissioner Jordan recused himself from being part of the discussion.

No decisions were made.

There being no further business, Commissioner Montgomery made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 3-0-0.

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July 11, 2016

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, July 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm, at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia. Chairman Sher'Londa Walker, Commissioners, Ken Chapman, Raines Jordan and Freeman Montgomery attended the meeting. Also in attendance was the County Attorney, Andrew Dodgen, and the County Manager, Carol Ison.

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

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 1) Bid from Fuller Fire & Safety for \$3,799.88 to replace the Fire Alarm System at the Courthouse that was damaged by lightning.
- 2) Disabled Veterans Exemption
- 3) Tax Commissioner Jamie Huff: discuss the change in the Forest Land Protection Act (FLPA) Reimbursement
- 4) Increase Judges Supplement

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the agenda as amended. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Commissioner Jordan seconded, for the Board to approve the Minutes from the June 6, 2016 Regular Meeting, June 16th and 23rd Called Meetings and the June 6th, 16th & 23rd Executive Session Minutes. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The Planning and Zoning Board Appointment was postponed until the August 1, 2016 meeting.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Jordan seconded, for the Board to approve the proposed Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the U.S. Department of Agriculture/Rural Development for a Community Facilities Loan/Grant not to exceed \$50,000.00. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chairman Walker made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Georgia Oilmen's Services Work Order for \$11,490.00, to implement the Site Investigation Plan for Underground Storage Tank Management for the site located at 174 West Tyler Street, Talbotton. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Spending Resolution to authorize the Board to continue making expenditures from all funds for the month of July 2016. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chairman Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the Resolution requesting River Valley Regional Commission (RVRC) to provide technical assistance for the auditing and collection of unpaid E-911 fees. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Jordan seconded, for the Board to approve the proposal from Georgia Mass Appraisal Solutions & Services Inc. (GMASS) for \$117,250.00, for the Reappraisal of Specified Real Property within Talbot County, Georgia. The vote passed 3-1-0. Commissioner Chapman opposed.

The pre-application for the Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security Hazard Mitigation Warning and Communication Grant was withdrawn.

The Board reviewed two bids for the purchase of a tractor with side arm mower. The bids were as follows:

Flint Equipment: \$150,647.83
Atlantic Southern: \$124,860.50

Following the review of the bids, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to accept the lowest bid form Atlantic Southern for \$124,860.50. Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion.

Following a discussion regarding pricing for a maintenance plan for the equipment, Commissioner Chapman withdrew his motion and Commissioner Montgomery withdrew is second.

The bids were postponed until the August 1, 2016 Board Meeting.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chairman Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the River Valley Area Agency on Aging Contract for 2017. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the General Release and Indemnity Agreements to resolve potential claims in the following manner:

John Terry \$20,461.86
Penny Mahone \$19,329.95
Bobby Gates \$17,228.16
Jamie Huff \$4,180.73

The vote passed 3-1-0. Commissioner Raines Jordan opposed.

Against the advice of the County Attorney, Commissioner Jordan made a motion for the Board to grant Mr. Oscar L. Richardson the Disabled Veteran's Exemption for 2015, in the amount of \$436.82. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the proposal from Fuller Fire & Safety for \$3,799.88, to replace the Fire Alarm System at the Courthouse that was damaged by lightning. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve increasing the supplements for Superior Court Judges to \$250.00 per month. The vote passed 2-1-0. Commissioner Jordan recused himself and did not participate in the discussion, Chairman Walker opposed.

Tax Commissioner Jamie Huff informed the Board that the Department of Revenue (DOR) changed the method used to calculate the Forest Land Protection Act (FLPA) Reimbursement by imposing a cap that does not comport with the provisions of the state constitution. It has done so without any public notification, by changing DOR Form PT-32.1A.

The County Manager informed the Board that members of the Georgia House of Representatives were addressing the issue by requesting an opinion from the Attorney General.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Jordan seconded, for the Board to approve amending the Budget to transfer \$369,000.00 from the General Operating Account to the Water Department, to satisfy a debt that is owed to the City of Manchester. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The Public Building Use will be discussed at the next scheduled called meeting.

A discussion was held regarding changes to the Personnel Policy addressing the amount of sick days and vacation hours that the employees are allowed to accrue.

No decision was made, it was postponed until the next scheduled called meeting.

The Timber Harvesting Ordinance was postponed until the August 1, 2016 meeting.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to adopt a policy stating "no Talbot County Elected Official will be allowed to have a County issued Purchasing and/or Credit Card". The vote passed 4-0-0.

Under New Business, the County Attorney informed the Board that the Judge ordered the Board to rezone the proposed Rock Quarry Property to a constitutional zoning classification other than A-1 classification.

No decisions were made. The rezoning will be discussed at the called meeting scheduled for 6 PM, Tuesday, July 19, 2016.

UPDATES:

Chairman Walker gave an update on the Baker Road Project. She informed everyone that the Road Department Crew will start working to move the ditches within the next couple of weeks.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:12 pm, Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chairman Walker called the meeting back to order at 8:17 pm.

Personnel and Possible litigation were discussed. No decisions were made.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chairman Walker seconded, for the Board to authorize the County Manger to hire Mike Smith as Road Department Superintendent, and to negotiate the salary not to exceed \$36,940.00. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chairman Walker made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve increasing the County Manager, Carol Ison's salary to \$60,000.00 per year. The vote passed 4-0-0.

There being no further business, Commissioner Montgomery made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Chairman Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

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July 6, 2016

A Called Meeting/Work Shop was scheduled for 9:00 am Wednesday, July 6, 2016 to discuss the FYE 2017 Proposed Budget. The meeting was cancelled, due to not having a quorum.

Sher'Londa Walker, Chairperson

Carol Ison, County Manager

8-1-2016

Date