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March 1, 2017,

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held a Called meeting/Work Shop on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 10:00 am, at the Chamber of Commerce Office, located at 95 Washington Avenue, Talbotton, Georgia. Chairperson Sher'Londa Walker, Vice Chairman Franklin Holmes, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Freeman Montgomery and Raines Jordan attended the meeting. Also in attendance was the County Manager, Carol Ison. Vice Chairman Holmes arrived late.

The first item of business was the conditions at the courthouse. A Request for Proposal (RFP), for a general contractor was sent to several qualified contractors on January 26, 2017. The deadline to submit the proposals was February 28, 2017 at 2:00 pm. One sealed bid was received, from Midwest Maintenance, Inc.

The Board had a lengthy discussion on the conditions at the courthouse and worked toward a resolution to address the problems. The biggest concern is the health hazards caused by the infestation of bats.

The Board discussed temporality closing the courthouse, and relocating the court offices, until the bat problem can be resolved, and the necessary repairs can be dealt with.

The County Manager recommended sending out a Request for Qualifications (RFQ), for an engineer to determine the scope of work that is needed.

The County Manager was also instructed to start looking for places to temporarily relocate the court offices.

The Board was in agreement with the County Manager, and directed her to start the process.

Commissioner Montgomery is going to contact Judge McBride to see if court can be held in an alternate location.

A discussion was held in reference to amending the current personnel policy. The amendments are to address the amount of sick hours, vacation time, and comp time that is being paid when an employee terminates employment with the county.

The Board directed the County Manger to research other county's personnel policies to see how they handle compensating employees for accrued time.

The goal is to have the amended personnel policy adopted by July 1, 2017.

The County Manager gave an update on the proposed Jail Construction Project.

No action was taken on the Multi-Bank Securities, Inc., Non-Corporate Resolution.

Chairperson Walker made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 12:45 pm. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Madam Chair Walker called the meeting back to order at 1:11 pm.

Personnel was discussed.

No decisions were made in Executive Session.

Chairperson Walker made a motion for the Board to allow herself and the County Manager to handle a personnel issue. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

A discussion was held regarding the contract with the City of Manchester for the Joint-Use Water Facility.

Commissioner Jordan is going to work with the County Attorney to draft an amended contract to present to the City of Manchester, for their review.

The Joint-Use Water Facility Contract will be discussed at the April Board meeting.

Commissioner Jordan expressed his concern on the proposed project with Columbus Water Works, and recommended putting in on hold, until more pressing issues can be resolved.


The Board was in agreement with Commissioner Jordan.

The Board discussed implementing a policy for public building use. The Board agreed to table the discussion, they don't feel like it is necessary with the current recreation parks.

Chairperson Walker and Commissioner Jordan gave the Board an update on their plans to make improvements at the Youth Center.

The Board authorized the County Manger to change the Emergency Medical Services Billing Provider.

There being no further business, Commissioner Jordan made a motion to for the meeting to adjourn. Chairperson Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.



Sher'Londa Walker, Chairperson



Carol Ison, County Manager

4-11-17

Date