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September 4, 2018

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:00 pm, at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia 31827. Chair Sher'Londa Walker, Vice Chairman Franklin Holmes, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Freeman Montgomery and Raines Jordan were present. The County Attorney, Andrew Dodgen, County Manager, Carol Ison, and Deputy Clerk, Schequlia Willis were also in attendance.

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

Two items were added to the agenda, as follows:

- Tax Assessors Purchase Request
- EMS Purchase Request

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to approve the agenda, as amended. Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the minutes for the August 6, 2018 regular Board Meeting, August 14th called meeting, and August 6, 2018 Executive Session. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Capt. Josh Dulaney, representing LTC Palisca, gave an update on the Community Partnership between Fort Benning and Talbot County, and informed everyone in attendance of the events that are taking place in Talbot County.

Ruby Smith was not present.

Brent Beasley, representing Harvey Ingram Road Landowners was present to follow up from the last meeting discussion about proper maintenance of Harvey Ingram Road and the bridge over Celeoth Creek.

The Chairman allowed Mr. Beasley well over Fifteen Minutes to address his issues regarding the maintenance on Harvey Ingram Road.

Mr. Beasley requested a time frame that the road and bridge would be repaired.

Commissioner Montgomery informed Mr. Beasley that the county could not give him a time frame on when the repairs would be done.

At this time, Commissioner Montgomery stated "that's enough, you have had your time, now sit down".

EMS Director, Jerry Anthony requested the Boards approval to purchase a new GMC 3500HD Type 1 Ambulance for \$136,702.00. He requested to add a ranch hand bumper replacement for an additional \$1,750.00.

Following the discussion, Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to authorize the County Manager to proceed with obtaining financing for the ambulance, and the hand bumper replacement, for \$138,452.00. The vote passed 5-0-0.

The discussion regarding the Water System Improvements, was deferred to Executive Session.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the following two resolutions:

- Resolution for County 9-1-1 Prepaid Wireless Charges
- ➤ Resolution for County 9-1-1 Charges other than Prepaid Wireless The vote passed 5-0-0.

Approval of the Error and Additions and Error and Releases for period ending June 30, 2018, was deferred until the Board had clarification from the Tax Commissioner.

The County Manger will request that Tax Commissioner, Jamie Huff be present at the October meeting.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the Georgia Department of Transportation FTA 5311 – FY2019 Operating/Capital Contract for \$212,940.59. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Vice Chairman Holmes seconded, for the Board to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with River Valley Regional Commission to assist with the development of a multi-hazard Pre-disaster Mitigation plan for Talbot County. The fee for service is \$17,000, which will be funded through the grant award. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Discussion regarding the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was deferred, following Executive Session.

The 2019 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Program was deferred until the October meeting.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the request from the Tax Assessors Office, to purchase a new 2019 Ford F150 4 Wheel Drive pickup Truck. The purchase price is \$27,983.00. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Road Superintendent, Mike Smith was not present.

The Road Superintendents purchase request was tabled until the October meeting.

A workshop will be scheduled to discuss the 2018 Road Paving Project.

The County Attorney updated the Board on correspondence he received from CSX Transportation, in reference to reports of the crossing on Pleasant Valley Road being blocked for long periods of time, by a stationary train.

The County Manager updated the Board on the Inmate Work Detail Program with Harris County. It will be discussed further at the October meeting.

Election Supervisor, Marjorie Howard updated the Board on a Georgia Election lawsuit case that may cause counties to be required to use paper ballots. The hearing is set for September 17, 2018. Ms. Howard will provide an update following the hearing.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:02 p.m. Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Chair Walker called the meeting back to order at 8:25 p.m.

No decisions were made, Possible Litigation, Real Estate and personnel issues were discussed.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve proceeding with the 2019 CDBG Application Process, designating Hardnett Road as the target area. The vote passed 5-0-0.

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

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