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March 20, 2019

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held a Called Meeting Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 4:00 pm, at the Talbot County Board of Commissioners Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia.

Chair Sher'Londa Walker, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Freeman Montgomery and Robert Lanier were in attendance. The County Manager, Carol Ison and Deputy County Clerk Schequlia Willis also attended the meeting. Commissioner Chapman arrived late.

Chair Walker called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chair Walker seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The vote passed 3-0-0.

A discussion was held with Allison Slocum, representing River Valley Regional Commission (RVRC) regarding the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Owens Circle and Hardnett Drive is the target area for the project.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chair Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the Resolution to proceed with the Fiscal Year 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application process. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The next item of business was the Language Access Plan.

Sheriff Bobby Gates approached the Board to discuss the Grand Jury Presentments.

Judge Gottfried was also present, she informed the Board that she inspected the holding cell at the Sheriff's Annex, and she is concerned that the detainee does not have access to a restroom without leaving the cell.

Judge Gottfried is also concerned about the security of the holding cell, as well as the safety of the staff.

Following the discussion, Building Maintenance Director/Assistant Building Inspector, Ronnie Hendricks offered to inspect the jail to come up with a plan to improve the issues addressed by the Grand Jury.

The County Manager presented the Board with the following updates:

1) Larry Sparks wants to withdraw his resignation and asked that the County continue to pay his benefits while he is out of work.

- 2) Four candidates are scheduled to be interviewed on Friday, March 22, 2019 for the Heavy Equipment Operator positions.
- 3) The EMA Director, Leigh Ann Erenheim suggested that March 30, 2019 be the last day to distribute the goods donated for the tornado victims.

The County Manager is going to talk with Mr. Sparks again and will follow up at the April meeting.

The Board would like for all the citizens that were impacted by the tornado to have access to the goods at the distribution center.

The County Manager will discuss the options with EMA Director, Leigh Ann Erenheim.

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

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