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November 4, 2019

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., 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, Robert Lanier and Freeman Montgomery were present. The County Attorney, Edward Davis, 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.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded for the Board to approve the agenda as presented. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the minutes for the October 7, 2019 Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Tom Persons, Chairman of the Industrial Development Authority approached the Board to give an update on possible prospects for the Industrial Park.

Mr. Persons informed the Board a hydroponics greenhouse group and a concrete facility are interested in establishing a business in the Industrial Park.

The County Manager was directed to draft a letter to assist the Industrial Development Authority to attract new prospects for the Industrial Park.

On behalf of the Fort Benning representatives, the County Manager informed everyone in attendance of the events that are taking place in Talbot County.

Samuel Chapman approached the Board requesting a property variance on 21.3 acres of land he purchased on Highway 36.

Following a discussion, Commissioner Lanier made a motion to grant the property variance exclusive to the twenty-acre tract of land., Commissioner Montgomery seconded. The vote passed 3-2-0. Vice Chairman Holmes and Commissioner Chapman abstained.

Dan Coffee, Chairman of the Talbot County Board of Assessors gave a brief synopsis of the duties of the Tax Assessors Board.

Clayton Moore from Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers was present to discuss the 2020 LMG project.

Following a brief discussion, the 2020 LMIG project was deferred until the December 2, 2019 meeting.

Two sealed bids were received for the Juniper Trail patching and leveling project. The bids were as follows:

- 1)Wolford Contracting Company for \$298,533.00
- 2) Robinson Paving Company for \$253,390.00

Following the discussion, Commissioner Chapman made a motion, and Vice Chairman Holmes seconded, for the Board to approve the lowest bid from Robinson Paving Company for \$253,390.00. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Allstate Construction Group, Inc. Pay Application #11 for \$111,721.24. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chair Walker seconded for the Board to approve the Resolution authorizing the filing of the FY2021 Grant Application for Section 5311 Program for Rural Transit. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to declare the following three vehicles/equipment surplus to be sold at Public Outcry:

1) 1994 John Deere 310 Backhoe

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2) 1994 Chevrolet C6500 Dump Truck

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3) 2001 International 4700 Ambulance

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The vote passed 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Montgomery seconded, for the Board to approve the amendment to the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Chair Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the. Fiscal Year End 2019 Special Revenue Funds. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion, Vice Chairman Holmes seconded for the Board to approve the Fiscal Year End 2019 Budget Amendments. Expenses increased \$393,727.00 and revenue increased \$337,932.00. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion for the Board to approve the 2020 Board Meeting and Holiday Schedule, Commissioner Montgomery seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Ronnie Hendricks, Maintenance Director informed the Board, the Jail project, Election/Storage and Park Projects were progressing well.

The repairs to the clock tower and clock at the courthouse were delayed due to the weather.

Ben Brodgon, O'Neal Volunteer Fire Chief approached the Board to get approval to accept the property donation to build a second fire station.

Chair Walker made a motion, Vice Chairman Holmes seconded for the Board to accept the donation for the O'Neal Volunteer Fire Department. The vote passed 5-0-0.

The County Manager reminded the Board they need to have a Called meeting next month to discuss SPLOST negotiations.

Peter Nolan, Road Superintendent, informed the Board they are working on Men's Club Road.

Chair Walker informed the Board the new voting equipment is at the Elections/Registration Office and invited everyone to go try it out.

Chair Walker informed the Board Mike Smith is sponsoring a Children's Christmas Party December 24, 2019 at the Box Springs/Geneva Park from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m., Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Chair Walker called the meeting back to order at 8:17 p.m.

Possible litigation and real estate were discussed in Executive Session; no decisions were made.

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

Sher'Londa Walker, Chairperson Carol Ison, County Manager