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March 2, 2020

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, March 2, 2020 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 and Robert Lanier were present. The County Attorney, Edward Davis, County Manager, Carol Ison, and Deputy Clerk, Schequlia Willis were also in attendance. Commissioner Montgomery was not 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".

The following four items were added to the agenda:

- 1) Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for the 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- 2) Letter of Agreement CDBG Fiscal Year 2020
- 3) Conflict on Interest for the 2020 CDBG
- 4) Leigh Ann Erenheim representing Flint Hill Volunteer Fire Department: AFG Grant

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

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the minutes for the February 3, 2020 Regular Meeting, and Executive Session Minutes. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Cynthia Carter was not present.

Vice Chairman Holmes informed the Board Mrs. Carter had spoken with him regarding the Emergency Services response time.

He stated that Mrs. Carter wanted them to evaluate the Emergency Services call time for First Responders.

The County Manager informed the Board that Emergency Director, Jerry Anthony provided a response to Mrs. Carters concerns. She placed a copy in their meeting packets.

Jeff King approached the Board to commend the Board for approving to pave Baker Road in its entirety.

Donald Powell was not present.

Lillie Best approached the Board to discuss the road conditions on Baker Road.

Mrs. Best asked the Board if the road would be widened.

Chair Walker informed Mrs. Best, the original scope of plans did not include widening Baker Road. The monies allocated would be used to pave the road.

She stated that the Board would get quotes to widen the road a later time.

Two sealed bids were received for Powell Church Road, Mountain Ridge Drive and South Mountain Drive for the 2020 LMIG. The bids were as follows:

- 1)Wolford Contracting Company for \$495,162.80
- 2)Robinson Paving Company for \$480,461.00

Additional monies needed to complete the project will come from SPLOST funds.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion, Vice Chairman Holmes seconded, for the Board to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Robinson Paving Company for \$480,461.00.

The vote passed 4-0-0.

Lee Benefield representing Yancey Brothers presented a quote to the Board for a new Motor Grader. The sales price is \$230,100.00, this includes the payoff for the old Motor Grader of \$128,244.31. Revenue from the Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) will fund the purchase.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve purchasing the new Motor Grader for \$230,100.00. The 2015 12M3 Motor Grader will be used as trade in. The passed 4-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Chair Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the Allstate Construction Group, Inc. Pay Application #15 for \$144,890.74. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chair Walker made a motion, Vice Chairman Holmes seconded, for the Board to approve the invoice from Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers for \$9,450.00. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chair Walker made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the J. Smith Lanier Risk Management Insurance Renewal for Emergency Medical Services and Volunteer Fire Department with VFIS. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for the 2020 Community Development Grant (CDBG). The vote passed 4-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to approve the CDBG Letter of Agreement for Fiscal Year 2020. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Chair Walker seconded, for the Board to approve the Conflict of Interest for the 2020 CDBG. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Russ Erenheim, Flint Hill Volunteer Fire Chief approached the Board to request permission to proceed with writing an AFG Grant to replace the 1975 Pumper truck. The grant requires 5% county match.

Following the discussion, Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion for the Board to approve the Flint Hill Fire Chief proceeding with the AFG Grant application process. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Peter Nolan, Road Superintendent, approached the Board to discuss the final payment for the John Deere Excavator.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion, Commissioner Chapman seconded, for the Board to pay off the John Deere Excavator for \$77,000.00 and purchase a two-year extended warranty for \$4,920.00. The total cost is \$81,920.00 and will be paid with T-SPLOST funds from all five districts. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The Road Superintendent informed the Board that he will meet with Cameron Mitchell on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 1:00 to inspect the bridge on Harvey Ingram Road.

The County Attorney advised the Board to have an engineer present when the bridge is inspected.

Clayton Moore with Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers informed the Board he would attend the meeting.

Mr. Nolan informed the Board that he continues to receive calls from constituents in the City of Talbotton regarding repairs to Lamar Lane. He asked the Board how they wanted him to handle the situation, since Lamar Lane is in the City limits of Talbotton.

The County Manager was directed to send a letter to the City of Talbotton Mayor notifying him that all calls pertaining to Lamar Lane would be redirected to employees of the City of Talbotton. The County is willing to assist the city if needed.

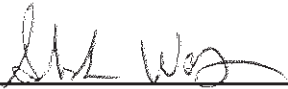
Vice Chairman Holmes commended the Road department for the work done in the Flint Hill area.

Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m., Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chair Walker called the meeting back to order at 7:30 p.m.

Possible Litigation was discussed, no decisions were made.

There being no further business, Commissioner Lanier made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.



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Sher'Londa Walker, Chairperson



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Carol Ison, County Manager

5/11/2020

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