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March 01, 2021

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board Meeting on Monday, March 01, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia 31827. Chair Sher'Londa Walker, Commissioners Ken Chapman, Robert Lanier and Larry Sparks were present. County Manager Carol Ison and County Clerk Jona Gibson were also in attendance. Commissioner Holmes arrived late. County Attorney Edward Davis was not in attendance but was scheduled to meet with County Manager Ison later in the day.

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

There was one item added to the agenda:

Approving invoice from Hardy Construction, LLC for \$15,900.00 (Willis Road)

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented to include the one addition. Commissioner Larry Sparks seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2021 Regular Meeting and Executive Session and minutes from the February 22, 2021 Called Meeting. Chair Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

No one was present on Fort Benning's behalf.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to appoint Penny Dillingham-Mahone to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Board pending County Attorney's approval. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The Green for Life (GFL) Solid Waste Collection, Transportation and Disposal Agreement was tabled.

Sheriff Johnson invited everyone to attend a Community Meet & Greet at 1761 Geneva Highway, Talbotton, GA 31827. This event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, March 6, 2021 from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Discussion on establishing a Technology Fund for the Sheriff's Department was tabled.

Two sealed bids were received for the 2021 LMIG Project to resurface Gilbert Road. The first bid was from Atlanta Paving and Concrete with a price of \$290,050.40. The second bid was from Robinson Paving Company in the amount of \$261,492.00. Commissioner Lanier made a motion to move forward with the low bid pending review of both bids by Vaughn, Melton & Associates Engineering for comparability. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve payment of invoice from Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for FY2022 Rolling Stock 10% local match in the amount of \$11,049.10. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

J. Smith Lanier Risk Management Insurance Renewal was presented to the Board with a slight increase of \$2941.00 from the previous year. Premium for the 2021-2022 year is \$42,089.00. Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve premium with increase. Commissioner Larry Sparks seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve the Resolution adopting the 2021 Talbot County Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lanier to appoint Wayne Braddy to fill the unexpired term of Slade Johnson on the Talbot County Industrial Development Authority Board. Commissioner Chapman seconded the appointment. The term will expire on June 30, 2024. The vote passed 4-0-0.

An appointment to the Talbot County Health Board to fill vacancy created by Mr. Thomas Zwaga's resignation was tabled.

A motion to approve the authorized signers for SPLOST 2 account at Talbot State Bank was made by Commissioner Sparks. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

The Timber Harvesting Ordinance was tabled.

A motion to approve the Ordinance for a Broadband Ready Community was made by Commissioner Sparks. The motion was seconded by Char Walker. The vote passed 4-0-0.

TIA Proposed Regional Project List was discussed. It was determined that three projects would be submitted with the understanding that River Valley Regional Commission will have the final decision on what project to move forward with. Projects for submission are:

1. Chalybeate Springs Road
2. Old Shiloh Road
3. Waverly Hall Road

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to move forward with the submission of the three possible projects. Chair Walker seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Franklin Holmes arrived at this time.

An invoice from Hardy Construction, LLC was presented to the Board for approval. Discussion took place regarding damage to resident Wycene Willis' car during the repair of Willis Road. Commissioner Lanier requested that the invoice be held until damage of Ms. Willis' car has been assessed. All commissioners agreed to hold payment on the invoice.

Road Superintendent Peter Nolan gave an update on missing road signs in the county that have been ordered.

A motion was made by Commissioner Larry Sparks to install speed breakers on Tank Road. Commissioner Lanier seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0 to install breakers.

Superintendent Nolan submitted a request to purchase an adapter to add to the 930M-KTG04258 Wheel Loader that would act as a shoulder builder for roads. The cost for the attachment is \$5,999.00. Vice Chairman Holmes made a motion to approve the purchase. This was seconded by Commissioner Lanier. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Also discussed with Superintendent Nolan was a portion of Kelly Road that is in the city limits of Talbotton and in need of repair. The City of Talbotton is to provide asphalt to patch the road and Superintendent Nolan was given approval to assist the city using county equipment to pack the asphalt in place.

County Maintenance Director, Ronnie Hendricks, shared that the new jail is in full operation and work is being done to complete a secured evidence room. Work is also being done to finish moving the remainder of the Sheriff's Department to its new location.

Also, Mr. Hendricks reported that Surveillance signs had been placed at the Geneva/Box Springs Park.

The work detail will be doing trash pickup in the next few weeks to prepare for mowing season. Inmates will also continue to pick up old garbage carts and deliver them to a designated location to be removed by Dependable Waste.

A permanent location for the Tax Commissioner's Office is still in a planning phase.

Commissioner Holmes inquired of the status on the closing of two properties: Epps Estate and Flint Hill. County Manager Ison stated that she was to meet with Attorney Davis this afternoon and would check with him regarding closing.

Also, discussed was removal of a gate behind the Senior Center to allow all residents to have access to the pond for fishing. Road Superintendent Nolan was instructed to remove gate.

County Manager Carol Ison had no updates.

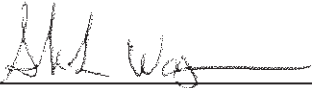
The Board of Commissioners had no updates.

Commissioner Lanier inquired about the opening of the Talbotton Park and was advised that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) must inspect and approve the park for opening.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to move to Executive Session at 11:08 a.m. Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session; no decisions were made.

The regular Board Meeting was called to order at 11:50 a.m. There being no further business, Commissioner Lanier made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Holmes seconded the motion. seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.



Sher'Londa Walker, Chairman



Carol Ison, County Manager

4-5-2021

Date