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May 3, 2021

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, May 3, 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 Robert Lanier, Ken Chapman, and Larry Sparks were present. County Manager Carol Ison and County Attorney Edward Davis 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.

Approval to pay an invoice for Inmate Medical services was added to the agenda.

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

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2021 regular meeting and Executive Session. Commissioner Sparks seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Captain Gonzalez was present on behalf of Fort Benning.

Mr. Elvis Walton appeared before the Board to follow up on the discussion that took place at the April 5, 2021 board meeting, regarding evidence of a court proceeding declaring Old Highway 41 as an easement to his property.

Clerk of Superior Court, Penny Dillingham presented documents that support legal easement to said property.

County Attorney Edward Davis reviewed the documents and informed Mr. Walton he would contact him to discuss the matter.

Three sealed bids were received for the Mountain Valley Road resurfacing project. The bids were as follows:

- Quality Construction by McLeroy, Inc. \$140,968.70
- Hardy Construction \$175,175.00
- Wolford Construction \$159,305.00

Following the bid opening, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Quality Construction by McLeroy, Inc. for \$140,698.70. Commissioner Lanier seconded the motion. Revenue from District two SPLOST will be used to fund the project. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the work order from Georgia Oilmen's Services for Quarterly Monitoring Only Events #9 through #12 for the Underground Storage Tank Remediation, located at 174 W. Tyler Street, Talbotton. Chair Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Sheriff Justin Johnson attended the meeting to get approval to lease three Chevrolet Tahoe's from Ford Motor Credit. The annual lease payment would be \$24,842.70, for five years.

Following a discussion, Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve leasing the three vehicles through Ford Motor Credit. Chair Walker seconded the motion. Commissioner Chapman and Commissioner Sparks opposed. Motion failed due to lack of majority vote.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the Agreement between Talbot County Health Department, Talbot County Board of Commissioners and Lorraine Brown. DO, PC. Chair Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve the Automatic Aid Agreement with Meriwether County and Talbot County to secure each such entity the benefits of assistance in the protection of life and property from fire and other disasters. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve payment for the Inmate Medical Services invoice for \$7,619.50. Commissioner Sparks seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Road Superintendent Peter Nolan obtained bids for needed repairs on County Road 71, South Howard Road, Sizemore Road and Mitchell Road. He asked the board for permission to advertise for sealed bids, per the Georgia Road Construction Project Guidelines.

Following the discussion, Chair Walker made a motion, Commissioner Lanier seconded, to approve advertising for sealed bids for the above-mentioned roads. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Commissioner Lanier made a motion for the board to approve the County Road Department resuming maintenance on Bunkley Road Extension. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Maintenance Director, Ronnie Hendricks informed the board of the Mossy Branch Battery project that Georgia Power would be implementing in the St. Paul Loop area. This is the first project of this kind in Georgia, and a great opportunity for it to be located in Talbot County.

Mr. Hendricks reported to the board that EMC Engineering Services submitted an estimate of \$30,000.00 for engineering fees for the proposed Community Building Project.

Following the discussion, Commissioner Lanier made a motion to approve contracting with EMC Engineering for \$30,000.00. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

County Attorney Edward Davis reported to the Board that he has completed the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Woodland for presence of a Patrol Officer in the city limits. He is awaiting approval from their attorney Gary Byrd.

The County Manger reported to the Board that it was time to schedule a FYE 2022 budget workshop.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lanier to go into Executive Session at 11:07 a.m. Commissioner Sparks seconded the motion. The vote passed 4-0-0.

Chair Walker called the regular meeting back to order at 11:43 a.m.

Personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session. No decisions were made.

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



Sher'Londa Walker, Chairman



Carol Ison, County Manager



Date