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July 12, 2021

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular scheduled monthly Board meeting on Monday, July 12, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., at the County Commission Office, located at 74 West Monroe Street, Talbotton, Georgia 31827. Chair Sher'Londa Walker and Commissioners Ken Chapman and Larry Sparks were present. Also in attendance were County Attorney, Edward Davis, County Manager, Carol Ison, Assistant County Manager, Ronnie Hendricks and Deputy County Clerk, Jona Gibson.

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

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and an add-on to approve the Spending Resolution for July 2021. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve minutes of the June 7, 2021, Regular Board meeting, the June 16, 2021, called meeting, and the June 7th and 16th minutes from Executive Sessions. Commissioner Sparks seconded the motion. The vote passed 3-0-0.

There were no appearances scheduled for the July 12th meeting. However, a representative from Fort Benning was in attendance. He shared with the Board that the Covid Threat Level was at the lowest it has been since the beginning of the pandemic and is looking forward to working with the community and Talbot County School System more.

In old business, no one was in attendance to represent the Zoning Amendment Request from Residential to Industrial for conditional use for the Distillation of Alcohol (mini brewery). Commissioner Chapman made a motion to table the decision. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

In new business, a request to approve the FY2022 New Horizons Behavioral Health Agreement for mental health and substance abuse services was presented. Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the Agreement. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Larry Sparks made a motion to approve three appointments to the Tri-City Housing Authority Board for five-year terms to end August 1, 2026. The appointments are as follows: David Jordan, Billy Wills, and Reginald Myers. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve adding leveling to the Mountain Valley Road Contract at an additional cost of \$13, 346.30. This cost will be paid through District 2 SPLOST funds. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between The Board Of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension and Talbot County. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.

County Attorney, Edward Davis, requested tabling on an invoice in the amount of \$14,892.92 for railroad crossing maintenance at Pleasant Valley Road, Woodland, GA. He also asked if the request from CSX to close a crossing on Woodyard Road in Geneva could be tabled until more information could be obtained.

EMA Director, Leigh Ann Erenheim, was not present at the meeting. Her request to declare the command center surplus and sell it on Gov Deals was tabled.

Assistant County Manager, Ronnie Hendricks, appeared before the Board with estimates on the cost to repair a portion of the roof on the library building. His estimate to repair the roof from MJR Solutions LLC was \$10,271.00 with no warranty. The cost to replace the roof with a 20-year warranty was \$34,055.00, also from MJR Solutions LLC. Commissioner Chapman requested to table the decision until another estimate could be obtained by Assistant County Manager Hendricks.

County Attorney, Edward Davis, stated that he had a brief legal matter that he would discuss in Executive Session.

County Manager Carol Ison gave an update of the FYE22 budget. She is awaiting the final revenue figures from the Tax Commissioner's Office. When this is received, the budget will be ready for review.

Commissioner Larry Sparks made a motion to go into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Chapman seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.


Personnel matters, possible litigation, and Real Estate matters were discussed. No decisions were made.

Chair Walker called the regular meeting back to order at 10:45 a.m.

There being no further business, Commissioner Chapman made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Commissioner Sparks seconded. The vote passed 3-0-0.



Sher'Londa Walker, Chairman



Carol Ison, County Manager



Date