



Talbot County Board of Commissioners
35 West Madison Street, P.O. Box 155
Talbotton, Georgia 31827

February 6, 2023

The Talbot County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Talbot County Commission Office, located at 35 West Madison Street, Talbotton, GA 31827. Chairman, Larry Sparks, Vice Chairman, Ken Chapman and Commissioners Anthony Couch, Franklin Holmes, and Walter Wilson, Jr. were present. Also in attendance were County Manager, Carol Ison, Assistant County Manager, Ronnie Hendricks, and County Attorney, Edward Davis.

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

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Vice Chair Chapman made a motion to approve the January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting and Executive Session minutes. Commissioner Wilson seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Robert Spano appeared before the board to inquire about obtaining county property, located at 200 Beagle Drive in Box Springs. Mr. Spano runs Maggie's House Inc., a non-profit 501c3 organization that assist adults with physical and developmental disabilities.

The county attorney will research to determine if there are any zoning issues to consider.

Mindy Sampson, Nurse Manager with the Talbot County Health Department informed the board of the services that they provide to Talbot County Residents.

Mary Stevens, Executive Director of the Talbot County Chamber of Commerce requested the boards approval by adopting a Resolution supporting the Flint River Water Trail project in Talbot County.

Vice Chair Chapman made a motion to table the matter until they could gather more information on the project. Commissioner Holmes seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Ronald Johnston requested permission to obtain a permit to install fiber cable from Nelms Road along the right of way north on Anderson Road.

The county attorney informed Mr. Johnston that the dirt roads in rural Talbot County don't have adequate rights of way; he advised him to get the necessary easements from property owners in the areas of interest.

Mr. Johnston commended the county for their progress in improving conditions within the county, especially the road improvements.

Major Wesley Favors was present on Sheriff Johnson's behalf to request the board declare the 2012 Dodge Charger surplus and sell on Govdeals.com. The vehicle identification number is 2C3CDXAT1CH190642. Commissioner Wilson seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to grant Pres Hall's request and install speed breakers on Men's Club Road. Commissioner Couch seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to appoint Chairman Larry Sparks to serve on the River Valley Regional Commission Council. Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to approve the Assurance agreement with RVRC to participate in the future regional housing program to include in USDA's Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) grant application. Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote Passed 5-0-0.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to approve the O'Neal Volunteer Fire Department proceeding with the Georgia Forestry Firefighter Assistance Grant for 2023. Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Oak Mountain Resident, Teresa McCoon commented that Congressman Sanford Bishop will be in Talbot County Tuesday, February 7th to address the water issues in the Oak Mountain Subdivision.

Commissioner Couch addressed issues with the roads caused by Timber Harvesting.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:29 a.m. Commissioner Couch seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0-0.

Chair Sparks called the meeting back to order at 12:30 p.m.

Personnel matters and real estate were discussed in Executive Session.

No decisions were made.

Commissioner Wilson had an emergency and left the meeting prior to the executive session.

Commissioner Holmes made a motion to discontinue the IntraFi Network agreement with Peoples Bank of Georgia. This will not affect current or future Certificates of Deposits that are in the network. Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.

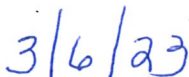
There being no further business, Commissioner Holmes made a motion to adjourn, Vice Chair Chapman seconded. The vote passed 4-0-0.



Larry Sparks, Chairperson



Carol Ison, County Manager



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