

May 21, 2013 Regular Meeting

**TOOMBS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COURTROOM**

LARGE

MAY 21, 2013

5:30PM

REGULAR MEETING

**PRESENT: MICHAEL BLAKE TILLERY, JEFF MCCORMICK, ROY LEE WILLIAMS, WENDELL
HUGH DIXON, DENNIS DARRIEL NOBLES, JOHN M.**

May 2013 Agenda

Toombs County Board of Commissioners

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Large Courtroom

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Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order

Invocation – Rev. Jim Clendenin

Approve Agenda

Approval of Minutes: April 16, 2013 Regular Board Meeting - April 16, 2013 Work Session

Employee Recognition

Public Participation

Development Authority Report

Department Reports

Board of Elections – Voting Precinct Report

EMS Week Proclamation

County Manager Report

- Financial Report
- EMS Report
- Total Quality Management Program - Update
- Payroll - Direct Deposit - Update
- LMIG Program – Update
- TSPLOST Project Changes
- Buildings Up-Date

- Medical Insurance Proposals
- Schedule of Retirement Plan Overview with Participants

County Engineer Report – Landfill

Standing Committee Reports

Commissioners Comments

Executive Session

Adjournment

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15 minutes after Regular Board Meeting Adjournment

Georgia Cooperative Services

Probate Court

Terry Drury – Regional Fiber Optic Access – Impact Networks Group

Normantown Speed Limit/Community Signs

JONES, AND BELINDA WHIRLEY

Call to Order: Chairman Tillery called the meeting to order.

Invocation: Rev. Jim Clendinen gave the invocation.

Approve Agenda: Commissioner Dixon made a motion seconded by the Commissioner Nobles to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes - April 16th, 2013 Regular Board Meeting: Commissioner Nobles made a motion seconded by Vice-Chairman McCormick to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

April 16th, 2013 Work Session: Commissioner Nobles made a motion seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the minutes of the work session as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Employee Recognition: Chairman Tillery recognized Tommy Thompson who runs the county landfill as employee of the Month for May 2013. He was presented with a \$50.00 gift certificate to J&Bs.

Public Participation: None.

Development Authority Report: Mr. Bill Mitchell of the Development Authority began his report by thanking the County Manager, John Jones for his work with getting the T-SPLOST Project going.

J M A Architectural Inc., of Perry has been hired to help the Authority with the new spec building. This building will be finished hopefully by the end of this year. We may need to three or four lane Jack Kingston. We already have some traffic issues with trucks.

The Authority met with a local industry in our location last week and they may be looking for an expansion in our area.

Mitchell informed the Commission that the Authority will meet with the Truax Veneer Company Inc., on May 30th, 2013 to find out what they need and how the Authority can help.

In conclusion, Bill informed the Commission that the May 2013 Georgia Trend Magazine has featured highlighted scenes from Toombs County on page 73-77. Mitchell thanked the Commission for all their help.

Department Reports:

Board of Election Voting Precinct Report: Carey Allgood, Elections Superintendent came before the Commission to discuss consolidation of some of the Voting Precincts. Also, she presented the Commission with a Toombs County Proposed Precincts.

Allgood informed the Commission that the County currently has 14 voting precincts and some of those are not ADA Compliant. They have been working with the Reapportionment Office in Atlanta and would like to try to consolidate down to 5 precincts.

Carey told the Commission that a lot of other counties in the state have already consolidated precincts. "We have decided on 5 sites, STI Adult Literacy Precinct, Vidalia Police Department Precinct, Cedar- Crossing EMS Precinct, New Branch Precinct, and Partin Park Precinct. We would have a savings if we did the consolidation. These buildings would need to have minor renovations to be ADA Compliant."

The Commission is concerned with those voters having to drive so far just to vote. How are these changes going to affect the voters?

Ms. Allgood pointed out that a lot of people have turned to early voting. Most People have to come to town during those 21 days for other reasons and find it easier just to go ahead and vote while they are in town.

Chairman Tillery pointed out that the County Attorney could not be here and according to him the Board of Elections is over the precincts.

Tillery appreciated Carey bringing this to the Commission and asked that she also meet with the cities if at all possible. In addition, he said "if you are going to have us put money into a building then let it be something that is used for more than just voting."

Alligood made the commission aware of the Board of Elections plans to consult with the cities and have a public hearing concerning the consolidation.

EMS Week Proclamation: This Week is designated, as Emergency Medical Services Week and the Commission has already signed the EMS Week Proclamation. Chairman

Tillery thanked all the doctors in the area who donated to the EMS Banquet. “I would like to honor and thank those doctors they are: Dr. Jeff Conner, Dr. Justin Osborne, Dr. Peter Higgins, Dr. Joseph Giles, and Dr. Joseph Foust. Also, I would like to thank all the EMS Employees.”

County Manager Report

Financial Report: Manager Jones gave a financial report for the month ending April 30th, 2013. No questions were asked about the financials.

Vice-Chairman McCormick made a motion seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the April Financials as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

EMS Report: Jones reported that EMS had 373 calls for the month of April. Their revenues were \$142,369.13 and their expenditures were \$131,769.15.

Total Quality Management Program Update: The Quality Management team had their last meeting last week. Everything is still going well with this program. They are continuing to make good suggestions and hopefully some of those the Commission will be able to implement.

Payroll - Direct Deposit Update: Last week was the first week of the Payroll Direct Deposit. Everything went well. We have about an 80% participation rate so we are hoping to get the other 20% to come on board.

LMIG Program Update: Bids will be open on June 13th, 2013 11:00 AM for the LMIG Project which is the resurfacing of B.A. Darley, Sanders, and Van Lewis Roads.

TSPLOST Project Changes: Jones informed the Commission that we have completed one T-SPLOST Project which Mr. Mitchell mentioned earlier in the meeting on Highway 130. There are 10 total projects proposed.

The following is a list of proposed projects and changes:

Priority	Project #	Project Name	2013-2015	2016-2019	2020-2022	Estimated Cost
10	HG-1141		X			\$628,600
8	HG-1140		X			\$279,900
1	HG-1147		X			\$165,974
4	HG-1145			X;		\$511,000

3	HG-1146	X	\$319,200
7	HG-1148	X	\$214,200
6	HG-1143	X	\$548,800
5	HG-1142	X	\$845,600
2	HG-1149	X	\$1,140,000
9	HG-1144	X	\$631,929
Total			\$5,285,203

AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED

Band 1 - 2013-2015	\$1,074,474	
Band 2 - 2016-2019	\$2,438,800	\$3,513,274
Band 3 - 2020-2022	\$1,771,929	\$5,285,203

BASED ON PRIORITY

Band 1 - 2013-2015 (1&2)	\$1,305,974	
Band 2 - 2016-2019 (3,4,5&6)	\$2,224,600	\$3,530,574
Band 3 - 2020-2022 (7,8,9 & 10)	\$1,754,629	\$5,285,203

Vice-Chairman McCormick made a motion seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the changes and contact the Regional Commission with the changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Buildings Up-Date: Manager Jones informed the Commission that the County needs to re-evaluate the DFCS Building. Alvin and his crew are currently working on the appearance of all buildings by cleaning the outside. Mr. Alvin has received a quote on a pressure washer that will be used to clean buildings and equipment. The cost is \$9,500.00 which includes one year’s worth of cleaner.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion seconded by Commissioner Nobles to purchase the pressure washer at a cost of \$9,500.00 to be purchased from SPLOST Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Medical Insurance Proposals: Proposals for insurance were presented. Our current Medical Insurance with BlueCross BlueShield of GA increased by 15%. The other companies either gave a higher quote, declined, or where not competitive based on information received.

Vice-Chairman McCormick made a motion seconded by Commissioner Nobles to keep the current coverage for employees. Motion carried unanimously.

Schedule of Retirement Plan Overview with Participants: Manager Jones presented the Schedule of Retirement Plan Overview with the Commission. Commissioner Nobles made a motion seconded by Commissioner Dixon to pay the recommended contribution of \$303,652.00. Motion carried unanimously.

County Engineer Report – Landfill: Hofstadter and Associates, Inc. presented options for Toombs County S1898-Phase III Subtitle “D”. He presented in detail the cost estimate to construct Lift I – Cells 14-16 at the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill. The total cost is estimated at \$3,357,116.00.

He also presented a cost estimate for full build out at a cost of \$9,117,168.30.

This presentation was just for information and no decision has to be made at this time.

After a brief discussion, the board decided that a work session on the landfill should be set up soon to discuss the options for the county.

Standing Committee Reports: Commissioner Dixon reminded everyone about the EMS Luncheon that will be held on Thursday, May 24th, 2013 at 12:00 Noon.

Commissioner Nobles informed the Commission that there has been discussion by the Landfill Committee to add another convenience center.

Nobles commended the road department and the landfill for the good job that they do.

Commissioners Comments: Commissioner Dixon informed everyone that Tommy Thompson has been with the Commission traveling to the different locations to see how surrounding county landfills are working.

Commissioner Nobles reminded everyone that the Lions Club will be cooking boston butts and sausages on Friday at the Depot.

Executive Session: Vice-Chairman McCormick made a motion seconded by Commissioner Dixon to go into executive session to discuss future acquisition of real estate.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion seconded by Vice-Chairman McCormick to end executive session.

No action taken as a result of the executive session.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting adjourned on a motion made by Vice-Chairman McCormick seconded by Commissioner Dixon at 7:10PM. Motion carried unanimously.