

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

PRESENT: DAVID SIKES, WENDELL HUGH DIXON, DARRIEL NOBLES, TOMMY ROLLINS, BLAKE TILLERY, JOHN M. JONES AND HELEN HARRIS.

Call to Order: Chairman Sikes called the August Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Chairman Sikes stated we are missing Commissioner Cason tonight. He has been ill but he and his wife are at home now and is doing much better. Please keep Commissioner Cason and his wife Mary in our prayers for continuing healing.

Invocation: Commissioner Dixon gave the Invocation.

Approve Agenda: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the Agenda.

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to accept the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes
July 21, 2020
Regular Board Meeting:** Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on July 21, 2020

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins approve the Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes
July 21, 2020
Workshop Minutes:** Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the Workshop Meeting held on July 21, 2020

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Workshop Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Development Authority
Reports:** **Michele Johnson** stated the Leadership Toombs-Montgomery (LTM) Orientation will be held on August 20th and 21st. There will be a ribbon cutting for Kodi's Kustoms Auto & Truck Accessories, 625 East First Street in Vidalia on Friday, August 21st at 4:00 PM. The Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, August 25th at 8:00 AM. The Development Authority is happy to announce the Spec Building #4, TCC, Lyons Project update; proposals are due by 9 AM on Thursday, August 20th; estimated completion date is January 31, 2021. Project "Cowboy", "Parallel" and "Spitfire" is still ongoing. The Development Authority board meeting will be held Thursday, August 20th at 12 noon. In marking news, Greater Savannah Regional Alliance (GSRA) Virtual Marketing Event will be held Tuesday, September 15th. The Project Managers Tour to Toombs County scheduled for September 15th – 16th will be postponed due to format change of GEDA Annual Meeting to virtual because of COVID-19 and travel restrictions of statewide project managers. We will attempt to reschedule in fall of 2021.

Department Reports: **Drew James**, EMS Director, for the month of July there were 682 calls for service and 24,865 miles placed on the units. The new ambulance for the county is back on schedule with General Motors and Custom Truck & Body Works; it is currently in paint production, with expectant delivery of mid-September.

Public Participation: None

Consideration of Approval Trade-In on Old Chassis to Custom Truck & Body Works:

Manager Jones stated in reference to the ambulance that is expected in mid-September, we are using an old box off of one of the chassis we own. Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc. has offered to buy the chassis for \$ 1,700 and will be credited to the new ambulance that is in production. We are asking the Board to approve the trade-in of \$ 1,750 for the old chassis.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the Trade-In of the old chassis to Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Appointments to the WIOA Board: John Raymond Turner- Workforce Representative; Mac Jordan – Business Representative; Dr. Barry Dotson – Education Representative:

Manager Jones stated John Raymond Turner, Mac Jordan and Dr. Barry Dotson have previously served on the WIOA Board and would like for the Board to re-appoint them to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Board with a term of three years.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman to re-appoint John Raymond Turner, Mac Jordan and Dr. Barry Dotson to the WIOA Board. Their terms would be for three years. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Renewal of Animal Control Agreement with City of Lyons:

Manager Jones stated the Animal Control Agreement with the City of Lyons has expired. Enclosed in the packet is the new agreement for the coming year. We ask the Board to approve the agreement with the City of Lyons.

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the renewal of Animal Control Agreement with the City of Lyons. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Resolution Requesting the Toombs County Public Facilities Authority to Issue Revenue Bonds to Finance the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of the New Courthouse and Detention Center Complex:

Manager Jones stated, in the packet you have a copy of this Resolution. This has been prepared by the Bond Attorney and reviewed by the county attorney. The resolution formerly requests the Public Facilities Authority to proceed forward to issue Revenue Bonds not to exceed \$35 million. Depending on the interest rate the face amount may vary. We are keeping the amount to be borrowed to coincide with an annual amortization not to exceed \$1.6 million. This is the amount we arrived at in the county's negotiations with the cities on the new split of SPLOST Dollars in the SPLOST call approved by voters earlier this year. Prior to the Public Facilities Authority Meeting, we will have a meeting with the Financial Advisors, Davenport and Company, to review their proposed plan in seeking financing. Shortly after that meeting, the Authority will call a meeting of their board to proceed forward with the financing. We ask that the Board approve this Resolution as presented.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to Approve the Resolution requesting the Toombs County Public Facilities Authority to Issue Revenue Bonds to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of the New Courthouse and Detention Center Complex. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Approval of a Stryker LIFEPAK 15 for EMS:

Manager Jones explained the EMS Department has a Lifepak that is giving some issues and needs to be replaced. Manager Drew James spoke on how important in have this device on board their unit. This is a cardiac and heart monitor and helps with appropriate care for the patients that have cardiac problems. Management is asking the Board to approve this purchase and be paid with EMS Funds and we will seek reimbursement under the CARES Act funding.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the purchase of a Stryker LIFEPAK 15 for EMS to be paid with EMS Funds and to seek reimbursement under the CARES Act funding. Motion carried unanimously.

County Manager Report: Manager Jones stated E-911 revenue is 2% under budget, expenses are 13% under budget. Landfill revenue is 8% above budget. EMS revenue is 3.93% under budget and expenses are 3.53% under budget. Overall the Maintenance and Operation expenses are 6.5% under budget. Almost half of this is due to LMIG expenses that have not been used yet. LOST collections for July are 0.295% below collection for July 2019. SPLOST collections for July 2020 are \$289.69 less than July 2019 or 0.17%.

Other Miscellaneous Items: In the Workers Comp Open Loss report we only have two outstanding claims. Generally speaking, 2020 so far has been one of our best years regarding worker comp claims.

In the packet you have the July Wellness Report. In our Health screening held in July we had 121 participants. 156 employees are currently signed up for the 2020-2021 wellness programs.

August 25th there will be a meeting with GDOT for the low impact bridge replacement program; we are looking at the bridge on Harden Chapel and Rocky Creek to replace. That process takes a couple of years but this is the same program we replaced the bridge on Green-Tippet Road.

The New Ross Bowen Building is expected to have bids in mid-September. The architect should have a packet in a couple of weeks.

Standing Committee Reports:

Commissioners

Comments:

Adjournment: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to adjourn from the Regular Board Meeting.

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

David Sikes, Chairman

Attest: _____
Helen Harris, County Clerk