

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

Call to Order: Chairman Sikes called September Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:32 P.M.

Invocation: Commissioner Cason gave the Invocation.

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

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to amend the Agenda for Consideration to Purchase Two (2) 2002 FL80 Freightliners Tanker Trucks. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for the Called
September 15, 2023 Board Meeting held on September 15, 2023.

Called Board Meeting:

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the minutes from September 15, 2023 Called Board Meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for the Called
September 19, 2023 Board Meeting held on September 19, 2023.

Regular Board Meeting:

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the minutes from September 19, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Development Authority **Michele Johnson** could not make the meeting due to a conflict in schedule.

Report:

Manager Jones announced the following events for Michele Johnson: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held on Oct. 18, 2023 for Styles by Barbara, 500 McIntosh Street, Vidalia. The Greater Vidalia Youth Leadership (GVYL) Agriculture Session will be held Thursday, October 19th. Leadership Greater Vidalia (LVG) Education Session will be held on Thursday, October 19th. Toombs County Development Authority (TCDA) Regular Monthly Meeting will be held in the Chamber & Development Authority Boardroom, 2805 E. First Street, Vidalia, Thursday, October 19th at 12:00 noon. There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Erasure Anti-Aging Clinic, 122 N. Washington Street, Lyons, Thursday, October 19th at 4:00 PM. Toombs County Housing Forum will be held at the Tattnal Auditorium, Southeastern Technical College, 3001 East First Street, Vidalia on Wednesday, October 25th at 8:00 AM until 10:00AM. Greater Vidalia Chamber (GVC) Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26th at 11:30 AM, 2805 E. First Street, Vidalia.

Department Reports: **Drew James**, EMS Director stated in September there were 544 calls for service. Thursday, Oct. 19, 2023 from 7:00 AM until Noon the department will have a state inspector that comes about every two years, to do a bumper to bumper inspection on the entire fleet of Ambulances. The next Public Relations Event, "Safety Day", will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the parking lot of Lowes of Vidalia.

Public Participation: Craig George, 3035 Georgia Hwy. 130 East, Lyons, GA 30436. Mr. George addressed the Board about the Non-Profit Origination and work with those with various alcohol, drug addiction, and mental issues. He explained the former Garden Club in Lyons was started by himself. Mr. George asked the Commissioner if they would help apply for grants for these types of services that Craig's group could provide.

Consideration of Approval of Alcohol License Application for Janis-Mart-Class A and La Joya Mexican Store -Class A: Manager Jones stated that both of these Businesses are renewals of existing Class A license. Both have complete applications and are in compliance with the County Alcohol License Ordinance. Management recommended that the Board approve both licenses as presented.

Commissioner Nobles made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon to approve the Alcohol License, Class A for Janis-Mart and La Joya Mexican Store. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Bid for EMS Ambulance: Manager Jones state in the Commissioners packet there was a copy of the Bid Opening Sheet and Bid Summary. Only one bid was submitted and it was from Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc., whom we have purchased all of our other ambulances. This is a remount ambulance, meaning we are purchasing a new truck and body and refurbished existing box to be placed on the new ambulance. Management recommended that the Board approve the bid of \$210,724 from Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc and to pay with SPLOST Funds.

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the bid of \$210,724 from Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc and pay with SPLOST Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Appointment of Mark Anners to fulfill the Unexpired Term of Duane Tomlin beginning January 2, 2024 to December 31, 2026 on the Toombs County Board of Assessors: Manager Jones stated that Mr. Tomlin has requested that the Board appoint someone else to fulfill the remaining balance of his term effective January 2, 2024. Mr. Mark Anners is recommended by Commissioner Darriel Nobles. Management recommended that the Board approve Mr. Mark Anners to complete the remaining term of Mr. Duane Tomlin beginning January 2nd, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026. Management recommended that the Board approve Mr. Mark Anners to complete the remaining term of Mr. Duane Tomlin beginning January 2nd, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026.

Commissioner Nobles made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon to appoint Mr. Mark Anners to complete the remaining term of Mr. Duane Tomlin for the Toombs County Board of Assessors, beginning January 2, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Quote for Maintenance Agreement for Procure LifePak Heart Monitors: Manager Jones stated that this is an annual maintenance agreement with Stryker Medical for the five (5) Heart Monitors we have on each ambulance. Management recommended that the Board approve the quote of \$8,430.29 for this annual agreement with payment from the EMS operating budget.

Commissioner Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the quote from Stryker Medical for five (5) Heart Monitors in the amount of \$8,430.29 for an annual agreement and pay with EMS operating budgeted funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Declaring 2004 Chevrolet Silverado Truck as Excess Manager Jones stated the truck currently resides at the courthouse parking lot and is not drivable. Previously it was broken into and the steering column has been damaged. It has over 216,000 miles on it. It currently serves no purpose for the county. Management recommended that the Board declare the vehicle as

Property and Disposal:

Excess property (Vin number: 2GCEC19T441186894) and to instruct the County Manager to sell by sealed bid.

Commissioner Nobles made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon to approve the County Manager to declare this 2004 Chevrolet Silverado Truck as excess property and sell by sealed bid. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution Urging the Governor and General Assembly of Georgia to Continue Efforts to Reform and Improve Mental Health Services for the Citizens of Georgia:

Manager Jones stated in the Commissioners packet there was a copy of this Resolution that ACCG is requesting the County's to pass. Management recommended that the Board approve and authorize Chairman Sikes to sign.

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the resolution urging the Governor and General Assembly of Georgia to Georgia and authorize the Chairman to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution Establishing Speed Limits for Ezra Taylor Road, Glynn James Road/Joe Harden Road (Paved) and Bud Jordan Road:

Manager Jones stated GDOT and the Georgia Department of Public Safety require the Board of Commissioners to pass a Resolution establishing the speed limits for county roads. In the Commissioners packet there was a copy of this proposed Resolution. It has been reviewed and approved by our Public Works Department and the Sheriff's Department. The Board approved so that the GDOT and Georgia Public Safety Department can and will add these roads to their list and update those roads that the Sheriff's office can now operate radar. Ezra Taylor Road, Glynn James/Joe Harden Road will be set at 40 miles per hour and Bud Jordan Road will be set at 45 miles per hour. Management recommended that the Board approve the Resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the Resolution establishing Speed Limits for Ezra Taylor Road, Glynn James Road (paved portion), Joe Harden Road, and authorize the Chairman to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Draft Ordinance Governing the Use and Regulations of Gray's Landing Park:

Manager Jones stated a copy of the proposed Ordinance and the Ordinance Adoption Policy. Last month, Management presented to the Board the need to consider an ordinance for Gray's Landing Park. In compliance with the County's Ordinance Adoption Policy, the Recreation Committee and Management presented a draft of this proposed Ordinance. The Board must now take action on this and authorize to continue with the process of holding a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public, once that is completed the Ordinance will be presented to the next Board meeting for approval, any changes necessary or decline the Ordinance. Management asked to proceed with the process.

Commissioner Cason made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dixon to approve the Draft Ordinance Governing the use and regulations of Gray's Landing Park and to process with a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Maintenance Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation for Project 0019218 and

Manager Jones stated this is a project the GDOT would like for us to do maintenance on. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) will provide funds to do the maintenance once they have finished the project. This is similar to the agreement that we have with DNR for Gray's Landing. Management recommends the Board to approve the County Manager to sign this agreement.

0019865: Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the Maintenance Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation for Trail Maintenance Resolution and authorize the County Manager to sign.

Consideration of Approval of Lease for 2024 F250 Truck for EMS from Enterprise Fleet Management under Sourcewell: Manager Jones stated a copy of the lease for a 2024 F250 Truck for EMS was included in the Commissioners Packet. This vehicle will be leased through Sourcewell which is a State Contracts. Management recommended to approve the lease and to use SPLOST funding to make the lease payments.

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the lease for a 2024 F250 Truck for EMS and use SPLOST funding the Lease payments. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Lease for 2024 Ford Expedition for Administration from Enterprise Fleet Management under Sourcewell: Manager Jones stated in the Commissioner Packet was a copy of the Lease agreement through Sourcewell for a 2024 ford Expedition for Administration use. Management recommends the Board approve this lease for a 2024 Ford Expedition for Administration with SPLOST funding these lease payments.

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the lease of a 2024 Ford Expedition for Administration Office from Enterprise Fleet Management under Sourcewell and pay the lease payments with SPLOST funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Health Service Agreement with Southern Health Partners, Inc. for Medical Services for the Jail: Manager Jones stated the current provider has provided notice of termination from their current contract with the county. In the Commissioners Packet there was a copy of a proposed agreement and a summary of the various other potential providers which include reference investigations and comments. The Sheriff's Office is requesting the Board approve this contract for Medical Services with Southern Health Partners, Inc. The cost is \$335,110 annually. Bases on the Sheriff's Office recommendation, management is recommending the Board approve this contract for Medical Services for the Jail from Southern Health Partners, Inc. at an Annualized cost of \$335,100. This will be paid from the Jail's M & O Budget.

Commissioner Cason made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Nobles to approve the contract for Medical Services at the Jail from Southern Health Partners, Inc. at an annualized cost of \$335,100. This will be paid from the Jail's Maintenance & Operational (M&O) Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration to Purchase Two (2) 2002 FL80 Freightliners Tanker Trucks: Manager Jones stated in the Commissioners Packet the information on the two (2) FL80 Freightliners (2002 year model). Vin numbers are 1FVHBXAK12HK06023 and 1FVHBXAK02HK0603, will be purchased from Kimble's Fuel Equipment Leasing LLC for a price of \$22,500 each and to be paid with SPLOST funds. .

Vice-Chairman Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to purchase two (2) FL80 Freightliners Tanker Trucks from Kimble's Fuel Equipment Leasing LLC for a price of \$22,500 each and to be paid with SPLOST funds. Motion carried unanimously.

County Manager Report Financial Report: Manager Jones stated at the end of 3rd Quarter, the M & O Budget Expenses are 2% under budget. E911 Revenue is 1% above budget and expenses are 17% under budget. Solid Waste Revenue is 17% above budget and expenses are on budget. EMS Revenue is 11% under budget with expenses 3% above budget. LOST is up 12% from the same month last year.

Miscellaneous: Health Insurance Report – In the Commissioners packet the monthly and YTD Health Insurance Report. YTD Plan Claims are \$10,177 less than this time last year. Also the Wellness Monthly Progress Report was included in the packet.

Standing Committee

Reports: None

Commissioners

Comments: None

Adjournment: Chairman Sikes adjourned the meeting at 6:10 PM.

David Sikes, Chairman

Attest: _____
Helen Harris, County Clerk

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