

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

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

Invocation: Commissioner Cason gave the Invocation.

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

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to amend the agenda to have an executive meeting following the Regular Board Meeting to discuss real estate. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on March 19, 2024.

May , 23 2024

Regular Board Meeting:

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the minutes from May 23, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Development Authority Report: Michele was unable to attend due to prior engagement.

Department Reports: None

Public Participation: None

Consideration of Closing a Portion of J. L. Thompson Road: Manager Jones stated in the Commissioners packet was a copy of the original request and two (2) maps indicating the portion to be closed on J. L. Thompson Road. A copy of the County's Policy on closing and abandoning a road was also provided. All of the impact statements came back that closing this portion of the road would not impact the delivery of services by these agencies. Prior to the Commissioners Meeting there was a public hearing to hear comments on closing this portion of the road.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to close the portion of J.L. Thompson Road indicated on the map provided. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Two (2) Appointments to the Board of Trustees for the Toombs County Libraries: Manager Jones stated a letter from Cameron Asbell, Regional Library Director, was included in the packet, requesting that the Toombs County Board of Commissioners reappoint Mrs. Rebekah Arnold and Mrs. Mary Moon whose terms are expiring on this board. The reappoint would have a term of three years. Management recommended that the Board reappoint both of these individuals to the Board of Trustees for the Toombs County Libraries.

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to reappoint Mrs. Rebekah Arnold and Mrs. Mary Moon to the Board of Trustees for the Toombs County Libraries with a term of February 2024 until February 2027. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Appointment to Fulfill the Unexpired Term of Mrs. Billie Jean Davis to the Board of Trustees for the Toombs County Libraries:

Manager Jones stated that Ms. Asbell requested the Toombs County Board of Commissioner to appoint Dr. Garrett Wilcox to fulfill the unexpired term of Mrs. Billie Jean Davis. Management recommended that the Board appoint Dr. Garret Wilcox to fulfill the unexpired term of Mrs. Billie Jean Davis to the Board of Trustees County Libraries.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to appoint Dr. Garrett Wilcox to fulfill the unexpired term of Mrs. Billie Jean Davis. Dr. Wilcox will fulfill Mrs. Billie Jean Davis' term of 02-01-2024 to 02-01-2027. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Removal & Install Rear Axle on Solid Waste Department CAT Model 730 Dump Truck from CAT:

Manager Jones stated a copy of the proposal were included in the packet. The county has recently replaced both the engine and transmission in this off-road Dump Truck. The proposal from CAT was in the amount of \$18,996.42 if we need to replace the brakes as well. In comparison, we found a used one for \$13,000 with no warranty and a rebuilt one with 90 day warranty was \$22,200.00. Neither proposal included replacing the brakes. Management recommended the proposal from CAT in the amount of \$18,996.43 be approved and pay from the Solid Waste Fund.

Vice-Chairman Nobles made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the proposal from CAT in the amount of \$18,996.43 to Removal & Install Rear Axle on Solid Waste Department CAT Model 730 Dump Truck and to pay from the Solid Waste Fund for the repair. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution Requesting Local Legislation Delegation for Creating Tax Allocation Districts:

Manager Jones stated that in the last month's meeting the Board approved to take this action. The Resolution included in your packet will formally make this request. Management recommended the Board to approve the Resolution.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the Resolution requesting Local Legislation Delegation for Creating Tax Allocation Districts. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Toombs County Solid Waste Issues:

Manager Jones stated we have had resident bring concerns to the board regarding some of these issues that the County is having with Solid Waste on our road ways and the County's Right-of-Ways. The County Attorney has prepared Memorandum answering these concerns as identified in Section I. Introduction. Manager Jones asked that the document be reviewed so that any concerns or questions could be addressed. Once the Toombs County Board of Commissioners is agreeable to the Memorandum, Management will then begin discussions with Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Office on the logistics. This will also involve the Courts in this endeavor so that all parties involved, Toombs County Board of Commissioners, Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Office, Magistrate Court and Department of Family Affairs (If this is a concern for the living conditions of an elderly or child). Vice-Chairman Nobles suggested doing a few Public Service Announcements on the radio asking for the general public to help keep our County Clean and not to throw their trash and used furniture on our road sides.

**County Manager Report
Financial Report:**

Manager Jones stated at 42% of the year complete, the Maintenance & Operating Budget expenses are at 38% of budget. Solid Waste, revenue is six percent over budget and expenses are three percent over budget, but the increase in revenues this should adjust out. We are accepting applications and working on getting more revenue through this process once approved. E911, as of May 31st, revenue is exactly on budget. Currently, we are showing \$46,423 net revenue over expenses. EMS, it has been a very encouraging revenue month in May as we received twenty two percent of our YTD revue in May alone.

Monthly meeting are being held via Zoom Meeting with the billing company. Additionally, we are meeting monthly the Matt and his staff at the hospital. Sales Tax continues to be strong, April 2024 sales taxes was 13.55% more than April 2023.

Miscellaneous: Included in the Commissioners Packet was the Workman Comp monthly reports and executive Summary for the Commissioners review.

Executive Meeting; Chairman Sikes announced that the Commissions would go into Executive Meeting to discuss real estate.

There was no motion in this meeting.
Chairman Sikes asked if there was a motion to close the Executive Meeting.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn from the executive meeting.

Standing Committee Reports:

Commissioners Comments: None

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

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the June Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.

David Sikes, Chairman

Attest: _____
Helen Harris, County Clerk