

REGULAR MEETING
FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 13, 2015 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Larry Maxey, Vice-Chairman Garry Fricks, Commissioners Irwin Bagwell, and Scotty Hancock.

OTHERS

PRESENT: County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Attorney Wade Hoyt, and Interim County Clerk Jaime Armstrong.

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhonda Wallace.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Larry Maxey called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Chairman Larry Maxey led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Irwin Bagwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Chairman Maxey asked County Attorney Wade Hoyt if the minutes were in order. County Attorney Hoyt stated the minutes have been reviewed and are in order. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to adopt the minutes of the Caucus and Regular Meeting of September 22, 2015. SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

1. Administrative/Finance Committee – Commissioner Bagwell, Chairman

a. Discussion regarding Employee Pay.

Commissioner Bagwell stated that he met with County Manager McCord, Assistant Manager Burkhalter and Finance Director Susie Gass of the Administrative/Finance Committee this morning to discuss employee pay overall as well as law enforcement pay.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Bagwell to Approve and Authorize a 1% COLA for all employees effective December 11, 2015 pay period as recommended by the Administrative/Finance Committee. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

Commissioner Bagwell stated the second item discussed at the meeting this morning was the law enforcement pay. He stated that they had previously talked about when to implement the compensation. Unfortunately, Commissioner Wallace, who served on the Law Enforcement Compensation Committee with him, was unable to be here with them today. He stated they came to the Board with a recommendation from that committee around a month ago, or maybe two months ago now, to implement a law enforcement pay increase over a period of three different phases. At that time, he believes that he and Commissioner Wallace were thinking that they would implement the increase next year in 2016. He stated since their finances have improved, the recommendation from the Law

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Enforcement Compensation Committee that he and Commissioner Wallace served on, and she chaired, would be to implement the pay increase starting with the first pay period in December 2015. As they recall, he and Commissioner Wallace had several meetings with everyone involved. He stated they came away with a good feeling that this is for the betterment of their law enforcement and public safety personnel. They were really happy about the outcome of those meetings. Chairman Maxey thanked Commissioners Bagwell and Wallace for working so diligently and for a great job well done on that committee.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Bagwell to Approve and Authorize Law Enforcement Compensation Plan reduced by 1% COLA effective December 11, 2015 pay period. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock.

Commissioner Hancock stated he would just like to commend Commissioner Wallace and Commissioner Bagwell for that. He stated he thinks this does show that their Board is serious about their law enforcement and serious about their pay issues. They heard the problems they had and they worked diligently to solve those problems. He stated he thinks that this is a great opportunity to show them their support. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

2. Public Safety Committee – Commissioner Maxey, Chairman

No report.

3. Public Works Committee – Commissioner Wallace, Chairman

County Manager McCord stated he would like to give an update following their visit from Morgan Ayers and Don Davis along with other residents from the Fouché Gap/Lavender Trail area to voice concerns and request assistance in addressing various issues affecting the quality of life in their community. He stated the county has removed about a trailer load of debris from the area, which was caused by illegal dumping that occurs continuously. Floyd County Police Chief Bill Shiflett has also talked with Officer Don Davis, who is a city police officer that lives in that area, about the neighborhood watch program, signage, and the process to get that started; they are working together on that. He stated the speed limit sign has been replaced. In addition, the county met with Georgia Power Company this week about installation of street lighting per the county policy, which they are going to propose to the neighborhood as a whole to see if they would be interested in that. This is just a start. He stated there are a few other things they are looking into. Unfortunately, the remote area becomes a dumping ground in the early hours of the morning or late at night due to poor lighting among other things. He stated they are doing their best to address the issues of the neighborhood, and will continue to work with them going forward.

4. Water Committee – Commissioner Fricks, Chairman

No report.

5. Judicial Services Committee (CJIS) – Commissioner Fricks

No report.

6. Floyd County Library Board – Commissioner Hancock

No report.

7. Special Committee Reports.

a. Fire Overview Committee – Commissioners Bagwell & Fricks

No Report.

b. Joint Services Committee – Commissioners Maxey & Bagwell

No Report

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c. Joint Development Oversight Committee – Commissioners Bagwell & Wallace

No Report

d. Joint Solid Waste Oversight Committee – Commissioners Bagwell & Wallace

No report

e. SPLOST Project Overview Committee – Commissioner Maxey & Bagwell

County Manager McCord stated first and foremost, the Animal Control Project has been progressing. He stated they discussed and approved their intent to enter into an agreement with Peacock Partnership at the last meeting. They have met with them weekly since then to start the process. He stated they hope to have a final agreement for consideration at the next meeting. They have a project schedule in place, and they are working hard toward that guaranteed maximum pricing for both the Animal Control and Special Operations Projects. He stated they did allude to the proposed timeline that they would like to maintain, which would put completion in October of 2016. It is not too fast, but it is a speedy process, which would require weekly meetings with Peacock Partnership to maintain the schedule. He stated lastly, a SPLOST Committee Update, which is the Citizens Advisory Committee that was in that group, would meet November 05, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in Cave Spring for a tour of Fannin Hall. Mayor Rob Ware will be there with them, and will guide them on the tour. He stated they would more than likely be meeting in the Community Room behind Fannin Hall.

f. RFPRA Task Force Committee – Commissioners Maxey & Fricks

No report.

CLERK’S REPORT:

Consent Agenda

Interim County Clerk Jaime Armstrong stated there are five items on the Clerk’s Consent Agenda, which have been reviewed and are submitted for approval.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Bagwell to Approve and Authorize Execution of items submitted under the Clerk’s Consent Agenda as presented. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

- 1. Approve request from Tax Commissioner for Refund of Motor Vehicle Tax Payment made in error in the amount of \$427.52.**
- 2. Approve and Authorize Award of Bid for Roof Replacement at the Forum. (Insurance/2013 SPLOST Forum Civic Center Facility Upgrade Project)**
- 3. Approve and Authorize Award of Bid for the Purchase of One (1) 15 Passenger Van for the Prison.**
- 4. Approve and Authorize Award of Bid for the Purchase of Two (2) 4x4 ½ Ton Pickup Trucks for the Public Works Department.**
- 5. Approve and Authorize Award of Bid for the Purchase of Skid Steer Loader for Recycling Center. (2013 SPLOST Rome-Floyd County Recycling Center Improvements Project)**

MANAGER’S REPORT:

- 1. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXTENSION OF CURRENT CONTRACT WITH PEEK PAVEMENT MARKING, LLC, FOR GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT) OFF SYSTEM SAFETY PROJECT (P.I. NUMBER 0011650) FOR THE PLACEMENT OF STANDARD ROAD SIGNS, ROADWAY STRIPING AND STOP LINES.**

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County Manager McCord stated the request for extension of their current contract with Peek Pavement Marking, LLC, is for their Off System Safety Project through the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the placement of signs, roadway striping, stop bars, and raised pavement markers. He stated the majority of the project is complete, but Peek Pavement Marking, LLC, has asked for an extension on the signage due to some material delivery issues. This would not affect the county's contract with GDOT. He stated they are asking for an extension through December 01, 2015. The contract was originally set to expire on October 16, 2015 though they will not meet that deadline. He recommended approval of extension to the current contract as presented.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve and Authorize Extension of Current Contract with Peek Pavement Marking, LLC, for Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Off System Safety Project (P.I. Number 0011650) for the placement of standard road signs, roadway striping, and stop lines. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

2. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF GRANT ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT FOR LINDALE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION.

County Manager McCord stated they have before them a Grant Administration Agreement for the Lindale Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) with Ron Sitterding. He stated Mr. Sitterding has a lot of experience in CDBG applications both as Community Development Director with the City of Rome and as a consultant since his retirement from the city. They are recommending Mr. Sitterding at a rate of \$40.00 per hour with a maximum of 100 hours not to exceed \$4,000.00. He stated the length of the agreement would coincide with the grant process, which could be up to three years though at this time they do not anticipate it taking that long. Mr. Sitterding would be handling a lot of the coordination efforts and scheduling that is necessary to get the county in line for the April 2016 grant application to ensure that they meet that deadline. He recommended approval of the agreement with Ron Sitterding as presented.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve and Authorize Execution of Grant Administration Agreement for Lindale Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application with Ron Sitterding at a rate of \$40.00 per hour with a maximum of 100 hours not to exceed \$4,000.00. SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

3. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN FLOYD COUNTY AND COOSA VALLEY REGIONAL SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) VANS FOR THE ROME SENIOR CENTER MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM.

County Manager McCord stated Coosa Valley Regional Services would like to purchase two vans for the Rome Senior Center Meals on Wheels Program. He stated they currently have two vans that they would like to surplus due their age and high mileage. The two vans are actually owned by the state. He stated under this agreement, Coosa Valley Regional Services would purchase the vans but the vans would become a county asset to be used for the Meals on Wheels Program. Other than the county not owning the vehicles once the agreement has expired, this is not unlike what they do currently as they already maintain, provide fuel, and service the vehicles for that program. He stated this would be an improvement where they have two new vehicles for that program with no expense other than the maintenance agreement that they already have in place. He recommended approval of the agreement for the purchase of the two vans as presented with the capital expense being provided by Coosa Valley Regional Services.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Fricks to Approve and Authorize Execution of Agreement between Floyd County and Coosa Valley Regional Service and Development Corporation for the Purchase of Two (2) Vans for the Rome Senior Center Meals on Wheels

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Program. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

4. APPROVE AWARD OF BID AND TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN FLOYD COUNTY AND GEORGIA POWER COMPANY, FOR PERIMETER LIGHTS AT THE FLOYD COUNTY JAIL. (2013 SPLOST FLOYD COUNTY JAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT)

County Manager McCord stated they had the perimeter lighting, which is a 2013 SPLOST Project, on the agenda for consideration several months ago though they decided to hold off due to some other maintenance issues that came up at the Jail. He stated those maintenance issues have been stabilized so they are now recommending approval for seventeen LED light fixtures to be installed on existing Georgia Power owned poles. This is a sole source award of bid. He stated they advertised back in March 2015 with no objections to the county going through Georgia Power for this project. Georgia Power would provide installation services and lifetime maintenance for the perimeter lighting as long as they choose to keep them. He stated the upfront amount would be \$53,000.00 for capital with the monthly payment amount being \$421.74, which is about a \$200.00 reduction over the high pressure sodium lights that are currently in place. He recommended approval of the lease agreement with Georgia Power for perimeter lighting at the Jail as presented.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve Award of Bid and Authorize Execution of Lease Agreement between Floyd County and Georgia Power Company for Perimeter Lights at the Floyd County Jail (2013 SPLOST Floyd County Jail Improvements Project) in the amount of \$53,000.00 with a monthly payment of \$421.74. SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell
" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

County Manager McCord stated he has one more item for information. He stated there would be a Floyd-Bartow Development Corridor Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting tonight at the Bartow County Chamber of Commerce from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to kick off further discussions of moving forward with planning efforts to identify the improvements between Interstate 75 and US 411. He stated again, Georgia Department of transportation (GDOT) is reorganizing this committee and trying to get everyone together that would be serving on this committee. He hopes to be able to provide further information on this project at a later date.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman Maxey recognized Leadership Rome participants in attendance.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

No report.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, a MOTION was made by Commissioner Bagwell, SECOND by Commissioner Hancock, that the meeting be adjourned. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Bagwell

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" Hancock
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

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LARRY N. MAXEY, CHAIRMAN

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CAUCUS**

October 13, 2015 1:30 PM

Present: Commissioners Irwin Bagwell, Garry Fricks, Scotty Hancock, and Larry Maxey, County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Attorney Wade Hoyt, and Interim County Clerk Jaime Armstrong.

Absent: Commissioner Rhonda Wallace.

Commissioners and staff reviewed items on the agenda for the meeting of October 13, 2015.

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