

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017 AT 4:30 P.M.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administration Building. Present for the meeting were: Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, Commissioner Craig Bryant, County Manager Michael Melton, Finance Director Vicki Mays, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Rev. Mike Borchert of Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church & the White County Ministerial Alliance provided the invocation.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the minutes of the Work Session & Regular Meeting held March 27, 2017, the Budget Work Session held April 11 & 12, 2017, and the Work Session & Called Meeting (including Executive Session Minutes) held April 24, 2017.

Mr. Richard Riley made a presentation regarding the future Helen to Hardman Trail Project. He stated that the State of Georgia had set aside \$1.5 million for the project and the anticipated dedication date was Spring 2018.

Mr. Carl Dann, Chairman of the White County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, presented the "Operation Thank You" Plaque to the Board of Commissioners in recognition of the Board's investment in the White County Chamber of Commerce.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to approve the following consent agenda:

- Approval of the Assignment of Services Agreement with Sentinel Offender Services LLC and CSRA Probation Services, Inc. related to Probation Services in White County Probate Court & White County Magistrate Court;
- Grant acceptance of the 2016 JAG Byrne Grant in the amount of \$86,709.00 from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners related to the absorption of the North Georgia Drug Task Force by the Appalachian Regional Drug Enforcement Office;
- Renewal of the memorandum with the Enotah Judicial Circuit Counties to conduct activities for the Enotah Judicial Circuit's Juvenile Justice Project coordinated through Family Connections;

- Award of a matured Certificate Of Deposit (CD) currently held at United Community Bank in the amount of \$169,400.00 to Mountain Valley Community Bank for a 12 Month Term;
- Approval of an upgrade to the Road Department’s chipper through Mason Tractor Co. with the trade-in of the 12” chipper;
- Grant acceptance for White County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) related to a portable generator grant in the amount of \$59,580.00 (County Budgeted Match \$8,937.00) from Federal / Georgia Emergency Management Agencies (FEMA / GEMA) – authorizing the County Manager to execute related purchase orders; and
- Grant acceptance for the White County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) related to a grant for a weather station located at White County High School in the amount of \$38,823.00 (county budgeted match \$5,824.00) from Federal / Georgia Emergency Management Agencies (FEMA / GEMA) – authorizing the County Manager to execute the related purchase orders.

-End of Consent Agenda-

Mr. Melton stated that three (3) bids had been received for the rehabilitation project on three (3) county bridges. He noted that all the bids far exceeded the cost estimates prepared by the engineers on the project – specifically that the county had been awarded a LMIG Funds for the project in the amount of \$382,326.74 and the lowest bid was from L.C. Whitford in the amount of \$1,878,887 (base) / \$2,047,434.00 (with concrete overlay). Mr. Melton noted that both GDOT and the project engineer were reviewing bids. He recommended the Board reject the bids received in light of the unanticipated high costs. Chairman Turner emphasized that rehabilitation of Town Creek Bridge is especially a priority for the Board.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to reject all bids received for the bridge rehabilitation project.

Mr. Melton presented the bids received for the Carolina Springs Road Improvement Project. He stated that Square Deal Enterprises was the low bidder at \$478,891.00 and indicated that project funding from a CDBG was \$358,000.00 with an additional \$150,000.00 possibly available from GDOT. Representatives from Square Deal stated that if they were selected to do the job, they would be able to begin work in mid to late June.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to award the Carolina Springs Road Improvement Project to Square Deal Enterprise in the amount of \$478,891.00 to be paid from CDBG / GDOT Funds.

Mr. Melton announced that two (2) proposals were received for the Yonah Preserve Construction Manager at Risk and the Board needed to designate a review committee to evaluate the proposals according to the criteria in the Request for Proposals (RFP).

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Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Bryant the following individuals were designated as the Yonah Preserve Construction Manager at Risk Proposal Review Committee: Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Edwin Nix, County Manager Michael Melton, Director of Public Works Dave Cangemi, SPLOST Manager Kevin Hamby, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the monthly Financial Status Report (see attached).

Mr. Melton did not have any comments for the County Manager section of the agenda.

Chairman Turner opened the floor for citizen participation.

Ms. Cindy Bailey, President of the White County Chamber of Commerce, announced upcoming Chamber events.

With no further public comments – Chairman Turner closed the floor.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting.

The minutes of the May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated, this 5th day of June, 2017.

-Signatures on Following Page-

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSONERS

s/Travis C. Turner

Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger

Terry D. Goodger, District 1

s/Lyn Holcomb

Lyn Holcomb, District 2

s/Edwin Nix

Edwin Nix District 3

s/Craig Bryant

Craig Bryant, District 4

s/Shanda Murphy

Shanda Murphy, County Clerk