

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORK SESSION NOTES

MONDAY, JULY 30, 2012 AT 4:30 P.M.

The purpose of work session is to discuss agenda items for the Regular Meeting to be held Monday, August 6, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session on Monday, July 30, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the White County Courthouse. Present at 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 Smallwood.

- Discuss Mr. Ron Lee's Appeal To The White County Code Appendix A (Subdivisions), Article 6 (Design Requirements For Streets), Section 601 (Access) And Article 8 (Design Requirements For Blocks And Lots) Section 802 (Lot Width And Size) Relative To The Lot (White County Air Park) Deeded To Mr. Lee On July 22, 2003.

Commissioners agreed this item could be addressed on the consent agenda at the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting since no back taxes were owed on the property. Mr. Wetzel, who also owns property in the Air Park, asked that the Commissioner determine if the appeals process could be modified to accommodate the issues that routinely arise from properties at the Air Park appealing the subdivision regulations. It was requested that staff review the area and the applicable subdivision regulations in order to determine possible changes which could be made. There was a consensus that the approval of Mr. Lee's appeal would be placed on the consent agenda at the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS THE GRANT AWARD FOR WHITE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMISSION FOR EMS VEHICLE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT.

Mr. Bill Scandrett, White County EMS, stated that a purchase order in the amount of \$72,254.00 needed to be issued by the county to Peach State Ambulance in order for the replacement ambulance to be order, with the purchase to be reimbursed by the grant funds. He indicated that since White County was purchasing the ambulance that Northeast Georgia Medical Center would need to enter into an agreement in order to utilize and insure the vehicle. There was a consensus that acceptance of the grant award and purchase of the replacement ambulance would be placed on the consent agenda at the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS THE DRAFT SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY.

Mr. Melton presented a draft social media policy for the Board of Commissioner's review. He stated this had become a very important area for public employers to address. He indicated that the policy had been recently produced by the Association County Commissioners of Georgia

(ACCG) and they, as the carrier of the County's liability insurance, had suggested that this be reviewed for implementation. Chairman Turner stated that the County was not seeking to limit employee's expressing their opinions; however we employees identify themselves as County employees their opinions as expressed can interfere in the efficient and effective operations of government – resulting in a liability for the County. There was a consensus that consideration of the social media policy would be placed on the voting portion of the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting agenda.

- DISCUSS PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE OF SECONDARY METAL RECYCLER REGISTRATIONS BY THE WHITE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Sheriff Neal Walden explained this requirement for registration was produced from the 2012 legislative session and the resolution presented would set the fees for the registration and designate where the fees would go - \$100.00 to the Georgia Sheriff's Association and \$100.00 to the County. There was a consensus that approval for the resolution setting forth the procedures for issuance of secondary metal recycler registrations would be placed on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS BIDS RECEIVED FOR A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT (CD) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$640,000.00, CURRENTLY HELD AT MOUNTAIN VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK.

Bids are received were presented – Mountain Valley Community Bank 12 months .1000% and United Community Bank 12 months .1501%. There was a consensus that that awarding the bid for this CD to United Community Bank would be placed on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS YEAR END AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 2012 BUDGET.

Budget adjustments were presented by Vicki Mays. There was a consensus to place the adoption of a resolution to approving as presented on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT RENOVATIONS OVER THE \$21,000.00 ALLOCATED FROM THE 2008 SPLOST.

There was a consensus that the \$ 840.00 charge for the installation of the dental chair at the White County Health Department be placed on the consent agenda for approval at the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting – with total 2008 SPLOST allocations for renovations for the Health Department to be \$21,840.00.

- DISCUSS THE 2012 LOST CERTIFICATE OF DISTRIBUTION REQUIRED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2012.

Mr. Melton stated that it had been identified that the Lost Option Sales Tax (LOST) had been disbursed at 60% / 20% / 20% since the tax was implemented in 1982. He stated he had met with

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the managers of the cities as instructed and this information had been documented. The certification of distribution would need to be approved by both cities and to the Department of Revenue by September 1, 2012. There was a consensus that the approval of the 2012 LOST Certification of Distribution be placed on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting -with the distribution to remain at 60% / 20% / 20%.

- MR. KEVIN HAMBY TO PRESENT THE 2008 SPLOST UPDATE.

Presentation was made (see attached).

- DISCUSS WHITE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR ALLOCATIONS FROM 2008 SPLOST FUNDS FOR:
 - STRIP PATCHING OF PARADISE VALLEY ROAD, ASBESTOS ROAD, AND SKYLAKE ROAD (TO BE DONE BY COUNTY FORCES) – IN ANTICIPATION OF FUTURE LEVELING AND RESURFACING;
 - LEVELING AND OVERLAY OF TOWN CREEK ROAD FROM SR 115 TO TOWN CREEK CHURCH ROAD (TO BE BID OUT FOR CONTRACT);
 - STRIP PATCHING OF 11 COUNTY ROADS (TO BE DONE BY COUNTY FORCES) – IN ANTICIPATION OF RESURFACING IN SPRING 2013;
 - STRIP PATCHING OF 18 COUNTY ROADS(TO BE DONE BY COUNTY FORCES); AND
 - PURCHASE OF A SPREADER TRUCK.

There was a consensus that additional information was needed regarding possibly purchasing a used spreader truck instead of the new vehicle (\$162,000.00 @ state contract price) as presented. Doug Dockery will research and return information on possible options to Mr. Melton. There was a consensus that the total road work project as presented (total estimate of \$847,203.00) and the purchase of the spreader truck be placed on the voting portion of the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting agenda.

Chairman Turner requested that the planned work schedule for the Road Department be sent to Mr. Melton and forward to the BOC each week.

- DISCUSS DECLARING A 1992 FORD F350 CAB & CHASSIS AND A 1974 FORD D4110 CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE WHITE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT AS SURPLUS.

There was a consensus that that the resolution approving the surplus of the Road Department equipment be placed on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

- DISCUSS THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY HOMELAND SECURITY 2012 PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT.

David Murphy presented the annual requirements. There was a consensus that the approval of this agreement be placed on the consent agenda for the August 6, 2012 Regular Meeting.

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- REVIEW THE AGENDA FOR THE MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2012 REGULAR MEETING.

Agenda was reviewed and approved.

Mr. Frank Ball, 413 Head Street Cleveland, GA – presented questions to the Board of Commissioners regarding the FY 2011 audit. He stated the questions had been submitted to County Staff on Thursday, July 26, 2012. Staff indicated they would have the answers to Mr. Ball within the next few days.

Minutes of the July 30, 2012 Work Session were approved by the White County Board of Commissioners.

August 6, 2012

s/Shanda Smallwood
Shanda Smallwood, County Clerk