

**WORK SESSION MEETING
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, John Nugent called the work session meeting of the Berrien County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, at 6:05 p.m. Members of the Board of Commissioners present were, Commissioner Steve Sumner, Commissioner Jimmy Parker, Commissioners Robert Griner and Doc Sumner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Rest EZ Contract – Brenda Herring – Brenda Herring addressed the board about some of the concerns she has at the transfer site. There was discussion on the trash compactor, the servicing of the compactor as well as the disadvantages she is seeing using the compactor. She said the dump site does not make money. She was asked by the Board to contact Greg Walk with Advanced Disposal to discuss some of the issues she has to get his opinion. Brenda Herring advised the Board that she feels it would be in her best interest to not operate the transfer site. The board asked her if she would continue until we have time to bid it out. Brenda Herring agreed to continue the operation until we bid the operation out.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Equipment Acquisition – Magistrate – Administration received a request from Judge Carter, Magistrate Judge, to purchase sound equipment with recording capability for the courtroom at the jail. She received one quote from Southern Music Company out of Cordele. The quote was \$3,774.00. Commissioner Griner requested she get a quote from Rutlands Music in Valdosta.

B. Equipment Acquisition – E-911 – Administration received a request from Angie Rutland, E-911/EMA Director, to purchase a new camera and recording system for the E-911 building. There is a camera system in place but it does not work properly and has no voice recording capability.

C. Requisition for Services with Southern Georgia Regional Commission – E-911 – Fire Districts – Administration received a request from Angie Rutland, E-911 Director/EMA Director, to contract with Southern Georgia Regional Commission to redraw the fire districts. The cost will be no more than \$1,000.00. Chairman John Nugent said that he gave Angie Rutland the approval to move forward with this so this will need to be ratified.

D. Vehicle Repair – Wbfd – Administration received a request from Terry Danforth, Wbfd Chief, to purchase tires for a GMC Brigadier Super Knocker. They are requesting to change tire size and wheels due to the lack of availability of the size. They have provided quotes from Ne-ro Tire & Brake Service, Inc., The Tire Store, LLC, Nashville Tire and Southeastern Commercial Tire. Shop Foreman, Charles Rasmussen is recommending the quote from Ne-Ro Tire & Brake Service for \$4,260.54.

E. Budget Amendment Resolution – Administration is requesting the board approve the budget amendment for FY 2-15-2016. These items are all items that were approved throughout the year. County Administrator, Brenda Ferrell, stated general fund ended a with a surplus of \$439,739.95. Trial Balance Sheets, Revenue & Expenditure Reports and Balance Sheets for all funds are available for review.

F. Pipe Acquisition – Road – Administration received a request from Ben Warren, Public Works Director, to purchase pipe for Ten Mile Creek. The bottoms of the pipes are completely rusted out. The water is low enough now to replace the pipes. There is concern if we do not replace the pipes,

we could have damage to the road. Ben Warren stated that there is a safety concern there and that he found pipe on Tom Bryan Rd also that needs to be replace. The Board gave Ben Warren the directive to order the pipe due to the fact it is a safety concern.

G. Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Nashville – Scoreboards – Administration recommended the board approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Nashville on the scoreboards which they purchased. The City purchased two scoreboards with their hotel motel tax to promote tourism. The county will be responsible for the maintenance on these scoreboards.

H. Ratification Items – Administration requested ratification on the following items:

Multicoper Warehouse – Forestry	\$1,259.00
Baker Distributing Company - Ice Machine – Ag Center	\$2,953.70
Cherokee Culvert – Pipe	\$2,193.60
Madicus Health – Drug Court Supplies	\$2,085.00
Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics – Drug Court Supplies	\$6,525.20
Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics – Drug Court Supplies	\$ 752.85
Bob Barker – Jail Supplies	\$1,039.54

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER’S ITEMS:

Doc Sumner –

- Requested that when a new commissioners comes in that the county administrator meet with them and go through policy and procedures and training. Brenda Ferrell, County Administrator, stated that she does that and that she has already made contact with the commissioner coming in January 1, 2017.

Jimmy Parker –

- Darby with the FSA Office contacted Commissioner Parker about the carpet and a/c at the FSA Office. Maintenance checked the a/c and there is not a problem. Maintenance is requesting Commissioners go by and look at the carpet, as it probably needs to be replaced or put tile down.

Steve Sumner –

- Commissioner Sumner gave an update on the hospital. He, Brenda Ferrell and Crissy Staley met with the Nursing Home Director today to see if there were issues between them and the hospital that we could possibly assist in any way. We have been told that the EPIC Software will be installed at the Berrien Campus. This cost is \$750,000.00 which South Georgia Medical will be funding. It appears that they will keep this hospital open for at least a while. There is no guarantee how long.

John Nugent –

- We have just found out that in order to have our new stations certified as a fire station, we have to have a Class A Pumper in that station. Four new pumpers will cost just over \$1,000,000.00. The Board asked about used pumpers. Chairman Nugent explained that our fire stations would need a pumper that is 28 ft. long. Most used pumpers are larger than that. Chairman Nugent stated that we can add a 10 ft. section to the structures which will be an additional \$9,800.00 per station. Bob Mikell, stated that Texas has a used truck that is approximately \$60,000.00 but would like to know tomorrow if we are interested. Commissioner Steve Sumner said in his opinion we don’t need to jump out there and commit to that. We need to see what the inventory is with each fire department and what is being used. We may have equipment that we can move to the new stations. Chairman Nugent said that Nashville may have one truck that could possibly pass the pump test. The Board asked Bob Mikell to get the inventory of all fire departments and what equipment is not being used and bring it back to the board next week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

Brenda Ferrell –

- Received a call from Dan Taylor about the concrete at the Ag Barn. The hog show is in November. They would like to know when they can move forward with this. This is a capital item that was approved during budget process. Commissioner Jimmy Parker will work with them to get quotes.
- Opening Ceremony for the Smithsonian is August 13th at 11:00.
- There is a possibility that we will need to purchase a scoreboard for the football field. We may have one donated but it not that expense will be \$3,171.55 plus installation.
- Brenda Ferrell gave an update on the EMS Building in Alapaha and the request to install a door so we do not have two extra a/c units running. The Mayor does not want us to put up a door. I explained the situation to the City Clerk and this will discuss it again at their meeting August 2nd.
- LMIG Striping Funds – Shon Hampton is getting a firm bid from Scruggs. Verbally it was discussed as a \$150,000.00 project which seems a little high. We may need to look a bidding this out. He will let me know his opinion before Regular Session next week.
- Enigma Fire Department took a 80's model truck to the shop along with a list of 24 items to be fixed. Charles Rasmussen is getting a quote on the items but there is concern that we may not want to put too much money in to repairs. It is obvious by the list of repairs that it has been out of service for some time. We will have a quote next week.
- ACCG will be presenting the county with a \$37,015.00 check tomorrow. These funds are being reimbursed by ACCG to the county on investments that ACCG made.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: (personnel)

Chairman John Nugent requested an executive session for personnel. Commissioner Robert Griner made a motion to enter into executive session for personnel at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Doc Sumner. Commissioner Robert Griner made a motion to go out of executive session at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker.

ADJOURN

With no other business to come before the Board, Commissioner Robert Griner made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Chairman, John Nugent

Vice Chairman, Steve Sumner

Commissioner, Jimmy Parker

Commissioner, Robert Griner

Commissioner, Doc Sumner

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County Clerk