

**REGULAR SESSION MEETING
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 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 9, 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.

Invocation: Commissioner Jimmy Parker

Pledge: Commissioner Robert Griner

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Robert Griner made the motion to approve the July 12, 2016 Regular Session Minutes, the August 2, 2016 Work Session Minutes and the August 2, 2016 Executive Session Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

Additions to Agenda: Commissioner Jimmy Parker made the motion to add Item I to the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Rest EZ Contract – The Board discussed the need to put out a request for proposal for the operation of the transfer site since Brenda Herring gave told the board that she wanted to give up the site. Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to move forward with putting a bid out as soon as possible, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

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. At this time, the second quote has not been received. Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to allow County Administrator and Judge Carter move forward after receiving another quote up to an amount of \$3,774.00, seconded by Commissioner Robert Griner. The motion carried unanimously.

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. Angie Rutland is in the process of trying to get another quote. Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to allow County Administrator to authorize the purchase up to \$2,992.91 after receiving a second quote, seconded by Commissioner Robert Griner. The motion carried unanimously.

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. Commissioner Steve Sumner made a motion to ratify the Requisition for Services with Southern Georgia Regional Commission for no more than \$1,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

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. Commissioner Robert Griner made the motion to approve the tire and wheel purchase from Ne-Ro Tire & Brake Service for \$4,260.54, seconded by Commissioner Steve Sumner. The motion carried unanimously.

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. Commissioner Steve Sumner stated this is the fifth consecutive year with a surplus. Commissioner Jimmy Parker made the motion to approve the Budget Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Doc Sumner. The motion carried unanimously.

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. County Administrator Brenda Ferrell stated that this needs to be ratified as Ben Warren was given the approval to proceed with the purchase of the pipe due to safety concerns. Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to ratify the purchase of pipe from Cherokee Culvert Company in the amount of \$19,278.00, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

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. County Attorney Jennifer Herzog stated she has some concern with the wording on the terms for maintenance of the sign. The Board is comfortable with the wording. Commissioner Robert Griner made the motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Nashville for the scoreboards, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

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
Cherokee Culvert – Pipe	\$8,262.00
Fausett Oil – Oil and Hydraulic Fluid	\$3,552.50
Martin Motors – Repair of Motor – Sheriff	\$1,466.67

Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to ratify the items listed, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

I. Addition to Ag Barn – Extension – Administration received quotes for the concrete addition to the Ag Barn. This is a budgeted capital item. The quotes were: Sparks Concrete and Construction \$12,768.58, Concrete by Clark \$11,855.00 and V & R Construction, Inc. for \$15,950.00

Commissioner Steve Sumner stated that he is abstaining from the vote because he believes his nephews son is an owner in this business. Commissioner Jimmy Parker made the motion to approve the quote from Concrete by Clark for \$11,855.00, seconded by Commissioner Robert Griner. The motion carried with 4 Yes and 1 Abstain.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER'S ITEMS:

Robert Griner –

- Roger Brown provided a quote to construct a new top on the dugout that was torn down due to an accident. His quote was \$3,000.00. Commissioner Griner asked if we want to bid it out or go with that quote. Commissioner Parker stated Roger Brown has always done good business with us in the past. Commissioner Robert Griner made the motion to approve the construction of the recreation shelter from Roger Brown with a cost of no more than \$3,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Doc Sumner. The motion carried unanimously.

Steve Sumner –

- Commissioner Steve Sumner stated he is on several boards and he is doing a letter of resignation on those boards. He feels that it will be best to resign now that way he is here to help with the transition of a new person on that board. One of those boards is the FEMA Board and he feels Jimmy Parker would be a good fit for that board. Commissioner Parker stated he would agree to serve. Commissioner Steve Sumner made a motion to appoint Jimmy Parker to the FEMA Board, seconded by Doc Sumner. The motion was unanimous. The other board is the Deep South Solid Waste Board. This board is important because they meet quarterly and if you do not attend those meetings the County does not get their royalty payment from the solid waste authority. We get the royalty because we are part owners of the landfill. He would like to see Doc Sumner appointed to that board. Commissioner Doc Sumner agreed he would serve. Commissioner Steve Sumner made a motion to appoint Doc Sumner to the Deep South Solid Waste Board, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.
- Commissioner Steve Sumner stated he has heard that the hospital is going to put the EPIC software in at the Berrien Campus. With this doing this, we feel that we were successful in keeping the hospital for a little a while. This software is a \$750,000.00 investment.

John Nugent –

- Shaboggy Boat Ramp – Dennis Adams stated that he and Ben Warren met with Paul from DOT who feels that there is probably only a 25 foot right-of-way. The boat ramp is probably on private property. County Attorney Jennifer Herzog stated that if it is on private property, we cannot go on private property with the gratuity clause. She has concerns with this. The property owner does not have a problem with the boat ramp on his property according to Commissioner Robert Griner. Ben Warren stated is will cost the county about \$2,000.00 in concrete and whatever the labor cost is to move the slabs and dirt. Commissioner Doc Sumner thanked Dennis Adams, Code Enforcement, for the time and effort in checking into this.
- Fire Trucks – Commissioner John Nugent stated is appears that will cannot move trucks from one station to another if it is a converted pumper. Bob Mikell came before the board and stated what he found out on the current equipment listing of the fire departments and that was that the trucks do not qualify as a pumper in the transfer. Commissioner Steve Sumner stated he would like to see it in writing. Bob Mikell said he has it right here in the Fire Safety Training Manual. After discussion on the what the fire safety standards reads, you can ask for an exception. The Board gave Bob Mikell the directive to ask for an exception. Chairman John Nugent stated that Alapaha will move one of their pumpers to the Wycliff Roberts station but they will still need to get approval through their governing body.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Brian Shaw – the Smithsonian rolled in today! The opening ceremony will be Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

Brenda Ferrell –

- King Bridges asked Administration to address the board about purchasing a scoreboard for football. There has been talk of one being donated but it has not come through. King Bridges provided two quotes:

Varsity Scoreboard	\$3,171.55
ElectroMech Scoreboard	\$5,034.00

Both quotes will have an installation fee of approximately \$1,000.00. Commissioner Robert Griner made a motion to approve the quote from Varsity Scoreboard in the amount of \$3,171.55 plus \$1,000.00 to install, seconded by Commissioner Steve Sumner. The motion carried unanimously.

- Administration received a request from East Berrien Fire Department to purchase three (3) SCBAs from Ten-8 in the amount of \$8,550.00. Commissioner Steve Sumner made the motion to approve the purchase of three SCBAs for \$8,550.00, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.
- There is no resolution to the A/C issue at the Alapaha EMS office.
- LMIG Striping Funds – Scruggs came back with a verbal quote of approximately \$150,000.00 to complete the striping as we submitted it. Shon Hampton with Watkins & Associates would like to know if we would like to prioritize the roads or cut some off of the list to stay within the budgeted figures. After review of the roads, the board reduced Wycliff Roberts by 6 miles.
- Administration advised the board of a vehicle accident with code and then one with the Sheriff Department. County Administrator, Brenda Ferrell, advised the board that we have liability only on the Code Enforcement vehicle and would not be turning it in to insurance for repair. There is over 250,000 miles on that vehicle. The board was in agreement. Commissioner Steve Sumner suggested getting bids for a regular cab 4x4 vehicle, no frills, for Code Enforcement. We have that budgeted as a capital item.

ADJOURN

With no other business to come before the Board, Commissioner Jimmy Parker made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Commissioner Robert Griner. Meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Chairman, John Nugent

Vice Chairman, Steve Sumner

Commissioner, Jimmy Parker

Commissioner, Robert Griner

Commissioner, Doc Sumner

ATTEST _____
County Clerk