

**September 18, 2018  
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JASPER, FLORIDA**

**REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Robert Brown, Randy Ogburn, Beth Burnam, Josh Smith and William Mitchell, a full Board being present. Also present was County Coordinator Louie Goodin and County Attorney Cliff Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Madam Chairman Burnam and led in prayer by Commissioner Smith with the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Madam Chairman Burnam.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the Consent Agenda, County Attorney Cliff Adams explained item #9 (Deed Acceptance). Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**HAMILTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – STATUS REPORT**

Hamilton County Economic Development Director Susan Ramsey gave the Board a status report on the current economic development projects.

**SHIP / CDBG PROGRAM – STATUS REPORT**

Ship Administrator Spencer Nabors provided the Board with an update on the current CDBG and Ship grant programs. Mr. Nabors stated that DEO will be performing a site visit on October 9<sup>th</sup> and that he is willing to provide the administrative portion at no cost to the county. The Board agreed to allow Mr. Nabors to be present for the site visit and also requested County Coordinator Louie Goodin be present. Mr. Nabors also informed the Board that the three (3) year Ship Report is complete and everything is clear for the upcoming grant cycle.

**THE WRIGHT CONNECTION MENTORING PROGRAM INC.**

Commissioner Smith questioned the Board as to whether they would be interested in assisting with the program and with feeding the children that attend. Ms. Wright was present and explained the program.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to contribute \$500 with receipts being provided by the program. Second was made by Commissioner Ogburn, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING – SD 18-01 FOURAKER SUBDIVISION – APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT FOR A MINOR SUBDIVISION – RHODEN /LEWIS**

Madam Chairman Burnam recessed the regular Board meeting and called the public hearing (SD 18-01) to order at 6:15 p.m.

Land Use Administrator Megan Carter explained the action before the Board as an application requesting approval of a Final Plat for a minor subdivision (Fouraker Subdivision).

There being no questions from the Board or public, Madam Chairman Burnam closed the public hearing and called the regular Board meeting back to order at 6:18 p.m.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve SD 18-01 Fouraker Subdivision. Second was made by Commissioner Mitchell, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**ROAD PAVING PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT**

Greg Bailey, with NFPS, gave the Board a status report on the current road projects.

**CR-137** – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the CR-137 construction project is complete and the contractor is now working on the punch list.

**OAK STREET** – Mr. Bailey stated that the contract for the project should be received by the end of the week.

**SW 55<sup>TH</sup> DRIVE** – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the contracts for the paving project have been signed and executed.

**NW 104<sup>TH</sup> AVE., CHANBRIDGE DRIVE, NW 35<sup>TH</sup> DRIVE** – Mr. Bailey presented the Board with contracts for the above roads for approval by the Board.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to accept and approve the contracts for NW 104<sup>th</sup> Ave., Chanbridge Drive and NW 35<sup>th</sup> Drive as recommended by Engineer Greg Bailey. Second was made by Commissioner Mitchell, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**SE 141<sup>st</sup> Blvd.** – Mr. Bailey stated that he is waiting on the bond documentation from the contractor.

**THERMOPLASTIC STRIPPING** – Mr. Bailey provided the Board with a price estimate for Thermoplastic road stripping verses regular paint stripping based on a five (5) mile road. For Thermoplastic six (6) inch solid line - \$3,500 per mile with six (6) inch skip line \$2,300 per mile with the total for all necessary lines being approximately \$10,000 per mile. Paint stripping would be approximately \$2,000 to \$2,100 per mile for all necessary

stripping.

**CEI SERVICES (SW 55<sup>TH</sup> DRIVE)** – County Coordinator Louie Goodin discussed the negotiations with Eisman & Russo with the Board. Mr. Goodin stated that the negotiated fee for the CEI Services for SW 55<sup>th</sup> Drive is \$88,704.90.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the contract with Eisman & Russo for CEI Services for SW55th Drive as presented by staff with the fee of \$88,704.90 (7% of contract). Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **COURTHOUSE RENOVATIONS / SECURITY**

County Engineer Greg Bailey, with NFPS, stated that project has been let for bids with the due date of October 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **DISCUSSION OF FUEL METERING SYSTEM AT ROAD DEPARTMENT**

County Coordinator Louie Goodin discussed with the Board the new financial reporting being required by the State of Florida for the fuel usage of the county. Mr. Goodin advised the Board that the estimated cost of a new metering system would be \$10,000 to \$12,000. Mr. Goodin stated that the metering system is being used by surrounding counties and is on the Federal Contract list. Mr. Goodin also stated that the Board will need two (2) dispensing pumps due to the age of the current pumps and the estimated cost to replace them would be \$9,000 to \$10,000 per pump. Mr. Goodin also stated that if the Board chooses not to utilize a new metering system that approximately \$14,000 annually in fuel rebates would be lost. The discussed the possibility of “piggy backing” on Madison or Suwannee county’s RFP if necessary and directed Mr. Goodin to set up a demo with the company in order to satisfy the concerns of the Board.

### **FIRE SERVICE CONTRACT RENEWAL – WHITE SPRINGS AND JENNINGS – DISCUSSION**

Fire Coordinator Henry Land was present to answer any questions from the Board or public. County Coordinator Louie Goodin discussed with the Board the conversations with the Town of White Springs and Town of Jennings regarding the Fire Contracts. Mr. Land briefly reviewed the language of the contracts. County Attorney Cliff Adams explained the compensation for each municipality as \$7,500 per quarter if the required certified firefighters (at least 1) respond; in addition, if there is not a proper response then the amount per quarter will be prorated. Commissioner Smith stated that being a Volunteer Firefighter is no longer volunteer work and that he would like to see the Board consider additional incentives for the Firefighters.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve and execute the Fire Contracts with the Town of White Springs and the Town of Jennings. Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board agreed for Mr. Adams, Commissioner Ogburn and Madam Chairman Burnam to deliver the contracts to the respective municipalities.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF STORM WATER AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT**

County Attorney Cliff Adams presented the Board with a storm water and maintenance easement deed for acceptance by the Board.

- Motion by Commissioner Mitchell to accept the deed as presented and recommended by County Attorney Cliff Adams. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **APPROVE BILLS**

- Motion by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the bills (vouchers 132073 – 132412 and checks 058207 – 058299). Second was made by Commissioner Ogburn, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- County Coordinator Louie Goodin discussed the spill notice from FDEP regarding the acid spill at Nutrien. Commissioner Ogburn, EMS Director Toby Witt and Emergency Management Director Henry Land toured the spill area.
- Mr. Goodin also advised the Board that a meeting regarding the Valdosta / Lowndes sewer spill will be held in Madison to discuss future solutions to the issue.
- Mr. Goodin discussed with the Board the need to make a repair to the manhole cover near the Annex. Mr. Goodin stated that he has contacted the City of Jasper due to the need to address the problem immediately. The Board agreed to allow staff to have the manhole repairs as soon as possible.
- Commissioner Mitchell advised the Board that the work being done by Maintenance at the Doctor's Clinic Building is almost complete. Commissioner Mitchell also stated that the floater position approved by the Board will begin work on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Commissioner Smith stated that Gibson Park needs the sides of the boat ramp mowed. Mr. Goodin stated that he would discuss the issue with Recreation Director Chuck Burnett. Commissioner Smith also stated that 66<sup>th</sup> Drive needs one of the radial arm mowers.

- Commissioner Smith also discussed with the Board the need to mill a short portion of SW 31<sup>st</sup> due to the difficulty of maintaining the road and the grader having to turn around of private property.
- County Attorney Cliff Adams discussed with the Board the Opioid Litigation and suggested that the Board consider a Multi District Litigation. Mr. Adams also discussed the Sexual Offender Ordinance Amendment due to the current Ordinance having loopholes. Mr. Adams presented the Board with a draft Ordinance and stated that the Sheriff's Office has approved. The Board approved the publication for the Ordinance Amendment.

There being no further business before the Board, Madam Chairman Burnam adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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BETH BURNAM, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

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