

SEPTEMBER 20, 2022  
JASPER, FLORIDA

**REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Randy Ogburn, Jimmy Murphy, Robert Brown and Richie McCoy. Chairman Smith was absent for the meeting. Also present were County Coordinator Louie Goodin and County Attorney Cliff Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Richie McCoy and led in prayer by Commissioner Ogburn with the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Chairman Smith.

**2022-23 HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONTRACT – TOM MOFFSES**

Tom Moffses, the executive director of the Health Department, advised the Board that the contract for the 2023 fiscal year is the same as previous years. Mr. Moffses provided a brief update as to the services being provided by the Health Department.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve the Health Department contract for the 2022 – 2023 fiscal year. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**FIRE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH TOWN OF JENNINGS**

There was no one from the Town of Jennings present for the meeting; however, staff advised that the Fire Agreements are being negotiated with each municipality.

**SHIP / CDBG PROGRAM / CDBG-CV – STATUS REPORT**

Ship Administrator Spencer Nabors provided an update regarding the current Ship, CDBG and CDBG-CV projects. Mr. Nabors stated that he is still waiting on DEO regarding the release of the final list for the CDBG-CV grant. Mr. Nabors also advised that the site visit letters should be released in the coming days for the 2022 CDBG Grant.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT AND REQUESTS**

County Attorney Cliff Adams presented the Board with a deed from the Development Authority for the old Holiday Inn property with a reverter clause stating that when the Jobs Growth Grant infrastructure is complete that the county will deed the property back to the Development Authority.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to accept the deed from the Development Authority as recommended by County Attorney Cliff Adams. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board also reviewed the Scope of Work for the Jobs Growth Grant.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to execute and process the Scope of Work for the Jobs Growth Grant. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **REQUEST FROM NUTRIEN TO APPROVE PERMANENT RELOCATION OF 8 MILE STILL ROAD – RACHEL GARLAND, MANAGER, GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY AFFAIRS**

Rachel Garland, with Nutrien, provided the Board with documentation for the final approval of the permanent relocation of the 8 Mile Still Road.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve the final and permanent relocation of the 8 Mile Still Road as requested by Nutrien. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board also questioned Ms. Garland as to the deed for the Project Bark property. Ms. Garland advised that Nutrien's staff is working on the situation.

### **ROAD PAVING PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT**

Greg Bailey, with North Florida Professional Services, provided the Board with a status report on the current road projects.

**LAKE BAISDEN LOOP / SW 107<sup>th</sup> AVE.** – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that according to FDOT, there will not be additional funding available for the Lake Baisden Loop paving project. Mr. Bailey stated that his staff will send the reduction in limits to FDOT for approval and the Board will need to officially execute the contract with the contractor for the reduction in the scope of work to include the box culvert at a revised cost of \$516,039.42. The Board questioned Mr. Bailey as to the road closure for the project to which Mr. Bailey advised that the road would be closed four (4) to six (6) weeks for construction.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the reduction in the scope of work, execute the contract with Curt's Construction and to include the construction of the box culvert for the Lake Baisden Loop paving project. Second was made by Commissioner Ogburn, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Bailey also advised the Board to be seeking the next roads to be submitted for SCRAP and SCOP funding through FDOT which will be due in January.

## **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INSURANCE BROKER – REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – AWARD**

Clerk of Court Greg Godwin advised the Board that only one (1) proposal was received for the Insurance Broker request, the firm was Acentria. After review of the proposal, the Board took the following action:

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to award the bid proposal for the Employee Benefits Insurance Broker to Acentria. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve the consent agenda with the removal of item (c) Locklear invoice with the determination to be made by staff as to whether the invoice should be a part of their contract or separate. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

## **APPROVE BILLS**

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the bills (vouchers 156213 – 156434 and checks 068981-069064). Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

## **CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- County Coordinator Louie Goodin discussed with the Board the need for direction as to the X-ray machine. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to allow staff to discuss the machine with both providers prior to making a final decision.
- County Attorney Cliff Adams stated that the Board needs to address the County Attorney's position since completing the interview process. The Board agreed to address the position at the Board meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Commissioner Murphy questioned staff as to the demolition of the old Holiday Inn property. Mr. Goodin advised that Mr. Mathis has determined that asbestos is present due to the asbestos survey and is currently waiting on a price for the mitigation of such. Mr. Goodin also advised that the impervious surface survey is also being done with the written agreement for the purchase of the additional property being drafted.
- Commissioner Ogburn stated that the Board needs to be working with lobbyist on the legislative agenda.

