Minutes Taylor County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting November 7, 2024

The Taylor County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:00 p. m. on Thursday, November 7, 2024, in the County Commissioners Meeting Room of the Taylor County Government Complex at 7 Ivy St., Butler, GA. Present were Chairman Milton Harris, Commissioner Robert Peacock, Commissioner Cicero Latimore, County Manager Amanda Queen, and County Attorney Eddie Davis.

Chairman Milton Harris, presiding, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Commissioner Cicero Latimore gave the invocation. Commissioner Peacock led the Pledge to the United States Flag and Commissioner Latimore led the pledge to the Georgia Flag.

The agenda was approved as distributed without changes, on motion of Commissioner Latimore, seconded by Commissioner Peacock and carried with all in favor.

The Minutes of the October 1, 2024, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed on motion by Commissioner Peacock, seconded by Commissioner Latimore, and carried by voice vote with all voting in favor and none opposed.

The Minutes of the October 10, 2024, Special Called Meeting were approved as distributed on motion by Commissioner Peacock, seconded by Commissioner Latimore, and carried by voice vote with all voting in favor and none opposed.

Citizens scheduled to appear:

1. Chansie Hudson – Work Based Learning – Ms. Hudson appeared before the Board to share the Eckerd Connects work program, sharing the information about the program.

Reports:

<u>Planning and Zoning</u> –While there was nothing to report, Joe Carroll introduced the new Director of Planning and Zoning to the Board and to the public; Mr. Akeenon Bridges will be our new Director.

Abb Preston, Taylor County EMS – Mr. Preston reported that during the month of October there were 150 calls with 100 transports. 357 gallons of gasoline and 1,168 gallons of diesel fuel was used during October. After doing a bit of research, Mr. Preston doesn't think we will be able to get a lot of money for the old ambulance and brought before the Board the option of gasoline or diesel. Commissioner Latimore made a motion to go with the diesel ambulance, seconded by Commissioner Peacock, and carried with a voice vote of all in favor.

<u>Jamason Byrd, Taylor County Fire Department</u> – Mr. Byrd reported that the fire department responded to 9 calls for the month of October. The fuel cost for the month was \$612.35. Mr. Byrd stated that pump testing on all equipment will be on the 23rd and 24th. No Report was provided this month.

Garrett Bosely, Project Manager – Mr. Bosely reported that bidding will start on the crush & run and packing in project on County Line Church Rd, bids are to be in by November 22nd. The Annex has received an Energy Efficiency Grant, to updated lighting. Mr. Bosely presented a purchase list for the Road and Bridges Department the costs are offset by the recent auction. Please see attached. The purchase list was approved on motion by Commissioner Latimore, seconded by Commissioner Peacock, carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.

<u>River Valley Regional Commission</u> – No Report

Unfinished business:

None

New business:

<u>Phone Contract with Public Service</u> – Ms. Queen stated that the Public Service contract will include new desk phones. And will be 1500 a month with the new phones, Commissioner Peacock made a motion to approve the 60 month contract, seconded by Commissioner Latimore, carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.

Approve New Contract with GMASS – Ms. Queen stated that this is the Tax Assessors software, every 3 years there is a state mandated appraisals, the contract was \$140,000 and has gone up to \$171,000 for the 3 year contract. Commissioner Peacock made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Commissioner Latimore, carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.

A motion was made to adjourn into Executive session at 6:45pm by Commissioner Latimore, seconded by Commissioner Peacock, carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.

No further information provided on entering into open session or closing the meeting.

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