

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
WORK SESSION
Monday, September 26, 2016

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Clay Griner
Commissioner Wisenbaker
Commissioner Scott Orenstein

Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Evans were not in attendance.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session of September 12, 2016, and the regular session of September 13, 2016. No changes to the minutes were requested.

APPOINTMENT

Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, County Manager, Joe Pritchard, presented the appointment. Mr. Pritchard stated Dr. Wilhelmenia Howell, has expressed a desire to fill the vacancy.

FOR CONSIDERATION

2016 LEOP Update and Resolution for Emergency Management, EMA Director, Ashley Tye, presented the plan for adoption. Mr. Tye stated every county in Georgia is required by Georgia Emergency Management to update and adopt a resolution signed by local governments to adopt an updated local emergency operations plan. Mr. Tye explained that the plan outlines how local stakeholders and public safety agencies will respond to emergencies in Lowndes County. Mr. Tye further stated there are no significant changes to the plan other than the addition of a disease exposure plan and a continuation of government plan. Commissioner Orenstein asked if local stakeholders had an opportunity to weigh in on the plan, to which Mr. Tye replied yes.

USGS Funding Agreement for Hwy 122 Stream Gauge, EMA Director, Ashley Tye, presented the agreement in the amount of \$14,250.00. Mr. Tye stated the stream gauge was installed in 2009 to monitor river levels at a bridge on Highway 122, in an effort to collect better data for notifications during high water events. Mr. Tye further stated the agreement before the Commission is for any maintenance or repairs needed over the next year.

Blue Lake Lift Station Pump, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item in the amount of \$34,959.00, to include a five-year warranty. Mr. Stalvey stated the pump is out of service and the purchase of a new pump is recommended over the repair costs of \$25,474.09, and a one-year warranty.

Moody Housing Lift Station Pump, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey presented the item in amount of \$12,136.00, to include a five-year warranty. Mr. Stalvey stated the pump is out of service and can be repaired for \$11,935.00; however, staff recommends the purchase of a new pump as presented. Vice Chairman Griner asked how long a pump should last, to which Mr. Stalvey replied fifteen years. County Manager, Joe Pritchard, stated that due to the sole source nature of all three pumps being presented, they had not been bid.

Pine Grove Middle School Lift Station Pump, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item in the amount of \$13,054.00. Mr. Stalvey stated the pump can be repaired for \$11,198.00; however, staff recommends the purchase of a new pump. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked if there is any trade in value on the old pump, to which Mr. Stalvey replied no. Commissioner Orenstein asked how old the pump is, to which Mr. Stalvey replied eight or nine years. Chairman Slaughter asked if there was any redundancy built in to the system. Mr. Stalvey stated the pumps rotate each cycle.

Service Contract with Motorola for PSRS, 911 Director, Danny Weeks, presented the contract in the amount of \$224,756.16, for the annual maintenance of the public safety radio system. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked if this contract would wrap up Motorola renewals for the year, to which Mr. Weeks replied yes.

Adopt Resolution accepting infrastructure for Knights Landing Subdivision, County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the resolution. Mr. Fletcher stated a final punch list has been given to the contractor, and that the plat will not be signed until the work is complete.

Contract with Georgia Department of Transportation for Interchange Lighting Exit 2, County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the contract. Mr. Fletcher stated the county will be required to perform maintenance and pay the monthly power bill, which is estimated at \$2,200.00 per month. Mr. Fletcher stated work on the interchange is not scheduled to begin until February 2019.

Contract with Georgia Department of Transportation for Interchange Lighting Exit 11, County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the contract. Mr. Fletcher stated the agreement for Exit 11, mirrors the agreement for Exit 2, to include approximately \$2,200.00, in monthly power fees to be paid by the County.

BID

Bid for Oil Products for Public Works, Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the item with Langdale Fuel Company, in the amount of \$29,036.80. Ms. Black stated the contract before the Commission is for one year with an option for four additional one year terms.

REPORTS – no additional information was reported.

Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Vice Chairman Griner second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the meeting at 8:46 a.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairman

K. Paige Dukes, County Clerk

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, September 27, 2016

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Clay Griner
Commissioner Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Demarcus Marshall

Commissioner Evans was not in attendance.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioner Orenstein gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session of September 12, 2016, and the regular session of September 13, 2016. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Vice Chairman Griner second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT

Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, County Manager, Joe Pritchard, presented the appointment. Mr. Pritchard stated Dr. Wilhelmenia Howell, has expressed a desire to serve. Commissioner Orenstein nominated Dr. Howell. There being no other nominations, Dr. Howell was appointed by acclamation. Commissioner Orenstein stated Dr. Howell's application was one of the best he had reviewed. Chairman Slaughter stated he agreed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

2016 LEOP Update and Resolution for Emergency Management, Chairman Slaughter presented the item, stating EMA Director, Ashley Tye, had reviewed the plan during the work session. Vice Chairman Griner made a motion to adopt the resolution and approve the updated plan as presented, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

USGS Funding Agreement for Hwy 122 Stream Gauge, Chairman Slaughter, presented the agreement in the amount of \$14,250.00. Chairman Slaughter stated EMA Director, Ashley Tye, reviewed the agreement during the work session. Vice Chairman

Griner made a motion to approve the agreement, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Chairman Slaughter asked Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, to present all three pumps at the same time.

Blue Lake Lift Station Pump, presented in the amount of \$34,959.00.

Moody Housing Lift Station Pump, presented in the amount of \$12,136.00.

Pine Grove Middle School Lift Station Pump, in the amount of \$13,054.00.

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the pumps to include the cost of a new pump for each location. Mr. Stalvey stated that in each instance, staff recommends a new pump due to the cost of repair. Commissioner Marshall asked Mr. Stalvey to provide some of the standards that allow for the sole source purchase. Mr. Stalvey stated the County uses Flygt pumps, which are only available from Xylem, Inc. Vice Chairman Griner made a motion to purchase three new pumps as presented, Commissioners Wisenbaker and Marshall second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Service Contract with Motorola for PSRS, 911 Director, Danny Weeks, presented the contract in the amount of \$224,756.16, to provide for maintenance for the public safety radio system. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, Commissioners Griner and Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Adopt Resolution accepting infrastructure for Knights Landing Subdivision, County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the resolution. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to adopt the resolution and accept the infrastructure, Vice Chairman Griner second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Contract with Georgia Department of Transportation for Interchange Lighting Exit 2, in the amount of an estimated \$2,200.00, per month.

Contract with Georgia Department of Transportation for Interchange Lighting Exit 11, in the amount of an estimated \$2,200.00, per month.

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented both agreements. Commissioner Marshall asked if LED lights would be used, to which Mr. Fletcher stated the contract did not indicate. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve both contracts as presented, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

BID

Bid for Oil Products for Public Works, Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the item, with Langdale Fuel Company presenting the low bid, in the amount of

\$29,036.80. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the bid as presented, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

REPORTS – no additional information was reported. Chairman Slaughter expedited the agenda due to an engagement that involved several of the Commissioners.

CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD

Delores Matchett, 3657 Howell Lane, addressed the Commission regarding the paving of her road.

Vice Chairman Griner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Orenstein second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the regular meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Bill Slaughter, Chairman

K. Paige Dukes, County Clerk