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Present: Chairman Ladon Calhoun, Vice Chairman Jeff Cox, Commissioner Edwards, Commissioner Bowen Others Present: Faye Whittaker, Douglas Cofty, Andy Moore,, Austin Lambert, Whitney Butler, Sheriff Clenney, Dana Glass, Daniel Floren.

6:00 P.M. – Welcome & Call to Order. Prayer and pledge of allegiance

Housekeeping

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Calhoun stated all right, we need to approve the agenda but we need to add the resolutions. Mr. Cofty stated yes there's two resolutions Livvy and I have been putting together all the resolutions that she had. We had one already in place after the fact. We come back with the resolution 01 and 02 and then also the software package she wants to talk to you all about tonight. Chairman Calhoun stated all right so I need a motion to add those to the agenda. Commissioner Edwards made motion, Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Calhoun stated all right need to approve the minutes if everybody's had time to look at them Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Bowen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Financial Reports

Chairman Calhoun stated all right financial reports everything looks to be in order. I need a motion to approve. Commissioner Bowen made motion, Commissioner Edwards seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Appearances

Chairman Calhoun stated all right, Ms. Dana would you like to go ahead. Dana Glass stated thank you for having us tonight I'm Dana Glass, I'm the executive director for Aspire Behavioral Health and

Developmental Disability Services and I have our chief operations officer Daniel Floren with me tonight. We appreciate your time, some of you may be aware that a few weeks ago we were notified by Miller County Hospital Authority that we could no longer operate out of the office that we've been using there since 2019. We have a house that's behind kind of I say behind the hospital that we've operated out of, you know that poses quite an operational challenge for us, you know we are pretty embedded in the community. We served over 200 people in the last fiscal year 220 to be exact and provided 5,594 services, so we are critical function in your community we also have provided a continuum of care in the community so we've provided crisis stabilization temporary observation, addictive disease supports, high intensity supports for individuals with serious and persistent mental illness case management, nursing services, medication services, it's a whole gamut. I put together kind of a summary sheet for you all to be able to just look at and a quick glance. I'll just hand you the stack and let you let you look at that. So you know we have communicated with the hospital our relocation process is not simple, it's extremely complex and it's complex from the state network perspective so we have multiple accrediting bodies and these accreditation site visits licensures have to it's sequential and interrelated so like you can't go to the next step till the first one does it so on average it takes 6 to 12 months and that's not us trying to slow down the process that's just when you're accredited by about five different organizations it just takes time to get your building approved and your service location approved and so what we don't want to do based on our impact is we don't want to have service interruptions so we did request, I sent an official request to the to the CEO, the CFO and the director of supply chain to reconsider the hard date that they gave us which is June 23rd. If we stick with that date we will most certainly have some service interruption in the community we will figure out a plan to do what we can, but just trying to come and seek your support and guidance because you guys would be a vital partnership for us, you supported us financially, you know annually but also you've provided space for us in the past so we thought maybe you might have a vacant place that we could come in and you know get redone and ready to and have it and operate. So respectfully requesting your consideration.

Chairman Calhoun stated so I know, I don't know if everybody's aware but I'm aware and I know me and Doug have talked and so if you all want to get together, we can we do have some I'm sure, they would need some work. Ms. Glass stated so that's okay. That's why this guy's here this is my guy, he gets all of our spaces ready and he's familiar with like all of our code and all of the ADA standards everything that it takes for us, you know, we are really embedded in the community and have had really good partnerships especially with the school system and we think we're on the cusp of really being able to provide a lot of additional services so it'd be a great time to expand our space, the house was great we appreciated that partnership and that availability but we would love to have space that would allow us to run some groups, provide maybe some peer support those types of things that would you know further improve the recovery. Well first of all let me say that beggars can't be choosers so you know it does have to be ADA compliant we have a psych, we have a nurse practitioner, a psychiatric nurse practitioner that works down here, a LPN, a clerk and several licensed clinicians that rotate in and out as well as our community support team which works with high high-risk high need individuals with serious and persistent mental illness in and out of hospitals, homeless, jail that kind of

thing, A lot of their work is community based but they do need a landing space. I know the building that we're in now is approximately a thousand square feet. how many offices give or take I think there's it's an it's basically a three-bedroom house with the dining room space we converted into like a multi-purpose and then we have like the kitchen area kind of operates as our intake area for our clerk to do the administrative pieces. Mr. Florian stated that's pretty tight quarters for what we're trying to do there right. So, anything of that size larger of course be appreciated but you know. Chairman Calhoun stated when do you all want to get together and us look and talk Mr. Florian stated I had planned to be out here Wednesday anyway, I don't know if there's any time that you all might be available, you know I generally start my day out in Early County but I can start here or wherever I'm at your disposal. Mr. Cofty stated you let me know, you got me email, just email me a time and we'll make sure that. Ms. Glass stated Okay that'd be great, we appreciate it thank you so much.

Old Business

HB581 Informational website

Chairman Calhoun stated the HB581 informational website. Mr. Cofty stated yeah so the website is up and running, I need to start advertising. I have been advertising the FLOST kind of banners on the website, I mean on the Facebook but it is ready to go. I'm going to get with Corey about adding it. I still have not heard back from Gerald about the June date, I don't think that's going to happen so I think we're going to have to shoot for a November election because the June one would have been on the special election and there's a law against putting questions on that. They were trying to get it done away in the legislation this year but it didn't pass apparently because Mr. Gerald hadn't got back to me so we're looking at November. We're going to start pushing out the website pretty heavy with QR codes and all that so everybody will be able to see anybody's got questions you can just tell them. Commissioner Bowen stated were there going to be any public forums to get together to just ask questions or just going to be on. Mr. Cofty stated well we probably need to talk about that and come up with some type of an educational I mean it's already passed so there's no we can't get out of it so we do need to kind of maybe have that and then kind of steer them towards the website because everything that we would meet about is actually what we would answer is on the website but I mean we can you all just need to let me know what days are good for you all and then we can I can get with the city and then we can do that again. Commissioner Bowen stated I know a lot of the folks out around us was wanting to come and sit at a meeting in hear to explain know some of the older people aren't really tech savvy. Mr. Cofty stated we can also have it pull here and have it pulled up on the TV there and then kind of go over that. Chairman Calhoun stated can you get us up some dates maybe. Mr. Cofty stated I'll get with Cory and we'll do that.

Jernigan Road Closure

Chairman Calhoun stated all right the Jernigan Road, Mr. Cofty stated so I did the research on it and I put it in your packet basically the steps that we would need to go ahead and send all the land owners a

notice of intent to close and then like you see like number two we would need to put signs on the section that we were going to close towards was it three notch and then coming off that dirt road and then we do have to run an ad at least a public meeting for two weeks in the newspaper have the public meeting you know if nobody shows up you. at the regular commissioners meeting we would go ahead and vote to do that. Commissioner Edwards stated and this is a county road. Mr. Cofty stated yes ma'am, Andy you want to tell her about that road, Ms. Christine wasn't here. Mr. Moore stated it's basically a little road that just a little cut around road but it went through, right through somebody's homestead basically when I started, there was three kind of three houses there and it went down to two but it basically just went through their yard and they want to close the section coming in there where people don't go right through their yard. Mr. Cofty stated and you had been maintaining that section right. Mr. Moore stated no we've never done it since I did we went through there one time with the motor grader and they come to county commissioners and they said, "Leave it." Chairman Calhoun stated there's only two people that live on the road. Mr. Moore stated yeah they somebody but I don't I don't think they want to close the part where no that one house is. Chairman Calhoun stated there's only two people live on the entire dirt road and it's probably is it two miles long Keith. Commissioner Bowen stated maybe probably not maybe. Chairman Calhoun stated and so they're going it looks like about a mile of it they're going to cut out in between the houses so they would be able to access it from this side then they would cut off in the middle of it does that make sense. Commissioner Edwards stated and so how they going to. Chairman Calhoun stated so one comes from three notch and one comes from Newberry Chambers. Mr. Moore stated Grady Cobb. Commissioner Edwards stated and they just going to cut out the middle part. Chairman Calhoun stated so they come from this way. Commissioner Edwards stated you know who I am about them. Mr. Cofty stated they are leaving the other sides open, would be so the farmers that don't own the land would be able to get to their land. Commissioner Edwards stated okay.

Chairman Calhoun stated but other than that I don't think not many, what's the other guy's name Maurice, what's his name the another guy that lives another house willie. Commissioner Edwards stated and they all want it. Chairman Calhoun stated I think so. Commissioner Bowen stated I think yeah closing out what, half a mile maybe probably in a quarter mile, so little tiny of course it's going to make two dead end roads is the only thing come this way and dead end coming another way but then they can get to the fields but then you know it dead ends in their yard basically, I farmed right there at it and our guys went to didn't pay attention said don't never go that way now because you don't want to go and they went that way and it's closed then there's. Chairman Calhoun stated you can't get equipment down it. Vice Chairman Calhoun stated so both homeowners are aware. Chairman Calhoun stated I hadn't talked to Willie. Commissioner Edwards stated but there's no heavy traffic that goes through. Mr. Cofty stated I think he said the mailman was the only one and some kids on the on the side by side comes through. Commissioner Bowen stated that road's the boundary between me and Ladon that Jernigan. Chairman Calhoun stated I've been down it twice in my life. Mr. Cofty stated so if you all want to, we need to try to do it before the next commissioner's meeting that way we can go ahead and we got just probably a short time we got a month so I can go ahead and run the ad get the signs put up and then have it maybe two weeks and then we can advertise for the week before the

commissioner's meeting and we can do all that then Mr. Moore stated what kind of sign do we need. Mr. Cofty stated it just basically telling the public this road is potentially to be closed. Mr. Moore stated you know it's just something we kind of print up and put up okay we'll take care of it. Mr. Cofty stated it need to be like weatherproof. Mr. Moore stated just let me know we will take care of that. Mr. Cofty stated so if you all want to do that I mean you don't need to vote. We can go ahead and do the steps and then get to the public meeting. Chairman Calhoun stated all right. Mr. Cofty stated and I'll send that out to you all. Chairman Calhoun stated all right let's move on to the new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Sheriff's Office in car computers

Chairman Calhoun stated you have something sheriff. Sheriff Clenney stated yes I sent Doug over also we were awarded a technology grant as a reimbursement grant from the Georgia Chiefs Association for \$26,639 for in car computer systems. I reached out to Eagle Advantage who already handles our software at the Sheriffs Office, they also you know do in car systems as well and got a quote up for them for what I would need for patrol and then pretty much what this would do would make the deputies essentially 100% mobile. We're still the only county around that has to come back to the sheriff's office to do an incident report or to take a warrant or anything really other than just picking up civil papers and going back out doing these in car systems and we could eventually be able to tie it in with Whitney and them at 911 with the CAD system as well and it just makes it where they do not have to come to the office if they're down you know the Seminole County line and you know need to do an answer report real quick just save them having to drive all the way back here do it and then you know if something else comes out on the south end of the county they got to drive all the way back out there it would just make it to where they'd be you know I guess you know be able to handle it on scene. But the total amount so there's a software fee and then the actual technical the equipment part is all together \$55,0974 and the way that the grant works we would essentially have to pay that all up front and then there's a 3 to 7 day period to where then GCA will reimburse us the \$26,000 we'll on the hook for you know a little under half of it but I think we'll also be able to do e ticketing as well you know not that it's a main priority of ours but I think we'll be able to recoup that money fairly quickly as far as the rate that we're going now with issuing citations as well.

Chairman Calhoun stated any questions. Vice Chairman Cox stated what would be the next step for tying to Whitney at 911, I mean what would that consist of. Sheriff Clenney stated getting a hold of resilient right now but that's in question. Ms. Butler stated whoever if we change we I can go I can let them know what you got and see make sure it can tie in if that's what you. Sheriff Clenney stated Eagle said that whoever it is that our 911 system uses their IT folks just have to get with their IT folks and she said that they'll be able to merge she said this Eagle handles just about half of the sheriff's office in the state and there's you know plenty of other 911 systems that they're able to intermingle with they said it won't be no issue and naturally there'll be an additional we already pay them for our

software at the sheriff's office I think the annual support for seven of them would be an additional \$3,000 on top of what we already pay them yearly just for the office software and the jail software. Chairman Calhoun stated that'd be yearly. Sheriff Clenney stated yes is an additional I think right now we're just under \$10,000 for the front half and the jail portion and then this would be adding you know the additional 3,000. Chairman Calhoun stated any other questions, Do we need a motion to. Ms. Whittaker stated well yeah, we need to in the motion say where we're what we're going to do, they don't have enough built-up in SPLOST so we'll just have to pay the whole 50 whatever it is out of general fund put the half back in when we get it and then when we sell these surplus. Mr. Cofty stated the next thing is we're surplus the vehicles and that's going to bring enough to and then put that back in to cover it. Chairman Calhoun stated to cover it and then he'll write some tickets. Mr. Cofty stated I can tell you that Judge Suggs has told me that when we did away the state court that they've already what almost tripled all the previous state. Chairman Calhoun stated he told me and I can't remember. Mr. Cofty stated it's probably the best move we've ever done. Sheriff Clenney stated and by no means we don't go out you know like traffic Nazis, that's if folks running 85 and above it's not petty stuff I don't want you all thinking that we write crack windshield too. Mr. Cofty jokingly stated isn't it against the law. Sheriff Clenney stated it is against the law but some of our vehicles got cracked windshields. Chairman Calhoun stated so I need a motion to adopt that and pay for it out of general fund the difference reimbursement and then reimburse. Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Edwards seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Surplus Vehicles

Chairman Calhoun stated next is the surplus. Mr. Cofty stated so this the surplus list, I got with the sheriff and then the three vehicles that we've got under the board of commissioners that is the old Explorer that's from 2001, the Blazer that we had at the courthouse, I talked to Livvy and they're not using that vehicle so I mean there's no sense in us keeping it and then the Edge that the EMS used to have it's just parked over here so then the sheriff got with all these and fills that and he can go in surplus now that he's got the other explorers. Sheriff Clenney stated we just need to take the you know striping off it won't be immediate we got take the time my detail take the inmates out here take the logos off. Chairman Calhoun stated so you just need a motion to surplus these vehicles on this list. Commissioner Bowen made the motion, Commissioner Edwards seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mobile Command Surplus Bid

Chairman Calhoun stated all right we going do the bids for the command trailer. Mr. Cofty stated you can go ahead and do that and I'll talk about the P25 after that. So there was two bids one coming on the second one coming on the fourth. Chairman Calhoun stated this is for the mobile command unit Ms. Christine, you didn't want it did you. Mr. Cofty stated I got it on it. Chairman Calhoun stated you want me to read them as I get them, this is from Berrian County EMA 911 their bid is \$5,010.00, check

and make sure I read it right, I got my glasses, did I read it right. Vice Chairman Cox stated yes sir. Chairman Calhoun stated all right this is Jim Henry he bid 2501.00, no sense I read that right are you sure I got it right, so one's twice as much as the other you want to go with the higher one correct. Commissioner Edwards stated go for the higher one. Chairman Calhoun stated don't you. Ms. Whittaker stated they're paying us Ms. Cristene. Commissioner Edwards stated oh I was saying. Chairman Calhoun stated yeah they paying us yeah. So I just need a motion to accept the bid which whichever bid y'all make a motion to accept. Commissioner Edwards made the motion to accept higher bid. Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

P25 Financing

Chairman Calhoun stated you want to do the P25 system. Mr. Cofty stated yeah you can go ahead and do that, so you know we've been going on with this for about I don't know what two years now, it was appropriations run from Congressman Bishop that they put through USDA. I've got all the paperwork from the regional commission showing that they worked with the USDA. Where they've got all paperwork signed now it's up to us to go out and seek temporary funding because it's also a reimbursement grant for 1.2 million. So I would need the authority to go and just talk to the banks and see which one give us the best rate which like I said I don't know how long. when that money is ready and they said they're ready to buy American build American letter certification cleared. So we're at the last stage now of that I'm supposed to meet this week with Baker County in reference to another issue with 911 but they're also in in the grant so they're going to also seek the funding. They get I think got the same amount we did so that's all it is, it's just I included everything that where you can read the letters from the USDA and the regional commission because we're not the recipient of the money but we're the recipient of the grant that goes from the regional commission, who in turn awarded us Baker County and Colquitt County the money so we just have to put the money up front and then we just have to pay it back and then we'll get our reimbursement.

Chairman Calhoun stated so we just need a motion to go and seek finance financing. Mr. Cofty stated yes. Chairman Calhoun stated all right so I need a motion to seek financing for the P25 system until it can be reimbursed. Mr. Cofty stated yes now what I will do is I'll still come back to you and say okay Chairman Calhoun stated but it's kind of one of when we pay it they. Ms. Whittaker stated you're going to have interest. Chairman Calhoun stated it depends on how much I mean like it's pretty quick though Ms. Whittaker stated on 1.2 million I mean you know if they're you know I don't know how quick it'll be but you'll have some interest I mean I can stay. Chairman Calhoun stated on a month or something like that. Mr. Cofty stated that's the only that's the holdup that I've been getting they don't know how quickly it can be and that's the only thing so I just want to go ahead and seek the funding. Chairman Calhoun stated but we can make it pretty quick though couldn't we well you probably could but like I say we're not I mean as soon as he gets the money right. Mr. Cofty stated well I'm not going to go ahead and get the money I want to be able to talk to the banks to be able to best rates and then come back to you all. Ms. Whittaker stated once we pay it we don't know how long before they reimburse us it's all

I'll say. Mr. Cofty stated yes and I can't get that out. Ms. Whittaker stated so I was just going to let you all know there would be interest. Chairman Calhoun stated very minimal though I mean. Mr. Cofty stated I could stay on the commission I can stay on the regional commission for that. Chairman Calhoun stated all right so I need a motion to seek financing for the P25 system. Vice Chairman Cox made motion. Commissioner Bowen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Tax Commissioner Resolutions

Chairman Calhoun stated next is tax commissioner. Livvy Suggs stated our property vendor is going out of business in June so we have to change vendors. It was originally signed by the commissioners to go with VCS, I'm asking that we go with Assurance instead because the surrounding counties most of the surrounding counties that's the software they're going with if I ever had an issue I'd want to go you know somewhere close by to view that, I've been through both demos for VCS and Assurance to me assurance is more user friendly. It integrates a lot more, if we go with the option to be able to integrate the credit card processing it'll be knocked down from a \$15,000 cost to a \$12,000 cost, now there's some monthly maintenance with that I mean the person you go with now is going to have a high maintenance but it's \$1,000 a month. Chairman Calhoun stated so you need a motion to go with the Assurance, all right so I need a motion to enter into a contract with assurance. Commissioner Edwards made motion, Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Cofty stated then the next thing that you've got the two were on the add-ons but Livvy was telling me that she has to have a resolution to wave penalties and fees and I'll let her come talk about that. Ms. Suggs stated okay I'll just give an example I pulled one from our current vendor for property and this is from 2015 and 2016, okay 2015, I'll just give you the base amount for ad valorem tax is \$809.09 they've already paid \$985, the interest what with their balance due is \$882 the interest for that is \$630 I want to have the ability to either cut some of the interest or do away we need to get this off the books they still got 2016 due but we have to pay 2015 first now the reason why we're not paying current on this property under this particular name is because it's been transferred into somebody else's name but I want to be able to make those kind of decisions and also we've been kind of doing that to begin with because we have different mortgage companies and places like that that are sending their payments in and it depends on what the date is postmarked so if it comes in after the due date obviously there might be a penalty but we need to be able to waive that penalty considering the postmark so that's what we've been doing to begin with. So I need a motion to be able to waive penalties and fees or our interest. Chairman Calhoun stated that's what these resolutions are saying Mr. Cofty stated yes if I don't read all of them well one of them so one is what Livvy's talking about to go ahead and give her the authority to wave the. Chairman Calhoun stated is that the first one. Mr. Cofty stated the second one it basically they're all the same kind of word but one of them is if some of the errors on our end like if we caused the error she needs to have the authority to go ahead and wave that as well. Commissioner Edwards stated I agree if it's on our end to waive the penalties but to start waving penalties because. Chairman Calhoun stated she's going to be the final it's not you waving it's

just giving her the authority to read she's going to be the final authority of if she thinks that they does that make sense, like if the. Commissioner Edwards stated but if they're not if they don't go pay on time why. Chairman Calhoun stated she's talking about like if a bank, if they if it got lost in the mail and it didn't get there on time is that. Ms. Suggs stated that's part of it, yeah, part of it. Commissioner Edwards stated but not waving a penalty because it wasn't paid on time on their part. Ms. Suggs stated no not all together I will say this okay like I was saying the base amount for this ad valorem tax was 809.09 they have paid \$985 and they are continually paying on this but the interest for the balance due to the balance due is \$882, \$630 of that is interest. Commissioner Edwards stated okay and it and it's there because they didn't pay it on time originally. Ms. Suggs stated it's still staying there and you got 2016 that's accruing interest too. Vice Chairman Cox stated do you have the figures on 2016. Ms. Suggs stated 2016 the interest on that is \$499 and the balance due is 1486. Commissioner Bowen stated I'm sort of with Ms. Christine on that if it's the taxpayers' fault I understand about the postmark I completely 100% agree but if it's I mean sometimes mail takes over we get my house to Colquitt, I mean it's pathetic but if it's if it's on them that they didn't do it I don't. Ms. Suggs stated and I don't know. Commissioner Edwards stated and then this is just going to cause a tidal wave. Commissioner Bowen stated yeah that that's what I'm getting if you. Commissioner Edwards stated this is going to cause a I mean everybody I mean somebody can walk up and said, "Well I didn't have it to pay on Friday and here's Monday and I got to pay interest I don't want to pay it then let's wave it." I mean that's just going to open up a can of worms we don't want you know what I'm saying yes is if it's on our part okay yeah. Chairman Calhoun stated you want to give us a little time to. Ms. Suggs stated sure and read over this too I mean I'm not saying that it's on the tax assessor part but there are errors and things with some of the assessments and all that too that have caused a ripple effect. So I have to take that consideration to. Commissioner Edwards stated an error is fine. Commissioner Bowen stated yeah an error is a fine. Commissioner Edwards stated but just to way it because they didn't pay it on time and you're going to wave it wave their interest it's that's just going to open up a can of worms, I don't want to be a part of personally.

Chairman Calhoun stated well let us, we'll do a little research we'll read over this and if we have any more questions we'll be glad to ask it, all right. Commissioner Bowen stated the second one for me about the if it's on our end I'm 100% fine with saying if it's our fault that we made a mistake and over I'm hunky dory with that right there you know but I think the first one needs some more thought about it, you know. Mr. Cofty stated that will be resolution dot two. Chairman Calhoun stated that's the second one, so you want to go ahead and do the first one then Commissioner Bowen stated I say the first one is the one that we where we're going to if I'm understanding correct me that we're going to waive fee penalties and interest. I'm saying not on that I'm saying on the second one where if it's our fault I'm saying let's do that. Commissioner Edwards stated absolutely. Mr. Cofty stated so dot zero was that one then we got dot one basically is giving the tax commissioner the authority to approve or disapprove claims for a refund so if somebody come in and asked for a refund that would give her the authority to look it over and if she found that there was no reason for a refund she didn't have to have to give them a refund so that's that that's dot one so there's three different resolutions. Chairman Calhoun stated we'll look over them and we'll. Mr. Cofty stated I think that most of the counties have

these resolutions we just with the new tax commissioner in place we just had to set them. Chairman Calhoun stated so we'll let you know something very soon how quick you need to know something pretty quick. Ms. Suggs stated on this no. I mean this is since 2015. Chairman Calhoun stated okay all right.

Midnight Rider Contract Letter

Chairman Calhoun stated next the letter to Midnight Rider Consulting. Mr. Cofty stated so you know this was this was Mr. Mullis's company where he was our consultant, I guess you'd call him a consultant on economic development. He has sent this his contracts coming up for auto renewal July the 1st and the city and we've kind talked on this that we're just not going to, we don't feel we need to renew his contract now so we just wanted to go ahead and send him a letter in advance stating that we're not going to renew it. The city was basically going to send, we would send both letters in a certified that way he would know so you just need to make a motion to let you or let sign the letter you need a motion to sign the letter need a motion to sign the letter. Commissioner Edwards made motion. Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor motion carried.

Departments

Chairman Calhoun stated next fueling center report. Mr. Cofty stated it's in your packet, it's down from a little what it normally is but I mean we haven't had any issues. I think the road department should start getting ramped up on cutting grass and all so that's going to pretty much increase it but other than that we don't have any issues with it. Chairman Calhoun stated department of reports. Mr. Cofty stated Whitney did you want to have you had anything you want to talk all right, did you want to kind of tell them what, we told them about the issue of resilience and easy 911. Ms. Suggs stated that's fine and then I've got several demos this week for different cad software like you asked me to get and we'll go from there. Mr. Cofty stated I do have, Debbie's not here tonight but I do have some information on that mobile command me and Jeff kind of met with the city manager today before we had that other meeting we got told that they wasn't going to pay anything on that command center but they would work out, you know like moving our fiber which we've got to move our fiber when Subway's coming that pole's got to go down so we're going to have to move our fiber to another pole but they said they would help out doing work that way that they just didn't have the SPLOST money. They had committed to I think what was it Jeff two grants and two fire trucks. Vice Chairman Cox stated yes Sir Mr. Cofty stated then the police department didn't have any SPLOST money, but they said they would work it out and trade with the county for certain services like internet services and stuff like that's what they said they would work out with us if we went and did that. The total come in at like 48,000 that's what the we had changed that so if you if you all did want to proceed on the mobile command I would need an authorization to send the guy a letter and 25,000 down payment to move forward.

Chairman Calhoun stated all right I need a motion. Commissioner Edwards stated that money is coming from where. Ms. Whittaker stated we're taking out the different emergency services SPLOST for the county. Chairman Calhoun stated that's what we was talking about i thought you knew I thought you knew you wanted. Chairman Calhoun stated well so it's coming from where that's what we were thinking well so she remembers more than I do but. Ms. Whittaker stated well we that's when we thought we were going to have more. Chairman Calhoun stated so the police department was supposed to give some. Ms. Whittaker stated well we just thought, yeah we thought we're going to be dividing it more ways because like the sheriff's department, Whitney they don't have a lot of SPLOST. Mr. Cofty stated but we do have a lot built up in EMS. Ms. Whittaker stated it may not be equally out of right everyone so but yes SPLOST is where we want to take it out of but we may have to just do it percentages. Commissioner Edwards stated so it's going to be between EMS, sheriff department, EMA and 911. Chairman Calhoun stated the city said that they were going to chip in but they have told us today that they are not. Ms. Whittaker so we will figure out a way to get it paid out as. Chairman Calhoun stated all right so we need a we need a motion to pay out pay it out of SPLOST and send the check for the what you call mobile command center. Mr. Cofty stated yes for the letter. Commissioner Edwards stated and then you guys are going to go pay they're going to pay it back by percentages. How are you going to come up with those percentages. Mr. Cofty stated she'll look at their SPLOST numbers they got in there because like I say like I told y'all I mean we're sitting on EMS is constantly building yes whenever Survival Flight needs an ambulance we agreed to pay half and they agreed to pay half I mean it's just constantly building so there's enough in there that that department that but that SPLOST can take most of the hit anyway and then take a little bit like the sheriff he don't want to give nothing of but you know. Chairman Calhoun stated he wants to do the right thing. Mr. Cofty stated I mean you know they we can figure out their percentages and then just whatever EMS was left over. Commissioner Edwards stated okay. Mr. Cofty stated are you going to put one in car computers in that thing too. Sheriff Clenney stated I just need my patrol to have. Chairman Calhoun called for motion. Commissioner Edwards made motion,

Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Sheriff Clenney stated me and my patrol captain went up to the state headquarters for the sheriff's office has now been through receive military surplus there's you know parameters on them we can't use their tanks or nothing but our goal is to get patrol rifles majority of what we use is our personal as far as duty weapons. We can get that generators and stuff, but it would relieve us as far as having to come with some money to try to purchase assault weapons or assault rifles for the patrol deputies, some of the equipment after 365 days it rolls off to the agency and then we'll be able to surplus it. There's a lot of sheriff's offices that use it as far as enough money to buy you know other equipment such as vest and different things like that. Mr. Cofty stated you mentioned generators do you know what size i mean we got a bunch of buildings. Chairman Calhoun stated probably 20KW a very bigger. Sheriff Clenney stated it's a deal for the sheriff's office so like courthouse for example we have an office there we'll be able to justify. Chairman Calhoun stated any other questions. Mr. Cofty stated Andy you got anything. Commissioner Bowen stated while we're on the road department I'd like to mention one thing I want to tell you that I really appreciate all the changes been made the little text that sent out each morning, let us know

what's going on everything that's really been a big help I'm I'm green at this and I don't really know how everything's going on but I understand that's a new deal there and I really appreciate that but there's one thing I'd like to ask you as the road superintendent you and Shelly to get together and do, is to get together with you and her and the employees and let's figure out a plan that we can get together on about getting our roads dirt roads in Miller County reclaim them getting back in good shape, as you know those well you hear like I do folks about and legitimate complaints that needs to go on but I'd like for you all to get plan together with a definitive timeline and benchmarks about when we're going to get the roads the limb cutters the ditches mowed get the ditches pulled and get the roads crowned and let's get an objective to be working towards because you know if you don't have a goal you are not going to never get nowhere, so I'm going to challenge you all to get together and have a plan and if you need to talk to other counties or to or to the Golden Triangle or whatever and just work within our budget constraints and let's try to figure out how we can make this county better for our citizens and our taxpayers, because I know you hear it like I do and I want us to instead of focusing on the problem let's find a solution to it and if you can get it together by next commissioner meeting and we'll we can sit here and discuss it and see what we can come up with I appreciate if you do that Andy, I really and I want you to know that I'm not fussing at you but I won't I appreciate all the changes and we're going in a good direction they just keep it going that's what I'm talking about. Mr. Moore state I appreciate it. Commissioner Bowen stated yes sir. Chairman Calhoun stated anything else anything,

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NONE

Chairman Calhoun stated if there is nothing else, I need a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Eswards seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

SIGNATURES

Cristene Edwards, Commissioner – District 1

Jeff Cox, Vice Chairman – District 2

Keith Bowen, Commissioner – District 3

Niki Nixon, Commissioner – District 4

Ladon Calhoun, Chairman – District 5

Douglas Cofty, County Manager