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REGULAR SESSION MEETING

06/05/2023, 6:00 P.M., County Government Complex

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Worsley, Vice Chairman Ladon Calhoun, Commissioner Edwards, Commissioner Nixon, Commissioner Cox Others Present: Faye Whittaker, Douglas Cofty, Sheriff Jimmy Holt

Chairman Worsley calls the meeting to order. Regular session 06/05/2023. A word of prayer and Pledge of Allegiance followed.

HOUSEKEEPING:

Chairman Worsley stated first thing we need to do is approve the agenda, do we have a motion to approve. Commissioner Edwards made motion with Commissioner Nixon seconding. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Worsley stated approval of minutes. Do you all want to do them both at the same time, regular scheduled and the special called meeting. Does anyone see anything wrong with them?. If not, we need a motion to approve. Commissioner Edwards made the motion, Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIALS

Chairman Worsley stated approval of finance financial reports. Everyone, have a chance to look them over. Any questions? Chairman Worsley called for motion. Commissioner Nixon made the motion. Commissioner Edwards seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

Fueling Center Report

Chairman Worsley stated old business Fueling Center report pages 25 to 26. How's everything going, Doug? Mr. Cofty stated alright, so basically I'm going to tell you all is since the hospitals came onboard we've increased our purchase amount. We are at a 1 ½ semi loads month now I still haven't reached out with the school, you know, because

we're still trying to do the deal with that land and let them get that land going, but I do have intentions of reaching out to them. So, that's probably going to be about 2 semis a month. So, it's actually paying for itself and start to build up a reserve. Chairman Worsley asked any questions?

Senior Center Building Lease

Chairman Worsley alright. Senior center release. Pages 27 through 35. Mr. Cofty stated so, what this is, last month, I gave you a copy of that and as you look it over and see if there's any changes that you wanted to make. If you don't, if you don't want to change, we just need to go ahead and prove it and I'll give it to him and get going. Chairman Worsley stated alright, everything looks okay on the lease to you all. Okay, so we need to go ahead and make a motion to the approve, correct. Mr. Cofty stated yes, sir. Chairman Worsley stated alright, we need a motion to approve the lease. Commissioner Edwards made motion, Seconded by Commissioner Nixon. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Surplus bids for vehicles

Chairman Worsley stated new business, surplus bids. We have them right here. Mr. Cofty stated that one right there is for something that's not on the surplus so we may want to just you just can look at it and just you may have to get it added. Sheriff, that's going to be for that 4 wheeler or something. That was never put on there but in any way, he put it in a bid. Chairman Worsley asked so there really is no point even acting on it. You all want to look at it. Mr. Cofty stated we can put it on there next time. The rest of them I think are legit. Chairman Worsley stated this one is from Watson Used Cars. He's got a bid on everything that was listed in the paper here. His total bid is \$5, 000. Next is Mike Auto Sales. He's got his broken down. So, Ms. Faye do you got something calculated with. Alright, for a 2008 Dodge Ram you got \$505. 2011 Ford Crown Victoria, \$505. 2012 Chevrolet Silverado, \$505. 2007 Chevrolet Impala \$404. 1999 Chevrolet Tahoe \$404. 1986 Bluebird Bus, \$202. 1998 International Bus, \$202. 1986 Bluebird Bus, \$202. He has got a Chevrolet Army truck just penciled in. I don't remember it being on the surplus, was it? Mr. Cofty stated I don't remember because we were trying to get the bin board. Chairman Worsley stated yeah, it's not on this list, Mr. Cofty stated we can add that on the next around. Chairman Worsley stated alright then at the road department 2007 Chevrolet Silverado. He's turning a bid of \$505. 2003 Chevrolet Silverado he turned in a bid of \$404. So, what does that give us a grand total of this thing? Ms. Whittaker stated \$3838. Chairman Worsley stated ok so that's a grand total of \$3800. The next one is Tracy Kimball. 2012 Chevrolet Silverado bid. I would like to place a bid of \$200 on the 2012 Chevrolet Silverado. So, he got a \$200- bid on that truck. This one here, I don't know whose name it is on this sort of interesting signature but it says, I bid \$40 for the dirt bike in the auction. Mr. Cofty stated the dirt bike wasn't even listed yet. I don't know where they get that from now. Sheriff Holt stated that dirt bike and 4 wheeler was probably just something that's found years ago probably not even registered to the county anyway probably. I mean all that stuff was there. When I come I don't know what.

I am trying to get rid of the junk and clean it up. Chairman Worsley stated the same person turned in a bid for \$40 on ATV in auction. So, we don't have that. So that is the bids that we got. So, we've got one for 3800. We got one for \$5000. Then, you got some for a couple hundred dollars. Tracy Kimbrel for 200, Mikes Auto Sales 3800 and Watson, \$5, 000 bill. What do you all think about it? Sell them all to one bidder. Alright, we need a motion to sell Watson's used car for \$5, 000. Vice Chairman Calhoun made motion. Commissioner Nixon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Metal Roof Bid due June 7th

Chairman Worsley stated alright, next on the agenda is metal roof bids. Mr. Cofty stated I just want to tell you all about that so with moving the meeting up, we ran an ad in the paper for the 7th of June to do that metal bid. So, that's not going to be able to be at this meeting. What I'm going to do is let them turn into bids to Mr. Jerry. So, I'll let him go through the bids and then he'll let me know and I'll just let you know if you all want to do it over text or whatever we do that. Chairman Worsley stated Okay.

Library Budget Letter

Chairman Worsley stated alright, next on the agenda is Library budget letter. They send us a letter about every year wanting to up their money to get. So, we usually just wait until budget time and then we take care of this.

Hwy 91 North Project

Chairman Worsley stated next is the 91 Project start date. Mr. Cofty stated so this is where they're going to do the work out 91 North. The contractor and I've got the Email in the packet. The contractor called me and wanted to let me know that they're going to start July the 11th to start their work and I think he said it was going to be 120 days that 91 would be closed. Chairman Worsley asked what routes are they going to take? Mr. Cofty stated I believe it's on the map here. Commissioner Edwards stated I believe they are going to go down Grant City Road. Mr. Cofty stated yeah and then they said it would be 200 down to 45 and bring it in. Which I don't believe they're going to follow that route. I haven't heard anything else on the bridge on Bellview bridge yet. If you kind of want to try to keep them off Bellview, we need to give it to the sheriff and kind of work that if that's what you all want. Chairman Worsley stated well, I hate to turn them semis loose on that road, that's a lot of money on that road. Do you think we can. Sheriff Holt stated I sort of heard today that they said they were going to restrict trucks off of some of those roads. You know, the DOT was. So, it I mean, we'll do what we can do but I'm I would assume the motor carry compliance division will be the one that was actually, if they, if they, if the DOT says they cannot use this road that they would be the ones that were more or less being working on it. I mean, we, I mean, we we'll do what we can do too, you know. Whatever route they say, you know, but it was a rumor today. I was at the courthouse and somebody was lived next door to the DOT person and he said that they were telling him that they were going to restrict they wouldn't go let semis go on like Cooktown Road either. So, I don't know. Chairman Worsley stated that road's very touchy, it can't take it. Vice Chairman Calhoun stated so you think the DOT will be

patrolling those roads? Sheriff Holt stated well, if the DOT, if their detour you know they would help, you know, with us. You know, yes. Mr. Cofty stated I can call this guy back here, I mean, he's just a contractor and I can find out if they've discussed it with the DOT. Chairman Worsley stated in my personal opinion, you know, I just hate to see that be Bellview road tore up. Ok that was for our information.

John Deere Tractor Financing

Chairman Worsley stated next on the agenda is financing of John Deere Tractor. Pages 45-47. So, this is the tractor they did under government contract and then John Deere will not finance the government contract. So, I reached out. I sent an RFP to three different banks that we normally do business with. I heard back from two and you got People South that said they'll do it seven-year annually for 5.50%. For the first year and then, they can refinance it the next and then First State Bank said they would do 5.50% annually. And you know, this is the one where we're going to where we applied for the grant and once the grant comes in, we'll pay the 50,000 take the other money out of TSPLOST. So, we probably will not need more than a year. Chairman Worsley stated okay. What do you all want to do? You all want to do, we have got People South bank and we got First State. I trade with both of them so I'm not going to make a recommendation on this one. Vice Chairman Calhoun stated I trade with both of them too, it doesn't matter to me. It doesn't matter to me whichever one you all want to use. Commissioner Edwards stated I trade with people so. Chairman Worsley stated Peoples. Commissioner Edwards stated I trade with people. Commissioner Nixon stated I mean. Vice Chairman Calhoun asked who do you all like dealing with. Mr. Cofty stated we do business with both of them. Vice Chairman Calhoun stated you all are no help. Mr. Cofty stated Peoples gave us the last one, actually, the last sheriff's trucks. Commissioner Edwards stated so, Peoples it is. Chairman Worsley stated okay, do we have a motion in that form for People's Bank to do financing on the tractor? Commissioner Edwards made the motion. Commissioner Nixon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

GSI Equipment Agreement

Chairman Worsley stated it has departments down here. Mr. Cofty stated you have one more Mr. Allen, it's just this GSI contract. Chairman Worsley stated Ok yep. Mr. Cofty stated we sign every year. So, that's all. Chairman Worsley stated yes, I missed it. I checked just wrong. Sorry about that. Yeah, GSI Equipment Agreement. We do it every year, that's for Jennifer Jackson up there for the computers and all that stuff like that for something we do every year. So, we need a motion. Commissioner Edwards made the motion, Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTS

Avenue Dump Site

Chairman okay. Now, departments. Avenue dump site. Commissioner Cox stated Doug and I and Andy we met on the site and looked at it and little Mark Merritt wasn't able to make it but he's in agreement with us, you know, taking on some more footage across the whole circumference to make whatever work for the roll offs. Chairman Worsley stated yeah, it was tied out there before. Commissioner Cox stated yeah so, he's good. you know, with our plan. Chairman Worsley stated I just want Andy and them to take extra, you know, caution out there with that graveyard right beside it that we make sure we protect it. Commissioner Cox stated we weren't going to. Mr. Cofty stated we left that original fence so we didn't take any that side. We just, the map is in there, I think the amounts in there. I think it was like. Chairman Worsley stated I know a lot of trash got scattered out there. Commissioner Cox stated we were going to leave that side alone, right Doug? Mr. Cofty stated yes and we were just going to extend it back. Commissioner Cox stated right. Mr. Cofty stated it was a 104. We were going to extend it to 150 feet. and then the one that if you look at your map, the ones that are in the white numbers, that's the original and we were going to go 150 by 150, 150 by 150, 150 by 150, 150 by 150. that would give you enough room to get that roll-off truck in there and then put you a pretty good bit amount of roll offs. Chairman Worsley stated yeah, we need to have a motion on that to proceed forward and for me to sign the agreement with Mark. Commissioner Cox made the motion. Commissioner Edwards seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Worsley stated Mr. Sheriff do you have anything. Sheriff Holt stated no sir. Mr. Cofty stated the only the only thing that I just. Ladon mentioned to me earlier this morning about House Bill 121. I don't know if you've heard about it but it's about ATVs riding on the roads as long as they buy a tag. I'm actually looking into it with ACCG so I won't have anything for you today but I did hear back from them and they said that it can be done. They'll have to get, they'll still get charged personal property tax and then a tag. If they're not paying for personal property and they get tag and then we'll know it because. Chairman Worsley stated will they have to have insurance on it. Vice Chairman Calhoun stated yes and it can only be on county roads and not on state roads. They can't ride it on the four lanes. Mr. Cofty stated just soon as I got that information I'll get it to you. Chairman Worsley stated another thing I want to say thank you all for the flowers for mamas funeral, messages and prayer, thank you all. Commissioner Nixon stated absolutely. Chairman Worsley stated well I guess that's it we need a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Nixon made a motion, Vice Chairman Calhoun seconded. All in favor. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned.

SIGNATURE PAGE:

Cristene Edwards, Commissioner – District 1

Jeff Cox, Commissioner – District 2

Allen Worsley, Chairman – District 3

Niki Nixon, Commissioner – District 4

Ladon Calhoun, Vice Chairman – District 5

Douglas Cofty, County Manager