

MINUTES
WORK SESSION OF THE
COLQUITT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, November 1, 2022
5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Denver Braswell. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss upcoming agenda items and any other county business deemed necessary. The meeting was duly called and advertised.

PRESENT: Those present were Commissioners Barbara Jelks, Chris Hunnicutt, Marc DeMott, Mike Boyd, Paul Nagy, and Chairman Denver Braswell. Also present were County Attorney Lester M. Castellow, County Administrator Chas Cannon, and County Clerk Melissa Lawson.

ABSENT: Commissioner Johnny Hardin.

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Compliance Officer Justin H. Cox, Maintenance Superintendent Mac Lawson, Finance Director David Zeanah, and Kevin Hall, Reporter with the Moultrie Observer.

COLQUITT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER UPDATE: Mr. Cannon explained that, due to a scheduling conflict, Mr. Jim Matney would not be able to attend the meeting but planned to address the Board at a later date.

BUDGET REVIEW: Mr. Cannon briefly reviewed all major county financial funds, citing no issues or concerns.

Mr. Cannon also reviewed a list of financial indicators, inclusive of sales tax and various revenue comparisons, as well as SPLOST and T-SPLOST collections.

SOLID WASTE TRUCK: Mr. Cannon explained that a new truck received in September 2021 possessed a brake issue that had never been properly fixed by the company it was purchased from, despite several attempts to do so. Mr. Cannon explained that he was currently waiting on a response from the company on how to resolve the issue.

BOARD PREVIEW: County Administrator Chas Cannon presented an overview of upcoming agenda items to be previewed before the regular meeting of the board at 7:00 p.m.

- Approval of Payment of Invoice – Southwest Georgia Regional Commission – Mr. Cannon presented an invoice, in the amount of \$7,828.42, submitted by the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission regarding the fourth quarter dues assessment for the agency.
- Public Hearings – Mr. Cannon called upon Justin H. Cox, Chief Compliance Officer, to present the following zoning requests:
 - Variance Request – Reduction of setbacks in order to construct a dry Stackhouse at an existing poultry operation located at 895 Perry Batts Road;

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- Variance Request – Request to correct property lines at existing subdivision located on Riggins Road;

Discussion briefly ensued regarding the request presented.

ITEMS OF INTEREST: At this time, Mr. Cannon presented pertinent items to be brought to the Board's attention:

- Annual Bids: Final Review
- Appointments to EDA and Humane Society Boards with advertisement underway;
- Sole Source Bid for Sewer Grinder at County Jail presented and discussed;

APPROVAL OF SOLE SOURCE BID – SEWER PIT GRINDER – COUNTY JAIL: Commissioner Nagy made the motion to approve the sole source bid, in the amount of \$23,739.42, submitted by JWC Environmental regarding the replacement of a sewer system grinder at the County Jail. Commissioner DeMott made a second. The motion carried unanimously.

- Local Banking Account Discussion: Proposals presented and discussion centered around key points to include highest rate of return, safety, elements of liquidity, and keeping money local in Colquitt County;

APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT AND T-SPLOST CHECKING ACCOUNT: Commissioner Boyd made the motion to establish a money market account at The First with a cap of 3.50% as well as a T-SPLOST checking account at Moultrie Bank & Trust with an interest rate of 2.150%. Commissioner Nagy made a second. The motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the language within the zoning ordinance regarding 150 ft. of road frontage was thoroughly discussed with Chairman Braswell suggesting that the language be specific and not left to individual interpretation.

Discussion thoroughly ensued regarding the subject.

KEY DATES: Mr. Cannon presented a list of key, upcoming dates to the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Denver Braswell
Chairman



Melissa Lawson
County Clerk

Approved: December 6, 2022