REGULAR SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012 (6:00 P.M.)

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, May 14, 2012, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room of the Administrative Building. Member of the commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Robert Setters and Commissioners Buck Rigdon, Donnie Hester, Melissa Chevers, Sherry Miley and Mike Jones.

Chairman Thompson asked Commissioner Jones to give the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

Minutes: Motion approving the minutes of April3, 2012 Workshop Session; April 9, 2012 Regular Session was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Pat McKinnon, 4128 Martin Avenue addressed the Board to extend an invitation to an event. This event will be held on May 17th at Brodie Field and is called “Paint the Town Purple.” This is for awareness of Lupus. She is asking for everyone to come out and wear purple to show your support and awareness of this disease. She also mentioned that tee shirts can be purchased at Name Droppers and the time of the event is 7:30 PM.

Mrs. Darrell Moore was in the audience to report that the County Road Equipment had hit a pivot stop on Moore Road, off of Ferry Lake Road. The County Manager took the information and will be in contact with them for the repairs once we establish that it was a County Road Department piece of machinery that did the damage.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Approve purchase of a new truck for Animal Control: Bids were received from three vendors and it is staff’s recommendation to accept the bid from Griffin Ford for 2012 Ford F-250, 2 wheel drive truck. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Setters to purchase to 2012 Ford F250 truck for Animal Control from Griffin Ford in the amount of $21,773, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Surplus truck at Animal Control: Animal Control staff is requesting the Board surplus the 1999 Chevrolet truck they currently have in this department. Staff has also advised the Board that Ocilla is interested in purchasing this truck from Tift County for their use in Animal Control. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Setters to surplus the 1999 Chevrolet truck and for staff to negotiate a price for the vehicle from Ocilla, second by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Surplus of four (4) vehicles parked at the Road Department: There are four vehicles parked at the Road Department that staff request the Board to surplus and allow staff to place them on GovDeal.com for sale which is the standard practice of Tift County. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to surplus the four (4) designated vehicles, seconded by Commissioner Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

D. GEMA Communication Planning Grant: The Board was advised that this is a 100% Grant for a study to see the feasibility of interoperable communication system. There would be no local match required for this grant and the Chairman needs to be authorized to sign the Grant application. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester authorizing the Chairman sign the grant application, seconded by Commissioner Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Authorize Chairman to sign Right-of-Way Certification: The County has been notified by the Georgia Department of Transportation of their intent to do bridge repairs on Ferry Lake Road at the
New River Overflow. In order for the County to enter into this contract with the Department of Transportation, the Chairman needs to be authorized to sign the Certification of Right-of-Way. Motion was made by Commissioner Miley authorizing the Chairman to sign the Certification of Right-of-Way, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Lease Agreement with USDA – FSA for Office Space: The Chairman needs to be authorized to endorse the Lease Agreement with USDA for the office space currently occupied by FSA located at 1468 Carpenter Road. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester authorizing the Chairman to endorse the Lease Agreement with USDA for FSA office space, seconded by Commissioner Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

**County Manager Items:** None

**Commissioners Items:**

Commissioner Chevers reminded everyone of the “Pump up the Volume” event to be held at the Recreation Department on May 19, 2012 and asked everyone to come get their health screenings.

**Executive Session:** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7  Vice Chairman Robert Setters, District 3

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Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1  Commissioner Melissa Chevers, District 2

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Commissioner Sherry Miley, Dist. 4  Commissioner F. W. (Buck) Rigdon, District 5

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Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6  Attest: ___________________________

Glynda Hemby, County Clerk  5/14/2012