The scheduled Workshop Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Tuesday, August 5, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room of the Administrative Building. Members of the Commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Sherry Miley and Commissioners Robert Setters, Mike Jones, Donnie Hester, Buck Rigdon and Melissa Hughes.

Public Comments: None

Appointments: None

Public Hearings: None

Items to be discussed for Regular Session, August 11, 2014

A. Video/Security Software Maintenance: Al Stephenson advised the Board that the County utilizes video surveillance and automatic door locking technology. The software running these systems require periodic updating to insure optimal performance. The fire alarm panel at the Administration building requires 24 hour monitoring and maintenance. A software maintenance plan is needed to insure they are performing optimal levels and to insure software bugs are patched as they become available. Staff recommends the County enter into a software maintenance and fire alarm monitoring and hardware maintenance agreement with Coopercraft in the amount of $18,835.

B. New Emergency Operations Center Final Construction price approval: The County Manager advised that we just received the pricing today and they are preliminary figures. Staff recommends tabling this issue for 30 days so we will have solid figures to bring to the Board for consideration.

C. Road Repair to the Cove at Willow Creek: Jason Jordan reported that this subdivision was developed in 2007 and the county accepted the roads in 2008. This was before the County adopted roadway design standards. The road has settled where utility and storm drain lines are located along with bad base in certain areas. Measure that the County can do now will prevent further damages and extra cost. County will saw cut and dig out bad base and settled areas and replace and compact with good base and one this has been completed the Scruggs Company has agreed to repave the road while they are working on Jordan Road project at the same unit price for asphalt which is $72.50 per ton. The estimated cost for this project is $65,000 and can be funded through SPLOST IV.

D. Select contractor for new exterior of Old Shop Building: Jason Jordan told the Board that the Old Shop Building at the Public Works Facility will be used for the new sign shop and the siding needs to be replaced on the building. Staff recommends approval to take off the old roof and siding and replace with insulation and a new roof as well as siding. Quotes have been solicited from three vendors with only two responses. Bids are: Excelsior Buildings in the amount of $32,754 and Jones Construction in the amount of $46,000. Staff recommends the low bid.

E. Adopt Tax Levy Resolution of 2014: The County Manager advised that the School Board will have completed their process of setting the School Millage Rate by the County’s Regular Meeting date. The Tax Levy Resolution will need to be adopted by the Commission Board that includes all property tax millage rates.

F. Safety Discount Verification Form: the County Clerk advised that annually ACCG offers incentive discounts on Worker’s Comp Premiums. The Safety Committee has determined that the County meets all the required criteria to be eligible for the 7.5% discount and the Chairman needs to be authorized to sign the Discount Verification Form.

G. Alcohol License for Lashandra Engram for Taste Grill & More located on South Central: This application has been properly processed; however, Commissioner Hester has received notification from the applicant that she wished to withdraw her application for alcohol license. A motion to remove this item will need to be made at the Regular Meeting.

H. Purchase of Equipment for Walker Aviation: The County Manager and the County Attorney discussed this item with the Board in connect with the County recently taking over the operations of the Airport. Walker Aviation owned several pieces of equipment that a vital to the Airport operations. The County Attorney has prepared a Bill of Sale for the items at an agreed amount between the County and Walker Aviation in the amount of $50,000. The Chairman will need to be authorized to sign the Bill of Sale which transfers ownership of the equipment to the County.

I. Memorandum of Understanding between Tift County and Airport Authority: The County Attorney addressed the Board explaining the Memorandum of Understanding he has prepared between the Tifton/Tift
County Airport Authority and the Tift County Board of Commissioners which sets forth the parameters for the continued operation of Henry Tift Myers Airport. Commissioners were provided with a copy of the MOU for review and the Chairman will need to be authorized to endorse the document at the Regular Meeting.

**County Manager Comments:**

**Commissioner’s Comments:**

**Executive Session:** None

Chairman Thompson adjourned the meeting.

Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

Vice Chairman Sherry Miley, District 4

Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1

Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2

Commissioner Robert Setters, District 3

Commissioner F. W. (Buck) Rigdon, District 5

ATTEST:

Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6

County Clerk 8/5/2014