

CALLED SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020 (6:00 PM)

The Called Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Commission Meeting Room of the Charles Kent Administration Building. Members of the Commission present were Chairman Grady Thompson and Commissioners Paul Webb, Greg Wood, Donnie Hester, and Stan Stalnaker. Commissioner Melissa Hughes attended via teleconference. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon was absent.

Probate Judge Suzanne Johnson issued the oaths of office to newly elected District 3 Commissioner Paul Webb.

- A. **Resolution No. 2020-10, Adoption of FY21 Budget:** County Manager Jim Carter read the resolution. Commissioner Donnie Hester asked that the budget be revisited in December to see if there is any way for employees to get a cost of living increase. Commissioner Melissa Hughes clarified that this budget reflects all joint services as currently provided.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-10, Adoption of FY21 Budget. Motion seconded by Commissioner Greg Wood. Motion carried 6-0 with the Chairman voting.

- B. **Renewal of ACCG-IRMA Liability Insurance Coverage:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that the County's property and liability insurance renews on July 1, 2020 and the total cost for renewal is \$502, 581. However, the County received a dividend of \$51,885 and a safety discount of \$21,826. With this dividend, safety discount and the premiums reimbursed by the Library and Development Authority, the net cost to the County is \$417,983.60. This is a 12.02% increase in net cost from last year.

Commissioner Donnie Hester made a motion to authorize Chairman Grady Thompson to execute the renewal for property and liability insurance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stan Stalnaker. Motion carried 6-0 with the Chairman voting.

- C. **Agreement with Georgia Public Defenders Council for Georgia Indigent Defense Services:** County Manager Jim Carter stated this agreement is for FY21 for a cost of \$276,604.92. The amount of this agreement is the same as last year and is included in the General Government Budget in the General Fund.

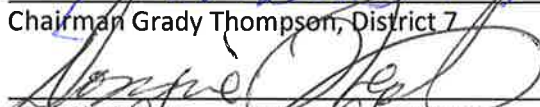
Commissioner Donnie Hester made a motion to approve the agreement with the Georgia Public Defenders Council for Georgia indigent defense services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stan Stalnaker. Motion carried 6-0 with the Chairman voting.

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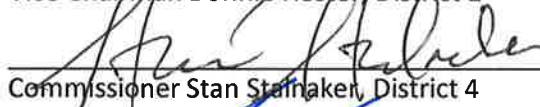
ADJOURN: There being no further discussion, Commissioner Paul Webb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Greg Wood. Motion carried 6-0 with the Chairman voting.



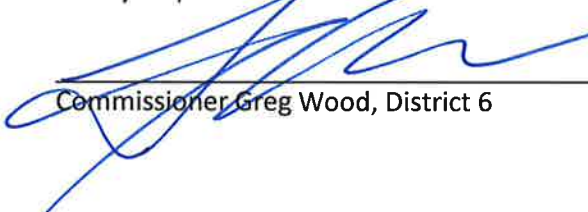
Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7



Vice Chairman Donnie Hester, District 1



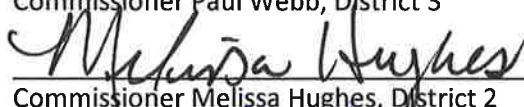
Commissioner Stan Starnaker, District 4




Commissioner Greg Wood, District 6

Absent

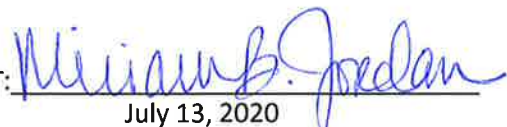
Commissioner Paul Webb, District 3



Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2



Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5

ATTEST: 

July 13, 2020