

**REGULAR SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014 (6:00 P.M.)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, December 8, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room in the Administrative Building. Member of the Commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Sherry Miley and Commissioners Robert Setters, Donnie Hester, Mike Jones, and Melissa Hughes.

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

Minutes: Motion approving the minutes of November 4, 2014 Workshop Session and Called meeting and November 10, 2014 Regular Session was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Judge Larry Mims addressed the Board. Judge Mims elected not to run again for State Court Judge and his term ends 12/31/2014. He thanked the Board for working with him so generously through the years he served as State Court Judge. He leaves with a very comfortable feeling that Tift County has one of the best State Courts. He commented the Board's staff for always being there helpful and going the extra mile to make things work smoothly and that they should be very proud of the staff.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA:

Surplus of Property on 2nd Street, Chestnut Avenue, Tift Avenue and Library Lane (D) Motion to amend the Agenda and make this addition to the Agenda under the letter "D" was made by Vice Chairman Miley, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Record Retention/Document Management Contract: Staff recommends the removal of this item from the Agenda at this time. Motion to remove this item from the Agenda was made by Commissioner Rigdon, seconded by Commissioner Setters. Motion carried unanimously.

B. WingPoint Contract for use at Airport: Motion authorizing the Chairman to endorse the Contract with WingPoint for use at the Airport for fuel sales was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Building & Grounds Maintenance Facility: The County Manager advised of the low Bid from Excelsior Buildings. Commissioner Setters had some questions concerning the concrete work and asked that if we noted specifications for the concrete work such as the re-bar and four inch slab. The County Manager advised that he would check into this prior to the start up of the project and noted that the County will require that. Motion was made by Commissioner Hughes to award the contract for the construction of the Building and Grounds Maintenance Facility to Excelsior Buildings in the low bid amount of \$65,750 and make sure the concrete work would meet the County's specifications as stated to be funded from SPLOST V, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Surplus Property on 2nd Street, Chestnut Avenue, Tift Avenue and Library Lane: The County Manager advised that Mike Walker would give the explanation of this request. He stated that several buildings needs to be surplus so that County Staff can move forward with the disposal process and once that is completed bring the bid amounts back to the Board for acceptance. The properties need to be cleared so that we will be able to start the badly need parking lots for the Courthouse and the Administration Building. Motion authorizing staff to start the surplus property process for the designated locations was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Comments:

Chairman Thompson wished all a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Hughes wished all a Merry Christmas and said that it had been a joy to serve with Commissioners Miley and Jones.

Vice Chairman Miley stated that she has enjoyed serving and it has been an honor to serve for the last 8 years. She wished the new Commissioner well as he begins his term and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Rigdon wished all a Merry Christmas

Commissioner Hester wished all a Merry Christmas and thanked Commissioners Miley and Jones for putting up with him for 8 years and thanked them for their time served.

Commissioner Jones expressed his gratitude to the citizens of Tift County for their vote of confidence for 2 election cycles. He thanked his fellow Board members for the friendship and fellowship that they have enjoyed together over the last 8 years. Tift County has a great staff that he feels strives for the betterment of our County and for that he is thankful. To the County employees who truly are the base of Tift County, he thanked them for their hard work every day and he thanked his family for allowing him to give of his time and talents to serve. He leaves with a great sense of accomplishments of the many improvements made with county Government over the last 8 years and just asked the citizens of Tift County for their consideration again on the next election cycle.

Commissioners Setters stated that it has been a pleasure serving with Commissioners Miley and Jones and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Executive Session: None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Setters seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

Vice Chairman Sherry Miley, District 4

Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1

Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2

Commissioner Robert Setters, Dist. 3

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

Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6

Attest: _____
Glynda Hemby, County Clerk
12/08/2014