

**REGULAR SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018 (6:00 PM)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Monday, January 8, 2018 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 Vice Chairperson Stan Stalnaker and Commissioners Robert Setters, Fred "Buck" Rigdon and Melissa Hughes. Commissioners Donnie Hester and Greg Wood were absent.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes offered an invocation and Chairman Grady Thompson led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to approve the following minutes: (1) Workshop Session – December 5, 2017 and (2) Regular Session – December 11, 2017. Motion seconded by Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon. The motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none to report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were none to report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

There were none to report.

REGULAR AGENDA:

- A. **Purchase of a 2016 Sheeps Foot Drum Roller from John Deere in the Amount of \$85,500 for the Road Department:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that he received two (2) bids and John Deere was the low bidder. Commissioner Robert Setters made a motion to approve the purchase. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Melissa Hughes. Motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.

- B. **Lease with Yancey CAT Equipment for a Front End Loader in the Amount of \$152,943 (\$83,646 Buy Back) for the Road Department:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that he received two (2) bids and Yancey was the low bidder. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon made a motion to approve the lease. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Robert Setters. Motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.

- C. **Authorization for the Road Department to Build and Set Up Lake Wisteria Drive for Paving:** Commissioner Stan Stalnaker made a motion to approve the Road Department to build and set up Lake Wisteria Drive for paving. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Melissa Hughes. Motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.

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- F. Adoption of Qualifying Fees for the 2018 Election as Follows: State Court Judge - \$3,500.06 Solicitor General - \$3,332.85; County Commission Districts 1, 3, 4 & 6 - \$282.24; Board of Education Districts 2, 4, 5 & 6 - \$36.00: County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that Georgia law requires qualifying fees to be set by the Board and published in the paper by February 1st of the election year. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon made a motion to set the qualifying fees for 2018. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Melissa Hughes. Motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: County Manager Jim Carter stated that he and Mike Walker visited with Commissioner Donnie Hester and Mr. Hester seemed to be doing well.

COUNTY CLERK'S COMMENTS: There were no comments to report.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:


Commissioner Melissa Hughes wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated she was looking forward to a great year. She asked everyone to continue praying for Commissioner Hester. She also asked for everyone's help with the sock drive in February.

Chairman Grady Thompson gave a brief update on TSPLOST.

ADJOURN: There being no further discussion, Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stan Stalnaker. Motion carried 4-0 with the Chairman voting.



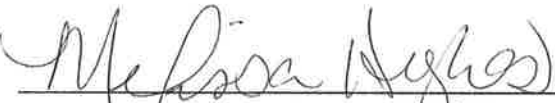
Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7



Commissioner Robert Setters, District 3

Did Not Attend This Meeting


Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1



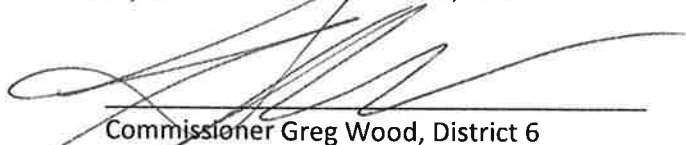
Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2



Commissioner Stan Stalnaker, District 4



Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5



Commissioner Greg Wood, District 6

ATTEST: 

February 12, 2018