

**WORKSHOP SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

The scheduled Workshop Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Tony McBrayer on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Charles Kent Administration Building. Members of the Commission present in addition to Chairman McBrayer were Commissioners Paul Webb, Greg Wood, Donnie Hester, Stan Stalnaker and Melissa Hughes. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon was absent.

Chairman Tony McBrayer led in Prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Markeith Hayes, 1716 Kimberly Court, spoke regarding his concerns using the EB Hamilton recreation complex

APPOINTMENTS:

- 3.1 Chairman Tony McBrayer read a Proclamation proclaiming September as Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month
- 3.2 Recreation Director Tim Petrea spoke concerning school based recreation programming

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were none to report.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT REGULAR SESSION, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 MEETING:

- 5.1 **Sophos Anti-Virus Software Upgrade:** IT Director Al Stephenson stated that the County's Local Area Network (LAN) is comprised of 225 workstations and 20 servers. In response to increased possible ransom ware attacks, IT staff recommends upgrading to Sophos' Intercept X Advanced with XDR Platform. This platform gives IT staff the ability to immediately isolate potential compromises and provides additional tools to search for future threats on the network before they become active. This would be a three (3) year service for the server and workstation protection as well as a one (1) year phishing subscription and one (1) year email protection. ProSource offered the lowest price of \$29,651.50. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.2 **Tift County DUI-Drug Court – MAT Grant Award:** County Manager Jim Carter stated this grant award is in the amount of \$10,056 and does not require the Commission to obligate any funds for a match. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.3 **Approval of Nulla Bonas:** Tax Commissioner Chad Alexander stated that these properties were sold at a Judicial In Rem sale on May 3, 2022 – T043 125A, T043 126, and T043 125. Total to be written off is \$35,074.53. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.

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- 5.4 **Agreement with Traylor Business Services for Personal Property Audit Services:** Chief Tax Assessor Hayward Becton stated that the County has contracted with Traylor Business Services for over 20 years. Traylor's auditors will review the records of randomly selected businesses for accurate reporting of machinery, equipment and inventory. Cost is \$18,000. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.5 **Ordinance No. 2022-04, Transporting Litter and Solid Waste:** County Manager Jim Carter stated that this ordinance serves to amend Chapter 94, Sections 94-52 and 94-54 of the Code of Ordinances so as to require that any loaded vehicle operating on a county road with direct ingress or egress to a solid waste disposal site be properly covered and secured. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.6 **Resolution No. 2022-17, Adoption of Hazard Mitigation Plan:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that the Commission approved the update to the Hazard Mitigation Plan in June 2022. GEMA requires that this approval be in the form of a resolution. Staff asked that the Commission ratify this resolution. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.7 **Roofing of Juvenile Justice Offices:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that two (2) quotes were received and Blanchett Roofing & Construction offered the lowest price at \$15,500. This is a budgeted repair in the General Fund. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.8 **Replacement of Flooring on 2nd Floor of Administration Building:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that two (2) quotes were received and Webb's Floor Covering offered the lowest price at \$16,955.55. This is a budgeted repair in the General Fund. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.9 **Resolution No. 2022-18, Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that NACO has asked counties to participate in Operation Green Light in support of veterans. This will involve passing this resolution and lighting the Admin Building green the week of Veterans Day. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.
- 5.10 **Resolution No. 2022-19, Surplus Property:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that this property is located on 5th Avenue – T047 074 & T047 075. The County acquired these properties via a forfeiture order from Superior Court in 1993. County Manager Jim Carter and County Attorney Anthony Rowell stated that this item is not ready for consideration. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Regular Agenda.
- 5.11 **Acceptance of Property from James Newton:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that Mr. Newton has contacted the County about giving the County two (2) ditches that he owns – T047 314 & T061 031A. Mr. Jordan stated that he feels in order to maintain the property behind the houses in this subdivision the County would need to accept this property in order to be able to service the storm drain needs of the neighborhood. County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that it

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would cost approximately \$3,500 for surveying and deed work. The Board indicated its desire to place the acceptance of this item on the Consent Agenda.

5.12 **Acceptance of Bid for Building Demolition Services and Issuance of Notice to Proceed:** Public Works Director Jason Jordan stated that three (3) sealed bids were received for this project and the low bidder was Golden Environmental in the amount of \$69,500. This project would involve the demolition of the old midstep building located at 283 Love Avenue. This will be funded with ARPA funds. The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Consent Agenda.

5.13 **Appointments to the Athletic Advisory Committee – TABLED 06.13.22, 07.11.22 & 08.08.22:** The Board indicated its desire to place this item on the Regular Agenda.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY:

There were none to report.

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

County Manager Jim Carter asked everyone to pray for the County Clerk's father who is ill. He also stated that there will a hearing on motions filed in the City of Tifton case on Thursday at 9:30 am in the State Court Hearing Room.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

There were none to report.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

There were none to report.

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There was none to report.

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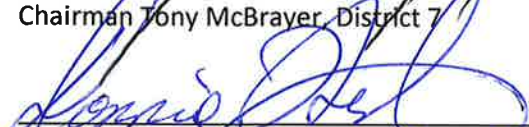
There being no further discussion, the Work Session was adjourned.

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Vice Chairman Paul Webb, District 3



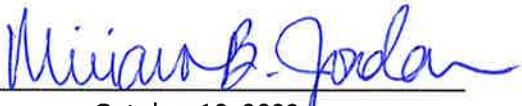
Commissioner Stan Stalnaker, District 4



Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5



Commissioner Greg Wood, District 6

ATTEST: 

October 10, 2022