

COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Session

March 6, 2017

Present: Dwight E. Purvis, Chairman
Debra Robinson, Vice-Chairman
Jeff Lane, Commissioner
Audie Rowe, Commissioner
Lindsey Parrish, Commissioner

Staff Present: Faye Hughes, County Administrator
Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk

Chairman Purvis called the meeting to order.

Faye Hughes gave the Invocation.

Commission Board led the pledge to the flag.

MINUTES: Commissioner Robinson moved to adopt the meeting minutes as presented, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

A & D Probation Services -Lisa Hancock: Mr. Lisa Hancock presented a report from her agency, A & D Probation services, reporting the number of cases handled through their probation agency.

Chris Davis – South Georgia Motorsports Park: Mr. Davis brought to the board's attention the fact that 3 warnings were issued for races held during the "Lights Out Event" on February 16, 17, & 18th at South Georgia Motorsports Park. Mr. Davis reported that the Friday night event was being streamed live and it was obvious that the track was closing at the assigned time. Mr. Davis asked the board to withdraw the warning issued for the Friday night race.

Commissioner Lane made the motion to rescind the warning issued for the Friday, February 17, 2017 event, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: Commissioner Rowe made the motion to enter into a public hearing with the right to return to regular session, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried, 5 yes votes.

COMMUNITY CHURCH ROAD: The board reviewed the request from Ms. Sherry Surrency to close the southern end of Community Church Road.

In Favor of the Request: Ms. Surrency requested the board approve her request, her grandson plays near the road and rides his bike in the road. The request is being made for his safety. Ms. Mary Barron and Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Adams, residents on the road, signed a petition in support of closing of the road.

There was no one that spoke in opposition of the request.

Commissioner Parrish moved to return to regular session, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried.

5311 RURAL TRANSPORTATION DRUG/ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY: Commissioner Robinson moved to ratify the Chairman's endorsement on the 5311 Rural Transportation Drug/Alcohol Testing Policy, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried, 5 yes votes.

TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX: Commissioner Robinson moved to table the item, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY CHURCH ROAD: Commissioner Lane made the motion to deny the request to close the southern end of Community Church Road, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion was unanimously to deny the request.

WIREGRASS TECHNICAL COLLEGE / CARPET REPLACEMENT: Commissioner Robinson moved to accept the low bid from Webb's Floor Covering for the carpet replacement at Wiregrass Technical College, \$36,998.40, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AMBULANCE CONTRACT: Commissioner Purvis made the motion to table the Community Service Ambulance contract, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion to table was unanimous.

KELLY CONSTRUCTION CO. CONTRACT / EMS BUILDING: Commissioner Rowe moved

to approve a 60 day extension of the contract with Kelly Construction Co.(EMS building), second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried unanimously.

COOK COUNTY'S / HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN: Commissioner Lane moved to approve the funding for the multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update thereby accepting Federal funding of \$18,000 for the update, local share will be \$6,000., second Commissioner Robinson. Motion to approve funding the update was unanimous.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LOCAL MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT GRANT (LMIG): Commissioner Parrish move to approve the GDOT Local Gov't Maintenance & Improvement grant for the striping and signage of 32 county roads, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried unanimously.

This grant is in addition to the 2017 LMIG grant for 75 road miles of striping and signage. This GDOT LMIG will add 32 miles of roads for striping and signage.

Register Road	3.72 miles
Boyette Pond Road	2.3 miles
Fellowship Road	5.6 miles
Futch Road	6.5 miles
Antioch Road	0.61 miles
McConnell Bridge Road	1.8 miles
Lonnie Grimsely Road	3.0 miles

Burnett Road	1.93 miles
Julian Joiner Road	2.60 miles
Ed Lindsey Road	2.23 miles
North Union Road	1.5 miles
<u>Weeks Road</u>	<u>0.8 miles</u>
	32.59 miles

PUBLIC COMMENT – HOSPITAL FUNDING: The following persons spoke requesting the board's approval to fund the new hospital facility.

Jimmy Lewis, Chief Executive Officer, Hometown Health, LLC

Chris Dorman, Tift Regional CEO

Howard McClain, Adel Industrial Authority

Dr. Russell Acree

Mary Sue Ward

Melanie Covington

Dr. Jairaj Goberdhan

Dr. Tom Fausett

Jeanne Dixon

Martha Dixon

Simmie McNeal

Martha Darden

Michael Moore

Ronnie Register

Kathleen McHan

Deborah Farmer

Burt and Cindy Moore

Sharon Harnage

Chase Daughtrey

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING / TIFT COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY: Commissioner Rowe moved to have the county attorney move forward with drafting a Memorandum of Understanding and Intergovernmental Agreement with the Tift County Hospital Authority for the building/funding of a new hospital facility, second Commissioner Parrish. Chairman asked for a roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lane voiced his concern over the need for this decision to be put on a referendum.

Executive Session: Commissioner Lane moved to enter into an executive session for personnel with the right to return to regular session, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried 5 yes votes.

Commissioner Lane moved to return to regular session, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Purvis announced there was no decision made in executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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This the 20th day of March, 2017.

/s/ Dwight E. Purvis, Chairman

/s/ Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk