

# COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

### April 7, 2014

**Present:** Michael Dinnerman, Chairman  
Jeff Lane, Vice-Chairman  
Debra Robinson, Commissioner  
Randy Lane, Commissioner  
Ronnie Sumner, Commissioner

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

Chairman Dinnerman called the meeting to order and thanked the audience for their attendance.

Faye Hughes gave the invocation.

The Commission Board led the Pledge to the American Flag.

**MINUTES:** Commissioner Robinson made the motion to approve the work session and regular session minutes from March 3, 2014 meetings, second Commissioner Randy Lane, 5 yes votes.

Commissioner Randy Lane made the motion to enter into a public hearing with the right to return to regular session, second Commissioner Sumner, 5 yes votes.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**USDA LOAN – FIRE TRUCKS:** Faye Hughes, County Administrator, presented the USDA Loan for 3 new fire trucks, \$210,000 loan with a grant of \$35,000. The length of the loan has not been determined at this time; payments will be made with general fund each year from the fire administration budget.

In favor of proposed loan:

Sheriff Doug Hanks spoke in favor of the loan, stating that he felt that it would help the departments in aiding the community.

David Harris, Chief Cecil VFD, stated there is a need to add new stations and trucks for the volunteer departments; he added that the Sparks VFD especially needs a truck – they have the highest call volume in the county.

Dwight Purvis asked if the addition of new stations and trucks would get the stations in all districts in compliance with ISO.

Dwight Bennett, Fire Consultant, added that some departments don't have Class A pumpers and Class A pumpers are needed for ISO. Cecil VFD is getting ready to hopefully test by the end of the year.

In opposition of proposed loan: There was no one present that spoke in opposition of the proposal.

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

**PROCLAMATION: VETERANS' DAY:** Commissioner Randy Lane moved to ratify the decision to adopt the Veteran's Day Proclamation designating March 29, 2014 as Veteran's Day in Cook County, second Commissioner Jeff Lane. Motion carried.

### **VIETNAM VETERANS DAY PROCLAMATION 29 MARCH 2014**

On January 12, 1962, United States Army pilots lifted more than 1,000 South Vietnamese service members over jungle and underbrush to capture a National Liberation Front stronghold near Saigon. Operation Chopper marked America's first combat mission against the Viet Cong, and the beginning of one of a war that lasted more than a decade, and

WHEREAS, Fifty-two years after that fateful mission, we honor more than 3 million Americans who served, we pay tribute to the 14 whom Cook County, GA laid to rest, and we reaffirm our dedication to showing a generation of veterans respect and support of a grateful Nation, and,

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War is a story of service members of different backgrounds, colors, and creeds who came together to complete a daunting mission, It is a story of Americans from every corner of our Nation who left the warmth of family to serve the country they loved. It is a story of patriots who braved the line of fire, who cast themselves into harm's way to save a friend, who fought hour after hour, day after day to preserve the liberties we hold dear, and,

WHEREAS, the highest traditions of our Armed Forces were revealed during eleven years of combat that left their imprint on a generation. Thousands returned home bearing shrapnel and scars; still more were burdened by the invisible wounds of post-traumatic stress, of Agent Orange, of memories that would never fade. More than 58,000 laid down their lives in service to our Nation. Now and forever, their names are etched into the Vietnam War Memorial, a lasting monument to those who bore conflict's greatest cost, and,

WHEREAS, our veterans answered our country's call and served with honor, and on March 29, 1973, the last of our troops left Vietnam. Yet, in one of the war's most profound tragedies, many of these men and women came home to be shunned or neglected -- to face treatment unbecoming their courage and a welcome unworthy of their example. We must never let this happen again. Today, we reaffirm one of our most fundamental obligations: to show all who have worn the uniform of the United States the respect and dignity they deserve, and to honor their sacrifice by serving them as well as they served us. Half a century after those helicopters swept off the ground and into the annals of history, we pay tribute to the fallen, the missing, the wounded, the millions who served, and the millions more who awaited their return. Our Nation stands stronger for their service, and on Vietnam Veterans Day, we honor their proud legacy with our deepest gratitude.

THEREFORE, we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2014, as Vietnam Veterans Day in Cook County, GA. We call upon our community to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities that commemorate the 52nd-year anniversary of the Vietnam War.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the chairman, Michael Dinnerman has hereunto set his hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014 in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen.

Cook County Board of Commissioners

  
Michael Dinnerman, Chairman



  
Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk

**2014 LMIG PROJECT / BIDS:** Commissioner Sumner made the motion to accept the low bid for the 2014 LMIG Project, North Union Road, from Scruggs, \$323,233.28, second Commissioner Jeff Lane, 5 yes votes.

GDOT LMIG funding is \$315,837.11, difference of \$7,386.17.

BIDS: Reames           \$349,870.63  
      Scruggs           323,223.28

**ROAD REPAIR / BIDS:**

	Reames	Scruggs	Difference
1. Rountree Bridge Road at box culvert	23,024.25	25,546.49	2,522.24
2. Cranford Sumner Rd	20,328.25	23,412.64	3,084.39
3. Ed Lindsey Rd	31,909.75	30,885.96	1,023.79
4. Daughtrey/Rutland	31,175.50	33,021.83	1,843.33
5. Barneyville	84,035.50	78,979.59	5,055.91
6. Kinard Bridge Rd	153,761.00	185,002.02	31,241.02
Total Individual projects	344,234.25	376,848.53	32,614.28
Total Combined (if all go to one vendor)	344,234.25	331,692.95	12,541.30

The cost to give Reames their lowest bids and Scruggs theirs highlighted in yellow would be 338,154.55 which is 6,461.61 over Scruggs combined bid.

Commissioner Sumner made the motion to approve the low bid for the road repairs, Scruggs - \$331,692.95, second Commissioner Randy Lane, 5 yes votes.

**SOUTHERN URETHANE ROOFING & INSULATION, INC. / COURTHOUSE ROOF REPAIR**

**CONTRACT:** Commissioner Robinson moved to authorize the Chairman's endorsement on the Southern Urethane Roofing & Insulation, Inc. contract (#2014-407) for the courthouse roof repairs, \$19,865, second Commissioner Randy Lane, 5 yes votes.

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER CONTRACT / KELLERMAN CONSTRUCTION –**

**CHANGE ORDERS:** Commissioner Randy Lane made the motion to approve Workforce Development Center's Change Orders: #1 extension on completion date; and, #2 carpet change, \$500, second Commissioner Sumner, 5 yes votes.

**ADEL-COOK TOURISM AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS:** Commissioner Randy Lane moved to reappoint Ron Mitchell and Bart Holt to the Adel-Cook Tourism Authority, April 2014 – March 2018, second Commissioner Robinson. Motion Carried.

**MIDS - TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGREEMENT – AMENDMENT #1:** Commissioner Jeff Lane made the motion authorizing the Chairman's endorsement on the MIDS Transportation Service Agreement, Amendment #1, second Commissioner Robinson, 5 yes votes.

**PROCLAMATION – DONATE LIFE MONTH:** Commissioner Robinson made the motion to approve the Proclamation for National Donate Life Month, designating April 2014 as donate life month in Cook County, second Commissioner Sumner, 5 yes votes.

**FIRE TRUCKS – PAINT BIDS:** Commissioner Randy Lane made the motion to approve the bid from A-1 Body shop for \$2000 per vehicle to paint the surplus utility trucks, 2 1997 Stewart & Stevenson Utility (S4063 & S4051) second Commissioner Jeff Lane, 5 yes votes.

**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS – BOARD OF EDUCATION’S REQUEST FOR TWO ADDITIONAL OFFICERS:** Commissioner Randy Lane made the motion to approve two additional resources officers for the school system: \$23,000 salary per officer, 10,000 fuel/vehicle maintenance; the Board of Education will assume 75% of the overall costs for the officers. The County will have a start up expense of approximately \$13,838.00, second Commissioner Sumner, 5 yes votes.

**CHARLIE MEADOWS’ REQUEST – MAINTAINING CHARLIE LANE:** Commissioner Randy Lane moved to approve scrapping Charlie’s Lane as long as school buses used the road, second Commissioner Jeff Lane. Motion failed; Commissioner Randy rescinded his motion and Commissioner Jeff Lane rescinded his second.

Commissioner Robinson moved to table the request from Charlie Meadows regarding Charlie’s Lane, second Commissioner Jeff Lane, 5 yes votes.

**Meeting adjourned:** Commissioner Randy Lane made the motion to adjourn meeting, second Commissioner Jeff Lane. Motion carried.

**COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

This the 21st day of April, 2014.

/s/ Michael Dinnerman, Chairman

/s/ Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk