

**COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Work Session 5:00 p.m.

September 18, 2017

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

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

Chairman Dwight Purvis called the work session to order.

Personnel Policies and Procedures: Board reviewed proposed updates in the Personnel Policies and Procedures.

Recreation Board Members: Chad Bush, Member-Recreation Board and Michael Folsom, Recreation Director, spoke to the board regarding the new recreation development. Development of the new recreation facility will begin January 1, 2018.

Larry Arnold and Tax Assessors' Board: Larry Arnold, Chief Appraiser, presented a request for additional staff member that would serve as a personal property appraiser.

Daniel Barber – Road Department: Mr. Barber presented his road work detail. He also made a request to rent a mini excavator for one month, \$3000, to aid the post hurricane clean up. There was no motion made but the board agreed that a mini excavator was needed.

Tree Removal: The board discussed the county's responsibility of moving trees that have fallen across a ditch fence onto the county road. The county attorney (later by email) advised that county responsibility is to remove the tree off the county right of way and the property owner would be responsible for removing the tree off his property.

In some cases, the board discussed that the road department could remove the trees off the right of way by reaching with the arm of the excavator (with no equipment entering private property).

Striping Bids: Bids were opened for the 32.735 miles of striping from the 2017 LMIG Striping Project.

MID State Construction & Striping, Inc.      \$132,645.00

Peek Pavement and Marking, LLC              188,900.00

Executive Session: Commissioner Robinson moved to enter into an executive session for a Personnel matter with the right to return to regular session, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lane moved to return to regular session, second Commissioner Parrish. Motion carried, 5 yes votes.

Chairman Purvis announced that there was no decision made during executive session.

Commissioner Rowe moved to conclude the work session, second Commissioner Parrish.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Work Session adjourned.

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This the 2nd day of October, 2017.

/s/ Dwight E. Purvis, Chairman

/s/ Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk