

**COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Session 6:00 p.m.

May 7, 2018

Present:

Lindsey Parrish, Vice-Chairman  
Jeff Lane, Commissioner  
Audie Rowe, Commissioner  
Dwight E. Purvis, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Faye Hughes, County Administrator  
Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk  
Jess Permenter, Bldg/Zoning Administrator

Vice-Chair Parrish called the meeting to order.

Faye Hughes gave the invocation.

Commissioners led the pledge to the flag.

**MINUTES:** Commissioner Lane made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2018 meetings and the April 12, 2018 Called Meeting, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

**COMMUNICATION TOWER:** Lamar Ray, E-911 Director and Jeff Shealey, Superintendent, Board of Education, presented a request from the school board to house an antenna on the county communication tower located on Old Quitman Hwy.

Commissioner Rowe moved to allow the school board to install an antenna on the county communication tower located on Old Quitman Hwy, between 250 ft – 270 ft, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried unanimous vote.

**NEW COMMUNICATION TOWER, SCRUGGS PROPERTY-LENOX:** Commissioner Lane moved to accept the quote from Tower Services of South Georgia, LLC, \$30,774.30 for the installation of the 250 ft. communication tower located at 321 Ross Road, Lenox, Georgia, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried, 4 yes votes. The contract with Scruggs, owner of the property, is forthcoming.

**SIGN ORDINANCE:** Mr. Charles Parks, representing the Sons of the Confederate Veterans, asked the board consideration in allowing the sign located on property of Mr. & Mrs. Shore, S. Hwy 41, Adel, remain on the property as is.

According to Jess Permenter, Building/Zoning Administrator, the complaint was made by Pastor Phil Morris. Mr. Permenter referenced the county sign ordinance, stating that the sign as it currently exist exceeds the legal size of a sign in an R-1 zone.

The commission will take Mr. Parks' request under advisement.

**5311 FTA TRANSIT PROCUREMENT POLICY:** Commissioner Lane moved to adopt the 5311 FTA Transit Procurement Policy as presented and authorize the chair's endorsement, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

**2018-19 EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL:** Commissioner Purvis moved to accept the renewal proposal from BcBsGA for the 2018-19 plan year, proposing a 2.1 increase for employee health insurance premiums, second Commissioner Lane. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

COOK MEDICAL CENTER, EIP GRANT SUBMITTAL RESOLUTION: Commissioner Lane moved to adopt the Cook Medical Center EIP Submittal Resolution and authorize the Chair's endorsement, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION**

**OF COOK COUNTY  
TO SUBMIT A JOINT APPLICATION WITH THE CITY OF ADEL TO OBTAIN  
EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS FOR PUBLIC  
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO ASSIST  
COOK COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Commission supports sound economic development initiatives within the City of Adel and Cook County, realizing that such activity is in the best interest of the City and the County, and resulting in the creation of new jobs and an increased capital investment in Adel-Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Commission has been informed that Cook County Medical Center plans to construct a new facility in Adel-Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Commission has been informed that in order for the expansion to occur, the City of Adel must first address deficiencies in its water and sewer systems in order to adequately serve the new Cook County Medical Center facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Commission and the Adel City Council have both identified a lack of sufficient funds to address the need for adequate water and sewer infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, Employment Incentive Program (EIP) funds are sufficient to address this need; and

**WHEREAS**, the site for the new Cook County Medical Center is located outside of the City Limits of Adel necessitating a joint EIP application with Cook County; and


**WHEREAS**, the City of Adel will act as the lead agency, and thereby is responsible for compliance with applicable State and Federal requirements of the Georgia Small Cities CDBG/EIP program; and

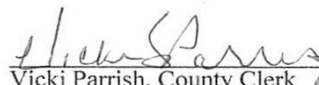
**WHEREAS**, the Adel City Council has requested that the staff of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission assist in the preparation and administration of the EIP application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Adel City Council has agreed to provide any needed matching funds and in-kind services to complete this water and sewer infrastructure project.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Commission and the City of Adel will submit an Employment Incentive Program (EIP) application to address the identified need.

**SO RESOLVED** this 7 day of May, 2018.

  
Lindsey Parrish, Vice Chairman

  
Vicki Parrish, County Clerk

(SEAL)



**GRADY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CORPORATION:** Commissioner Lane moved to ratify the decision to accept the contract for EMS services with Grady Memorial Hospital Corp. for a 5 year period - \$300,000 annually, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

**SOUTHEAST COOK –VFD TURNOUT GEAR:** Commissioner Lane made the motion to ratify the decision to purchase 2 sets of turnout gear for Southeast Cook VFD, Municipal Fire Equipment \$4384, second Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried unanimously.

**LAW LIBRARY RESOLUTION:** Commissioner Rowe made the motion to adopt the Resolution and budget for FY2016-17, Entity #205 Law Library, \$57,414.35, second Commissioner Lane. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution**

WHEREAS, Cook County, Georgia is required by the laws of the State of Georgia to prepare, adopt and to operate under an annual balanced budget commencing October 1<sup>st</sup> of each Fiscal Year; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has designated the County Administrator as the County Budget officer and has required the County Administrator to prepare and submit a balanced operating budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 for Cook County; and,

WHEREAS, the County Administrator has presented a balanced Proposed 2016-2017 Operating Budget for Cook County Law Library (Attachment A) was not included in the scheduled meeting conducted on August 15, 2016, to solicit public comments, or work sessions; and,

WHEREAS, during the audit for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year, auditors, Meeks CPA has recommended a separate fund be created for the Law Library Funds; and,

WHEREAS, any amendments to said Budget after Final Adoption are made as follows:

1. Any increases in appropriation in any fund for any County Department of Cook County whether accomplished through a change in anticipated revenues in any fund or through a transfer of appropriations among Departments, shall require the approval of the Board of County Commissioners;
2. Transfers to appropriations in any fund among the various accounts within a Department of Cook County, shall require only the approval of the Budget Officer, except that transfers of appropriations within a Department of Cook County which increases the salary appropriation shall require the approval of the Board of Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, creating a separate Fund 205 Law Library is in compliance with the above mentioned process; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners hereby formally adopt the 2016-2017 Operating Budget for Cook County Law Library as provided in Attachment A.

BY: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Debra Robinson, District 1, Chairman

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Lindsey Parrish, District 2

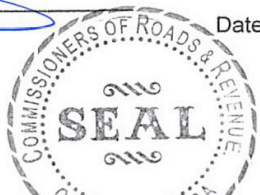
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Jeff Lane, District 3

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Dwight Purvis, District 5

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Attest: Vicki Parrish, County Clerk



ROAD DEPARTMENT – DUMP TRUCK REPAIRS: Commissioner Lane moved to approve repairs to the 2002 Tri-State Peterbuilt VIN #2760 (new fuel pump) and 1997 Ford Tandem dump (rear axle issue and cracked bed), VIN #8751 trucks. Second by Commissioner Rowe. Motion carried unanimously.

COMPENSATION FOR FIRE REPORTS – VFD: Commissioner Lane moved to pay the person in the volunteer fire departments that are filing the reports, rather than the chiefs as agreed in an earlier meeting, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

PINE VALLEY VFD – DEBRIS REMOVAL: Commissioner Rowe made the motion approving Pine Valley VFD's request for waiving landfill tipping fees in order for the department to deposit the remains of an old building located from the department's property into the landfill, second Commissioner Lane. Motion carried, 4 yes votes.

Executive Session: Commissioner Lane moved to enter into an executive session with the right to return to regular session, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Commissioner Lane moved to adjourn the meeting, second Commissioner Purvis. Motion carried.

COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

This the 21st day of May, 2018.

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/s/ Debra Robinson, Chairman

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/s/ Vicki S. Parrish, County Clerk