#### **3MINUTES**

# **DECATUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

#### **COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM**

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017**

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN PETE STEPHENS, VICE CHAIRMAN DENNIS BRINSON, COMMISSIONERS RUSTY DAVIS, STEVE BROCK, GREG MURRAY AND GEORGE ANDERSON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ALAN THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK BEVERLY KING, COUNTY ATTORNEY BRUCE KIRBO AND NEWS REPORTER POWELL COBB.

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Pete Stephens called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. After the call to order, Reverend Lynn Roberts gave the invocation and all those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

County Administrator Alan Thomas asked the Board to approve the following amendment: Remove #2 from the Agenda; Point Broadband Update, Mr. Gauntt requested that he be deferred to the next scheduled Commissioners' meeting. Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to approve the agenda with this amendment. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

There were no Special Presentations.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Chairman Stephens recognized Dorothy Johnson. Ms. Johnson stated that she lived at 702 E. Columbia Street and requested that her road be paved. Ms. Johnson stated that it has been 35 years since it was last paved. Chairman Stephens stated that Columbia Street is within the city limits and referred her to the City Council.

## **APPROVE MINUTES**

Commissioner Brock made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Meeting held February 28, 2017. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go out of the regular meeting and into a Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Application. Vice Chairman Brinson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Alan Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated the purpose of this public hearing is to announce that Decatur County will be applying for a 2017 Community Development Block Grant and allow the public the opportunity to provide ideas concerning potential projects for this grant. The maximum amount for this 2017 CDBG grant application is \$750,000. County Administrator Thomas stated the County was anticipating on using this grant money for street and drainage improvements. Chairman Stephens opened the floor for comments. There being no comments, Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to close this public hearing and enter into the regular scheduled meeting. Commissioner Brock seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Consider Resolution – Community Development Block Grant. Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas said this resolution states the intent to submit a Community Development Block Grant application and designates the Chairperson to act as Certifying Official for this project. County Administrator Thomas recommended the Board approve this resolution. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve this resolution. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Consider Approval for CDBG Consultant – Bob Roberson and Associates. Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated that Bob Roberson and Associates have been the grant writing consultants for the CDBG grants for the County for several years and have been very successful. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with an agreement for professional services from Bob Roberson and Associates to apply for a grant under the Community Development Block Grant Program and recommended the Board approve this agreement. County Administrator Thomas stated this was a standard contract and if the grant should not be awarded, there would be no compensation to Bob Roberson and Associates. Commissioner Murray made a motion to approve this agreement. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Consider Approval for Disposal of Surplus Vehicle from Sheriff's Department. Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with a letter from Major Wendell Cofer of the Decatur County Sheriff's department requesting the consideration of the Board of Commissioners for the disposal of a surplus vehicle to be sold on Govdeals.net. Commissioner Brock made a motion to approve this request. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

## **COMMISSIONERS / ADMINISTRATOR'S REMARKS**

Commissioner Anderson thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and encouraged everyone to offer any input that would help Decatur County.

Commissioner Murray thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and encouraged everyone to come to the meetings to stay informed about local government.

Commissioner Davis thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Commissioner Brock thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and stated that in the short time he has been a commissioner, he has seen progress made within the County. Commissioner Brock thanked Reverend Roberts for coming to the meeting and giving the invocation.

Vice Chairman Brinson thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Chairman Stephens thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and asked everyone to pray for Fire Chief Charlie McCann and his family.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion by Vice Chairman Brinson, was duly adjourned. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Approved

Chairman

Attest:

County Clerk