

## MINUTES

### DECATUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN PETE STEPHENS, VICE CHAIRMAN DENNIS BRINSON, COMMISSIONERS GREG MURRAY, GEORGE ANDERSON AND STEVE BROCK, 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 7:00 p.m. After the call to order, Chairman Stephens gave the invocation and all those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Stephens asked the Board to approve the following amendments: Add #9 to the Agenda; Consider Requests from Sheriff's Department; and Add #10, Consider Board Appointment. Commissioner Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda with these amendments. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no Special Presentations.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

#### APPROVE MINUTES

Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting held June 12, 2018 as presented. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to be discussed.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Consider Approval of Loan Modification – Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA).** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Alan Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated this is a modification to an agreement with GEFA that was originally approved by the Board of Commissioners in January 2015. County Administrator Thomas stated that part of that agreement at that time called for the Landfill's Cell 5 completion date to be November 2017 and that completion date was not achieved. County Administrator Thomas stated in January 2018 the Board approved a modification that moved the completion date for Cell 5 from November 2017 to July 2018. County Administrator Thomas stated that due to the weather and equipment issues, we are asking for this modification to move the completion date from July 2018 to December 2018. County Administrator Thomas stated that everything else in this agreement stays the same; the interest rate remains at 1.52%, it is a 10-year loan and the loan amount is for \$2,595,000, in which that total amount is not anticipated on being used. County Administrator Thomas recommended the Board approve this modification. Commissioner Brock made a motion to approve this modification. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Approval of Georgia Indigent Defense Services Agreement.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated this is an

annual agreement for the Circuit Public Defender Office for provision of criminal defense for indigent persons accused of violating ordinances or state laws. County Administrator Thomas stated the cost for the county is \$184,387.68 and is included in the budget. Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to approve this agreement. Commissioner Brock seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Approval of Lease Agreement with Georgia Pines.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated this is a recurring annual property agreement for Decatur Seminole Service Center facility located at 333 Airport Road and the Decatur County Mental Health facility located at 1005 Washington Street. County Administrator Thomas stated that the agreement is for the term of one year and recommended the Board approve this agreement. Commissioner Murray made a motion to approve this agreement. Vice Chairman Brinson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Request to Abandon Blackjack Road Extension.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with a letter from Edwin J. Perry, III, representing Gerald W. Long, requesting to abandon Blackjack Road extension. County Administrator Thomas stated in his letter it outlines the area of the road showing an abandoned road but was never officially abandoned. County Administrator Thomas stated since that time, the road has not been used by the public and has in fact been abandoned. County Administrator Thomas stated that Mr. Long is requesting that official action be taken so that he can obtain a clear title to that property. County Administrator Thomas stated that counsel has been involved in this request and recommended this request be considered by the Board. Commissioner Murray made a motion to approve this request. Commissioner Brock seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Purchase of Semi-Truck – Public Works.** Chairman Stephens recognized Public Works Director Dennis Medley. Mr. Medley requested the purchase of a semi-truck from Rush Truck Centers in Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. Medley stated that he has looked at around eight to ten semi-trucks to replace the one that caught fire on Highway 27 that was a total loss. Mr. Medley stated after looking at all of the semi-trucks, he recommended the Board approve the purchase of a 2012 Peterbilt 386, similar to the one that was lost in the fire. Mr. Medley stated this truck has 307,802 miles and the asking price was \$49,950.00 but has negotiated the price to \$45,000.00. Mr. Medley stated if the Board approves this purchase, he will go Thursday morning with a mechanic to look at the truck and if it meets their needs, he will purchase the truck if approved by the Board. Commissioner Brock made a motion to approve this purchase. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Approval of Proposal for HVAC Repair – Courthouse.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated that the main courtroom has had air conditioning problems. County Administrator Thomas stated there are four units that serve the courtroom and two of those units are in disrepair. County Administrator Thomas stated that James Coddington has spent a lot of time trying to get several bids for repair or replacement of those units. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with two bids and recommended the Board approve the low bid from Mills Heating, Cooling & Commercial Refrigeration, Inc. in the amount of \$26,500.00. Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to approve this purchase. Commissioner Brock seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Approval of Error and Release Report from Tax Commissioner.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with an Error and Release Report from the Tax Commissioner for their consideration of approval. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve this report. Vice Chairman Brinson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**Consider Requests from Sheriff's Department.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated that he received some letters from Chief Deputy Sheriff Wendell Cofer with three requests. County Administrator Thomas stated that one request was consideration to approve the purchase of two 2018 Ford SUV vehicles for the sheriff's department. County Administrator Thomas stated that one vehicle will replace a 2002 Ford Stepside Truck with 234,022 miles and the other will replace a 2011 Crown Vic with 205,900 miles. County Administrator Thomas presented the Board with two bids and recommended the Board approve the low bid from Woody Folsom Auto Group in the amount of \$27,458.00. County Administrator Thomas stated this purchase will come out of next year's budget. County Administrator Thomas stated the next request is to declare a 2002 Ford Stepside Truck surplus property and dispose of it by selling it on Govdeals; and the third request is to discard irreparable property of the Sheriff's department and the Jail. County Administrator

