

**REGULAR SESSION  
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2013 (6:00 P.M.)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Administrative Building. Member of the Commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Sherry Miley and Commissioners Donnie Hester, Buck Rigdon, Melissa Chevers, and Mike Jones. Commissioner Robert Setters was out of town.

Chairman Thompson asked Commissioner Hester to give the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

**These minutes reflect the Chairman's vote which is normal procedure when a Commissioner is absent from a meeting.**

**Minutes:** Motion approving the minutes of March 5, 2013 Workshop Session; March 11, 2013 Regular Session was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** None

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**A. Assistance to Firefighter (FEMA) Grant Matching Funds Request:** This grant is for the purchase of firefighter equipment; specifically in this grant it will be to purchase air tanks for the fireman to use. The total award granted is \$466,800 with the local share amounting to \$46,680. The County's portion is \$23,340 to be funded from the contingency fund. Motion to approve the matching funds for the Firefighter grant for the purchase of air tanks in the amount of \$23,340 was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Appointment to Athletic Advisory Committee:** This appointment will fill the unexpired term of Raymond Teal and Tim McRae's appointment comes as a recommendation from the Athletic Advisory Committee. There were no other applications. The Chairman opened the floor for nominations. Commissioner Rigdon nominated Tim McRae. There were no further nominations and the Chairman closed the nomination process. Motion was made by Commissioner Rigdon to appoint Tim McRae to fill the unexpired term which will expire May 2014, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Safety Discount Verification Form:** the Safety Committee has reviewed the criteria required to be eligible to receive the safety discounts on Property and Liability and Workers' Comp Premiums. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester authorizing the Chairman to endorse the Safety Verification Form, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Bids for LMIG Resurfacing Projects:** Bids were advertised, received and properly opened at the designated. Staff recommendation is to accept the low bid from Reams & Son Construction Company to construct the project titled "FY 2013 LMIG Pavement Resurfacing Project" in the amount of \$886,301.94. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to award the LMIG Resurfacing Project to Reams & Son Construction in the low bid amount of \$886,301.94, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. Purchase of 2 Trucks for Building and Grounds:** Bids were received for the purchase of two new trucks for the Building and Grounds Department. The low bid was from Griffin Ford of Tifton in the amount of \$17,627 each for a total for two trucks in the amount of \$35,254. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to approve the purchase of the two trucks from Griffin Ford of Tifton in the amount of \$35,254 to be funded from SLPOST III, seconded by Vice Chairman Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Roof Bids for Law Enforcement Center and Administration Complex:** The County Manager told the Board that a representative from Hall Contracts was present to explain the method in which the PVC roofing will be put down on the Law Enforcement Complex and would answer any questions the Board may have. Jackie Wayne Hall told the Board that this material is the best for flat

roofs and carries a 20 year warranty. The material is generated from a pool liner but is much thicker and is welded together with a high heat gun. The sheets are pre-sized and pre-cut to fit the roof. It is possible to get 2,000 square feet in one sheet.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chevers to award the re-roofing of all the specified buildings to Hall Contractors in the amount of \$418,509 to be paid from SPLOST III, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

**G. Resolution between Tift County Development Authority & Tift County**

**To help fund Road Repair Project:** The Development Authority has agreed to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the County to reclaim and resurface Southwell Boulevard and Oakridge Church Road through the Industrial Park. Staff has estimated the cost of resurface these two roads at \$1,129,507. The Development Authority has agreed to fund 52% of the project cost or %590,485.50 whichever is less leaving the County's portion \$539,021.42. The Development Authority has approved the agreement. The Board needs to authorize the Chairman to endorse the Interlocal agreement for the County. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester authorizing the Chairman to endorse the Agreement between Tift County and the Development Authority for the resurface fund of these two roads, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioners Comments:**

Commissioner Hester stated that he has had several calls inquiring about a Countywide clean-up campaign. The County Manager advised that staff is working on this and it will be discussed at budget time. He also reported that the County or City has not closed any recycling centers.

Commissioner Miley also commented on the countywide clean-up stating that she has been asking for it and has been waiting for two years. She asked if it or any part of the clean-up campaign could be funded through SPLOST and the County Manager said no, it is no, it does not fall within the SPLOST guidelines for funding. She also has had some calls and concerns on an issue with private roads stating that they are not being maintained and the roads are in very bad shape and wanted to know what could be done, if anything. The road is off of Adams Road. Staff explained that as long as it is a private road, private property, the County cannot do anything about it. The roads are not a part of the County's Road System and we cannot require anything of the owners.

**Executive Session:** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

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Vice Chairman Sherry Miley, District 4

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Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1

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Commissioner Melissa Chevers, District 2

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Commissioner Robert Setters, Dist. 3

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Commissioner F. W. (Buck) Rigdon, District 5

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Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glynda Hemby, County Clerk  
4/8/2013