

**REGULAR SESSION  
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MONDAY, March 10, 2014 (6:00 P.M.)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, March 10, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room in the Administrative Building. Member of the Commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Sherry Miley and Commissioners Donnie Hester, Mike Jones, Robert Setters, Buck Rigdon and Melissa Chevers.

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

**Minutes:** Motion approving the minutes of February 4, 2014 Workshop Session, and February 10, 2014 Regular Session was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

Chad Alexander, Tax Commissioner addressed the Board and gave them updates on the tax collections. He also advised the Board that a Sale of Property will be held on the Courthouse steps on April 1, 2014 for the 2011 uncollected property taxes.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Motion approving a Name Change only for Beer and Wine License for JM Food Store**

**B. Motion approving Beer and Wine License for AJ Singh for Joe's Place located on Hwy 82**

**Motion approving the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Vice Chairman Miley. Motion carried unanimously.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**C. Change April Meeting Date:** Most Commissioners will be out of town at Annual Conference on the regular scheduled April Meeting Date. Motion to change the April Meeting dates to: Workshop on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 and Regular Session to April 7, 2014 was made by Vice Chairman Miley, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Proposed changes to Inmate Agreement with TRMC:** the County Manager advised that the revised contract states that Tift Regional Medical center agrees that Tift County shall be required to pay the Medicaid reimbursement rate for all medical services provided by Tift Regional Medical Center to Tift County for Inmate Medical Care. Motion authorizing the County Manager to endorse the Contract for Tift County Inmate Medical Care with Tift Regional Medical Center was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. Proper Dress Ordinance:** Recommendation from the Attorney is to remove this item from the Agenda until further research can be done on this issue. Motion to remove from the Agenda was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Solid Waste Collection RFP Evaluation Methodology:** This item requires no action at this time. There is a scheduled Joint Meeting with the City of Tifton scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 5 PM at the Welcome Station for discussion of this matter.

**G. Advertising and Request for Participation from Cal Duke Publishing/Project with Chamber:** Motion to table until the April Meeting was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Proposals for Construction Manager for EOC/911 Facility:** The County Manager gave out new prepared documents to the Board that reflects the changes requested by the Board during the March Workshop Meeting. He pointed out the numeric data that was utilized in determining the

scores reflected in two grading sheets. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Miley to award the construction Manager/Value Engineering step in this project to Jones Construction Company of Tifton, in the amount of \$7,500, seconded by Commissioner Setters. Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioners Comments:**

Vice Chairman Miley asked that the County Manager and whoever was responsible for updating the Tift County Website to take a look at it and bring information up to date.

**County Manager Comments:** The County Manager yielded time to Roger Dill.

Both the County Manager and Roger Dill advised the Board again that the Collection Site at Carpenter Road and Whiddon Mill Road will be closing for the widening project of Carpenter Road. Mr. Dill advised the Board that this project will be let by the DOT in April 2014.

Mr. Dill addressed the Board stating that he had recently been appointed to the Board for Ruth's Cottage. He was here on their behalf to discuss the facility that now houses the victims and stated that even though the County has done a lot of maintenance on the house, it simply is not big enough and does not meet the needs of the Ruth's Cottage victims. He approached the Board about the vacant lot currently owned by the County where the old jail use to be across the street from the Administration Building. He along with the Board Members of Ruth's Cottage would like to have some discussion with the County to see if we would be interested in declaring the property surplus and give the lot to Ruth's Cottage in order to construct a new facility. The County Manager and the Board agreed that there needs to be some more information gathered on this issue before a decision can be made as well as checking with the County Attorney. The Board agreed to take the request under advisement and place the item on the April Agenda.

**Executive Session:** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Setters. 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  
03/10/2014