

Baldwin County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 9, 2007
6:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Baldwin County Commissioners was held Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 6:30 p.m., Baldwin County Courthouse, Suite 319, 121 North Wilkinson Street, Milledgeville, Georgia, with Chairman Dale Epps presiding.

Members Present: Bobby Blizzard
Geneva Davis
Dale Epps, Sr.
Bubba Williams

Members Absent: Collins P. Lee

Also Present: David Waddell
Joan Minton
Cindy Cunningham
Linda Zarkowsky
Ralph McMullen
Smokey Veal
Scott Deason

Call to Order

Chairman Dale Epps called the October 9, 2007, Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion that the minutes of the September 18, 2007, Regular Meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Bids for Fencing at Soccer Complex

Finance Director Linda Zarkowsky presented information regarding bids for two (2) fencing projects at the Recreation Department. She stated the following four (4) bids were received: Garrett Fencing - \$14,390.00; ABF Fencing - \$15,122.50; Central Fencing Company - \$18,581.00; and Master Link Custom Fencing - \$14,875.00. She stated Garrett Fencing of Dublin, Georgia was the low bidder in the amount of \$14,390.00, and money is included in the SPLOST budget for the soccer projects.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion to award the bid to the low bidder, Garrett Fencing of Dublin, Georgia, in the amount of \$14,390.00. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Bids for Resurfacing J.F. Hall Road

Finance Director Linda Zarkowsky presented a bid summary for resurfacing 3.58 miles of J.F. Hall Road. She reported legal notice of bid solicitation was published, and information was also mailed to four (4) contractors that do this type project. Ms. Zarkowsky stated the County felt additional items were needed for this project, and \$74,255 in additional items had been included in the bid requirements. She reported there are only a few contractors that are certified to work on DOT projects, and one (1) bid was received from Reeves Construction Company in the amount of \$453,156.14.

Ms. Zarkowsky stated the Department of Transportation will provide funding in the amount of \$219,110.93 which is fifty percent (50%) of the base contract amount. County funding for the project will be \$234,045.21.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to award the bid to Reeves Construction of Macon, Georgia, in the amount of \$453,156.14. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Bids for Aerial Platform Fire Truck

Chief Smokey Veal presented bid information for a 70' single axle aerial platform truck for the Fire Department. Chief Veal stated this aerial platform truck will serve as the primary truck for Central State Hospital, and it will have approximately the same reach as the 85' snorkel truck that is being replaced because parts are no longer available for repair on the old truck. He reported there are only a few companies that make this smaller truck with a platform which he felt is necessary for safety reasons.

Chief Veal stated one (1) bid was received; it was submitted by Sutphen Corporation in the amount of \$681,257.00. He said funds are budgeted in the SPLOST for the truck.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to award the bid to the Sutphen Corporation the amount of \$681,257.00. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Resolution Regarding De-Annexations from the City of Milledgeville

Assistant County Manager Ralph McMullen presented a Resolution from the City of Milledgeville requesting County approval of the de-annexation of nine (9) tracts of land from the corporate boundaries of the City of Milledgeville. He reported that in 2004 there was forced annexation of these parcels, and the respective property owners filed suit against the City. The City is proposing to de-annex the nine (9) tracts of property as a means to resolve this annexation matter.

County Attorney David Waddell stated the Commissioners were opposed to the annexation of the property when first notified in 2004. He had reviewed the Resolution for de-annexation as presented.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented for de-annexation of property from the City into the County. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the Resolution is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages _____ and _____.

Appointment to the Board of Department of Family & Children Services

County Manager Joan Minton stated the Board received a letter from the Department of Family & Children Services requesting the reappointment of Dr. James Hatcher to their Board for a five year term expiring June 30, 2012.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion to reappoint Dr. James Hatcher to the Baldwin County Board of Family and Children Services for a five year term expiring June 30, 2012. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Appointments to the Baldwin County Hospital Authority

County Manager Joan Minton stated a letter was received from Jean Aycock, President/CEO of Oconee Regional Medical Center requesting ratification of two members of the Hospital Authority: Mr. Andy Cowart and Ms. Quay Hurt-Fuller.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to appoint Mr. Andy Cowart and Ms. Quay Hurt-Fuller to serve on the Baldwin County Hospital Authority. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Purchase of Services for Juvenile Offenders Program

Finance Director Linda Zarkowsky presented a grant renewal in the amount of \$5,000 for Purchase of Services for Juvenile Offenders Program which provides services such as counseling and psychological evaluations for juveniles. She reported this is a one hundred percent (100%) grant award, and it is the same amount as the previous year's award.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion to accept the Purchase of Services grant award in the amount of \$5,000. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Roads for Acceptance into County Road System

Assistant County Manager Ralph McMullen stated roads in Phase III of High Point Subdivision, Tyler Court, Riley Circle and the extension of High Point Road, are being presented for acceptance into the County road system. He reported these roads have been inspected, and the County has the required bonds.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to accept Tyler Court, Riley Circle and the extension of High Point Road into the County road system. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Accounts Payable List Dated October 9, 2007

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable list dated October 9, 2007. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion that the Board of Commissioners meeting be adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Epps, Sr.
Chairman

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk