

**Baldwin County Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
August 2, 2016  
6:00 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Baldwin County Commissioners was held Tuesday, August 2, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., Baldwin County Courthouse, Suite 319, 121 North Wilkinson Street, Milledgeville, Georgia with Chair Sammy Hall presiding.

Members Present: Emily C. Davis  
Tommy French  
Sammy Hall  
Henry Craig  
John Westmoreland

Also Present: David McRee  
Ralph McMullen  
Dawn Hudson  
Cindy Cunningham

Call to Order

Chair Sammy Hall called the August 2, 2016 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chair Emily c. Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2016, Public Hearing and Regular Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Airport Layout Plan

Airport Committee Chair Jim Wolfgang presented an update on federal and State funding for the airport projects. He requested approval from the Board to confirm the County's intent to proceed with and fund the Airport Layout Plan Update for the Airport. The Airport Layout Plan is updated every five years with a major revision every ten years. The last Baldwin County Plan was done in 2000 so the time is approaching for a major revision.

Mr. Wolfgang reported that each year the federal government through the GDOT provides \$150,000 per airport for projects based on the Capital Improvement Plan. He reported a pre-application concerning the Airport Layout Plan has been submitted, and any funds not used in a specific year roll over; however, due to the magnitude of the current project, Baldwin County does not currently have a rollover.

Mr. Wolfgang stated a letter of intent must be sent to the Georgia Department of Transportation requesting state funding assistance in the amount of 50% of the eligible nonfederal share of the project with a contract date of October 2016.

He requested approval from the Board to submit the Letter of Intent and authorization for the Chair sign the letter to GDOT that would commit the County's share of \$4,000. The total plan is \$80,000 with \$72,000 federal funding, \$4,000 State funding and \$4,000 local funding.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to approve the submission of the Letter of Intent to GDOT, to authorize the Chair to execute the letter, and to commit the local share of funding in the amount of \$4,000. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Wolfgang presented and update on the apron expansion and fuel farm projects.

### Landfill Closure Proposal

Engineer Robbie Blanton of Oasis Consulting Services presented a timeline for closure activities at the Landfill in order to meet conditions of the EPD Consent Order. He discussed the proposal and Task Order # 10 for Turnkey Design-Build services of Phase 3 Alternate Final Cover. He explained an alternate type closure has been identified, and he is working with EPD to obtain necessary permits. He stated the price of ClosureTurf components is good for sixty days from July 12, 2016 and the price for installation of materials is good for 30 days from July 8, 2016. After these dates, Oasis would need to provide new quotes for supply and installation of the Alternate Final Cover system. Mr. Blanton presented the proposal for the Turnkey Design-Build services in the amount of \$2,740,187.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to approve the proposal as submitted for Oasis Consulting Services in the amount of \$2,740,187 as presented for Turnkey Design-Build services at the Landfill. Vice Chair Emily C. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the proposal and task order is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Grant Awards

Finance Director Dawn Hudson presented three grant awards for the Board's consideration.

FY 17 5311 Rural Transportation Program – Operating / Capital Contract  
Operating Budget: \$93,933 - \$46,966 - 50% federal funding & \$46,967 – 50% local match. Capital Budget: \$44,165 - \$35,332 - 80% federal funding & \$4,416 – 10% each state funding / 10% local match.

Vice Chair Emily C. Davis made a motion to accept the FY 5311 Transportation Operating and Capital Contract as presented and to provide required local match. Commissioner Tommy French seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: Davis, French, Craig, Westmoreland

Nay: Hall

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) – Adult Program - \$115,481.  
Dislocated Worker Program - \$167,295. Baldwin County is the recipient of the grants and receives an administrative fee for both programs which are managed by the Middle Georgia Consortium.

Vice Chair Emily C. Davis made a motion to accept the WIOA Adult Program and Dislocated Worker Program grants as presented. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### Update on Drug and Alcohol Policy for Transit Program

Fire Chief Troy Reynolds presented an update to the Drug and Alcohol Policy for the Transit Program. He stated the policy must be periodically revised according to DOT requirements. He stated DOT has reviewed the update and approved it for the Board's consideration.

Vice Chair Emily C. Davis made a motion to approve the Drug and Alcohol Policy for the Transit Program as presented. Commissioner Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the Policy is available at the Transit Program office and the Baldwin County Commissioners office.

### Adoption of 2016 Millage Rate

Finance Director Dawn Hudson presented the County Millage Rate Certification for the Tax Year 2016. She stated all legal requirements have been met for advertising the current year's tax digest and levy along with the history of the digest and levy for the past five years. She stated legal notice has been given that the County tax levy would be presented for adoption at this meeting. She presented, for the Board's consideration, the County Tax Levy for 2016 of 9.85 mills.

She reported the Board of Education has adopted a millage rate of 17.06. She stated that although Commissioners do not have to approve the BOE levy, they must accept the BOE Resolution for inclusion in the total levy for collection.

Ms. Hudson stated that the Tax Commissioner will have adequate time to deliver the digest package to the Department of Revenue for approval so that tax bills can be mailed for a due date of November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Vice Chair Emily C. Davis made a motion to adopt the millage rate of 9.85 mills for the County Tax Levy for 2016 as presented and to accept the Board of Education Resolution for an education tax of 17.06 mills. Commissioner Tommy French seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the County Millage Rate Certification for Tax Year 2016 and a copy of the Baldwin County Board of Education Resolution are herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Appointments to the Department of Family and Children Services Board

Chair Sammy Hall reported letters were received from the DFCS Director regarding three vacancies on the Board of Family and Children Services. These vacancies are created by the term expirations of Mrs. Eva Stevenson, Mrs. Mel Jackson and Dr. Janet Harrison on June 30, 2016. Appointed individuals will serve a five year term beginning July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2021.

Commissioner Tommy French made a motion to reappoint Mrs. Eva Stevenson, Mrs. Mel Jackson and Dr. Janet Harrison to the Board of Family and Children Services for the term July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2021. Commissioner Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### Recommendation from Recreation Committee

Commissioner Tommy French presented information regarding a request for funding for assistance with expenses for the 12 & U Boys team to go to the National competition. Mr. French reported a request for \$5,000 has been received from the Football Association. Due to concussion laws, new regulations for helmets have been implemented, and all helmets must be certified every two years to ensure the safety of all football participants. He stated the Recreation Department does not furnish helmets, and registration fees do not cover costs to have regulation helmets.

Commissioner Craig stated the County previously provided funding in the amount of \$1,900 to assist with expenses for the Girls Championship team; therefore, he recommended providing the same amount, \$1,900, for allowable expenses to assist the 12 & U Boys in going to Nationals.

He also recommended that the County assist the Football Association for allowable expenses in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 over the amount of collected registration fees. He explained that when the Association expends money over the registration fees that are collected, the County will supplement this cost up to \$3,000. The Association must be accountable to the County for funding by providing reports of fees received and expenditures made.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to provide \$1,900 to the Boys 12 & U Championship team to assist with expenses to National and to provide assistance to the

Football Association in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 for allowable expenses over registration fees collected by the Association. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### Old Business

Commissioner Westmoreland asked for an update on the pavilion. Bill McNair reported it should be completed within the next three weeks. He also asked for information on the assisted living facility that is being planned for construction. County Manager McMullen stated the permits have been acquired by the developer.

Commissioner Davis stated the swimming pool should be added back to the list of projects for the Recreation Department.

### New Business

Commissioner Craig stated he and Chair Hall will be meeting with Sheriff Masee and County staff to discuss litter and blight in the County. He stated he hopes to include more funding in the budget for litter control. The community service group will not pick up trash five days per week which should help with the litter along the roadways.

### County Manager's Report

County Manager Ralph McMullen stated DOT has given approval for the transit program to be provided by a private contractor, and the County will be moving forward with getting bids for a provider.

### Public Comment Period for Non-Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

### Adjournment

Vice Chair Emily C. Davis made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sammy Hall  
Chair

Cynthia K. Cunningham  
County Clerk

