



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners
Regular Scheduled Meeting
August 8th, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
Jury Assembly Room
Third Floor**

OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING:

Present in meeting were Chairman Jamie Hensley, Post One Commissioner Johnny Scarce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn D. Doss was present for the meeting.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Pastor Sam Hamby. The pledge was led by Post Two Commissioner Scarce.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to amend the agenda for Item #7 to be added to the agenda. Said Item #7 being Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff for Purchase of Equipment. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item #2: Board Action on approval of the July 25th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the July 25th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action – Director of Recreation Eddie O’Neal – Award of Bid for the Fannin County Recreation Complex at Blue Ridge City Park. Mr. O’Neal approached the Board regarding the Bid Proposals and made the recommendation to the Board to award the project of the Fannin County Recreation Complex at the Blue Ridge City Park to Integrated Properties, LLC. The amount of the bid was \$3,697,000 which was \$141,000 cheaper than the other bid proposals. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the award of the Bid Proposal to Integrated Properties, LLC in the amount of \$3,697,000. Motion made first by Commissioner Scarce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #4: Board Discussion/Action – Reappointment of Lisa Hood to the Economic Development Authority Board: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the appointment of Lisa Hood to the Economic Development Authority Board. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action: Fannin County Sheriff Dane Kirby – Purchase of Equipment. Sheriff Kirby approached the Board with an estimate from Law and Order Technology, LLC for 18 computers for patrol cars. The first estimate from First Net was in the amount of \$666.00 for the Voice & Data Services monthly fee. Sheriff Kirby stated this would be a General Fund expenditure. The second estimate from Law and Order Technology, LLC was in the amount of \$47,463.16. The third estimate was from Eagle Advantage Solutions, Inc. which consisted of the Eagle Remote Connection for all equipment in the amount of \$6,790.00. The final estimate was from Kenwood Communications/Mountain Communications in the following amounts: for 18 Lind Computer Chargers \$2,502.00 & 18 A-Mod Console Mounted Computer Stands \$8,802.00. Sheriff Kirby stated the fees for the recurring monthly fees would be budgeted in the Sheriff’s Office General Fund. Sheriff Kirby stated the total amount for the equipment was \$65,354.00 and requested the total to be paid from Public Safety SPLOST. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the purchases of equipment & to be paid from Public Safety SPLOST. Motion made first by Commissioner Scarce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action – Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement to Adopting a Proposed and Tentative FY2023 General M & O (Maintenance & Operation) Millage Rate for Fannin County. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement to Adopting

a Proposed and Tentative FY2023 General M & O Millage Rate for Fannin County. Proposed Rate being 2.757. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Items #7: Board Discussion/Action – Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff – Purchase of Equipment. Mr. Ratcliff approached the Board regarding the purchase of a Bandit RXP Chipper in the amount of \$68,900.00 from Mason Tractor Company. Mr. Ratcliff explained this chipper would replace the old chipper which was purchased in the early 1990's and explained to the Board how this was a need due to the extensive number of trees being down across the county due to recent storms. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the chipper in the amount of \$68,900.00 to be paid out of Public Works SPLOST. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Public Commentary was made by Charles Donaldson.

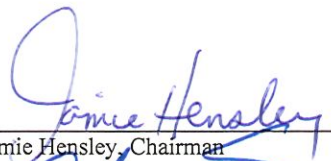
Public Commentary closed at 6:26 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Chairman Hensley stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

CLOSING:

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:27 p.m.



Jamie Hensley, Chairman



Johnny Scarce, Post One Commissioner



Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:



Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk