

Fannin County Board of Commissioners Regular Scheduled Meeting February 27th, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m. Jury Assembly Room Third Floor

OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING:

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

Item #1: Invocation was led by Commissioner Patterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Post One Commissioner Johnny Scearce.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to amend the agenda to add Item# 8 as the Board Discussion/Action on the Moratorium on Intensive Land Uses. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item #2: Board approval of the minutes from the February 13th, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the February 13th, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from Phillip & Carol Noyes to place a garage 14 feet from the edge of Price Road and 19 feet from the centerline. Only location for garage. This item was tabled from the previous meeting. No party was present for the variance request. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the variance request. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #4: Board Discussion/Action – Variance Request from Anclar Holdings, LLC to build UTV garage 10 feet from the edge of River Bend Lane. UTV Garage 28 x 20. No party was present for variance request. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to table the variance request to the next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting to allow time for the Building Department to visit site. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action: Resolution to Reappoint Janie Bearden to the Tax Assessor's Board for another four-year term. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to reappoint Janie Bearden to the Tax Assessor's Board for another four-year term. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action: Fannin County Sheriff Dane Kirby & Major Keith Bosen regarding Courthouse Camera System up-grade & Secure Door Installation. Sheriff Kirby and Major Bosen approached the Board to present quotes on equipment for the Jail and Courthouse. The quotes were for two companies for the Jail Locks and Hinges Replacement/Repair Upgrade. The first quote was from MTS Montgomery Technology Systems, LLC in the amount of \$238,900.00 and the second quote was from Willo Products Company, this proposal was quoted in phases due to the span of project. Proposal I was in the amount of \$99,980.00, Proposal II was in the amount of \$86,730.00, Proposal III was in the amount of \$61,175.00, and Proposal IV was in the amount of \$98,979.00. Major Bosen recommended the Willo Products Company based upon door hinges being stronger and the locks provide tamper resistance compared to the MTS Company using same locks and previously used with up-graded corrections hinges. Chairman Hensley conferred with County Attorney Lynn Doss as to approving the project in phases. Ms. Doss stated it would be appropriate to allow in phases. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the quote from Willo Products Company in the total amount phases being \$346,864.00 being paid from ARPA Funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Major Bosen presented the next quote for the Intercoms and Controls Up-Grade of the Detention Center. The first quote was in the full amount of \$77,300.00 from MTS Montgomery Technology Systems, LLC, the second quote was in the amount of \$65,628.00 from Ico Tech, Inc., and the third quote was from Willo

Products Company in the amount of \$127,109.00. Major Bosen recommended MTS Systems due to not requiring servers and work independently from each other. Also, less equipment on the desk with MTS equipment with upgraded software. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the quote from MTS in the total amount of \$77,300.00 to be paid from ARPA funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Also, Major Bosen presented to the Board three quotes for Courthouse Cameras and Door Security Locks. The first quote was from MTS Technology Systems, LLC in the amount of \$353,200.00, the second quote was from Blue Ridge Surveillance in the amount of \$92,291.49 and the third quote was in the amount of \$125,487.08. Major Bosen recommended the quote from Blue Ridge Surveillance based on the fact they offered unlimited key fob/cards and free maintenance for life. The system also operates on a cloud-based system with no reprogramming. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the quote from Blue Ridge Surveillance in the amount of \$92,291.49 to be paid from Admin SPLOST funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #7: Board Discussion/Action: Board Discussion/Action – Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff regarding purchase of equipment. Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff approached the Board to present the quote in the amount of \$187,439.73 on a New WA200-8 Wheel Loader from Tractor & Equipment Company. Mr. Ratcliff stated this equipment was put out for bid through Sourcewell. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the purchase in the amount of \$187,439.73 to be paid with SPLOST funds. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ratcliff also presented to the Board a quote from Johnson's Paving of Blue Ridge, Georgia to construct a handicap ramp at the entrance of the Courthouse which would be ADA Compliant. The quote was in the amount of \$26,870.00 for the project. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the project in the amount of \$26,870.00 to be paid from SPLOST funds. Motion made first by Commissioner Scearce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Amended Item #8: Board Discussion/Action: Moratorium on the Intensive Land Uses. Chairman Hensley stated the issue with the Land Development Ordinance being the most involved ordinance. Chairman Hensley stated there would be a Workshop held on March 7th from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to extend the Moratorium on the Building/Land Development until April 10th, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

No Public Commentary was made. Public Commentary closed at 6:32 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Chairman Hensley stated there was a need for Executive Session. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to enter into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to come out of Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley stated the topic discussed was Real Estate. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to donate .021 acres of Fannin County Property Parcel #6 Madola Road to GDOT for the Project #: 0015653 (Madola Bridge). Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

CLOSING:

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Sherri I. Walker County Clerk