

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, May 12, 2020

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Demarcus Marshall
Commissioner Joyce E. Evans
Commissioner Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker
Commissioner Clay Griner

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Due to social distancing measures related to COVID-19, a work session was not held.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Orenstein

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Orenstein

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the regular meeting of April 28, 2020. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

FOR CONSIDERATION

FY 2021 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application

EMA Director, Ashley Tye, presented a request on behalf of Juvenile Court Judge James Council in the amount of \$330,854.00, in Criminal Justice Coordinating Council grant funds. Mr. Tye stated that if awarded, Judge Council will use the money to fund evidence based diversion programs for the youth in his court. Chairman Slaughter recognized the presence of Judge Council and thanked him for his attendance. Vice Chairman Marshall made a motion to approve the grant application request, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Georgia Department of Transportation - Transportation Investment Act of 2010 Project Agreement (TIA) for Old US 41 Widening

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the item. Mr. Fletcher stated the GDOT has reviewed and approved the Old US 41 widening project. Vice Chairman Marshall questioned the length of the project, to which Mr. Fletcher replied twelve to eighteen months. Commissioner Orenstein asked if the Clyattstone project would be completed prior to the beginning of the project in question, to which Mr. Fletcher replied yes. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, Vice Chairman Marshall second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Adopt Resolution accepting infrastructure for Two Oaks at Bemiss

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the item. Mr. Fletcher stated engineering staff have completed the final inspection of the project, adding the work is substantially complete. Commissioner Griner made a motion to approve the resolution as presented, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

BID

Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Request for Proposal

EMA Director, Ashley Tye, presented the item. Mr. Tye stated that Lowndes County was awarded funding from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency in September of 2019 for the purpose of funding the completion of an updated hazard mitigation plan. Mr. Tye further stated staff has reviewed proposals from parties interested in assisting with the development of the plan. Vice Chairman Marshall made a motion to award the project to the Southern Regional Commission in the amount of \$20,000.00, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

REPORTS - County Manager

No additional information was reported.

CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Griner second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the regular meeting at 5:41 p.m.