

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
WORK SESSION
Monday, September 25, 2023

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Mark Wisenbaker
Commissioner Joyce Evans
Commissioner Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Clay Griner

Commissioner Demarcus Marshall was not in attendance.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session of September 11, 2023 and the regular session of September 12, 2023. No revisions to the minutes were requested.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Quiet Pines Golf Course Ezgo Golf Cart Lease Agreement

Community Development Director, Rachel Thrasher, presented the item. Mrs. Thrasher stated Quiet Pines Golf Course has twenty-two semi-operational carts for use, aging between two - nine years old. Rather than replace the carts through purchase, the request is to proceed with a lease agreement with EZGO carts which will cover maintenance, warranty and ensure a full working fleet. The lease agreement is for forty-eight (48) months and will be financed through Wells Fargo Bank with a monthly payment of \$4,100.00 and an annual fee of \$50,160.00. Commissioner Griner asked how many carts? Mrs. Thrasher answered a quantity of thirty-eight (38) carts, which is what the cart barn is built to hold. Commissioner Orenstein asked if there was any value to the old carts and if the carts were owned by the County? Mrs. Thrasher responded the County does own the carts and possibly the carts could be sold on GovDeals. Vice Chairman Wisenbaker asked if there was a trade-in option available through the company? Mrs. Thrasher answered they will not take these carts since the new carts will have lithium batteries and the current carts are older with Yamaha batteries.

Mental Health Model Resolution for ACCG

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) has forwarded the resolution to all counties in Georgia with mental health being a conversation with the upcoming session of the General Assembly. As part of that, the ACCG is asking every county in the state to adopt this resolution, to show a collected and consolidated support to hopefully move the General Assembly in a good direction the next session. Vice Chairman Wisenbaker asked what are the improvements? Mrs. Dukes responded we don't have any details as of yet, more information will be forth coming. Vice Chairman Wisenbaker stated he is hoping for relief