

Lowndes County Civic Center-Hurricane Helene Repairs Bid

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the Lowndes County Civic Center sustained substantial damage during Hurricane Helene. Staff worked with Crews Engineering to inspect damage, review structural analysis, and complete and develop a plan and bid package. He stated the bid includes removing the existing roof panels that remain, removing the wood purlins and installing metal purlins, installing a new metal roof, removing the drop ceiling that remains, installing insulation beneath the new roof, and repairing the damaged lights. The project was advertised for bids, a pre-bid was conducted on June 15, 2025, and bids were opened July 30, 2025. Staff received three (3) bids. Kellerman Construction submitted the low bid in the amount of \$318,030.00, 3D Construction Services submitted a bid in the amount of \$381,565.00, and Standard Contractors submitted a bid in the amount of \$440,481.00. Mr. McLeod stated this is covered under insurance coverage from the hurricane. Commissioner Smith asked if this metal roof will be able to withstand higher winds than the last roof. Mr. McLeod responded yes.

REPORTS - County Manager

County Manager, Paige Dukes, asked to get photos of the commissioners with the 811 and EMA proclamations. Mrs. Dukes then requested an executive session for attorney-client privilege regarding potential or pending litigation settlement or claims. At 9:02 a.m. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of potential or pending litigation settlement or claims, second by Commissioner Marshall. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:32 a.m. Chairman Slaughter reconvened the work session with no additional information being discussed. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to adjourn the work session meeting, second by Commissioner Orenstein. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the meeting.