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**MINUTES**

**TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**DATE:** JANUARY 12, 2023

**TIME:** 6:00 PM

**PLACE:** TERRELL COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING

**COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF PRESENT:** CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE, III, VICE CHAIRMAN LARRON COPELAND, COMMISSIONERS ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, EDDIE OWENS, ADMINISTRATOR BILL SAWYER, CLERK SANDAR O’STEAN, DEPUTY CLERK MECHELLE MILLER, KENNA PATE, MANDY COOPER

**OTHERS PRESENT:** SONDRA WALKER, JIM EDGE, PAUL RAKEL, WARDEN RICHARD KILBY, LAURA COPELAND, MARGARET HALBROOK, GARY MCNEELY, JTB

**CALL TO ORDER:** CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE, III

**PRAYER:** CHAIRMAN GAMBLE

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION AND EDDIE OWENS GAVE THE SECOND. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**APPROVAL MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2022 REGULAR MEETING:** BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION AND ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**CHAIRMANS REPORT:** CHAIRMAN GAMBLE PRESENTED SANDRA WALKER WITH AN AWARD RECOGNIZING HER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE COUNTY.

**CLERK’S REPORT:** MECHELLE MILLER GAVE BANK STATEMENTS AND VENDOR ACTIVITY FOR THE DECEMBER 2022.

**EMS/911/EMA REPORT:** BO HAMBY SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT.

**EXTENSION SERVICE REPORT:** MARGARET HALBROOK GAVE 4-H REPORT

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:** SHAWN O’CONNER-VEAZIE REPORTED DECEMBER ACTIVITIES OF THE CHAMBER AND UPCOMING EVENTS PLANNED.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT:** BILL SAWYER GAVE REPORT.

**WARDEN’S REPORT:** RICHARD KILBY GAVE THE REPORT FOR THE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** CHIEF HARVEY SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT.

**DELINQUENT GARBAGE REPORT:** MECHELLE MILLER GAVE THE DECEMBER REPORT ON GARBAGE BILLING AND COLLECTIONS. BILL SAWYER REPORTED THAT EXPRESS DISPOSAL WILL BE INCREASING RATES FOR GARBAGE PICKUP. MR. SAWYER MADE THE RECOMMENDATION THAT WE KEEP CURRENT GARBAGE RATE AT THIS TIME WITH NO INCREASE TO CITIZENS. LARRON COPELAND MADE THE MOTION AND ERNEST JOHNSON MADE THE 2ND. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**SHERIFF’S REPORT:** SHERIFF BOWENS SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT.

**RECREATION DEPT:** BILL SAWYER / EDDIE OWENS – REC DEPT PROPOSAL READ AND DISCUSSED. ERNEST JOHNSON MADE THE MOTION AND BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**TIMBER / PLANNING / ZONING:** MARTHA ANN COE SUBMITTED WRITTEN REPORT.

**OLD BUSINESS:** AIR EVAC: BILL SAWYER MADE RECOMMENDATION TO OFFER PLAN TO EMPLOYEES THROUGH PAYROLL DEDUCTION AT $6.00 PER MONTH FOR A FAMILY IF INTERESTED IN ENROLLING (VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION). BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION AND ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND.

**NEW BUSINESS:** LMIG: BILL SAWYER AND CHAD GRIFFIN ANNOUNCED BID OPENING FEBRUARY 14, 2023(2022 & 2023 LMIG PROJECTS).

WATER DAMAGE REPORT: BILL SAWYER REPORTED DAMAGE ESTIMATES AND INSURANCE INFORMATION. PROPOSAL MADE TO USE QUALIFIED INMATE LABOR FOR CLEANUP AND REPAIRS. REPAIRS UNABLE TO BE COMPLETED BY INMATE LABOR WILL BE BID OUT.

EDDIE OWENS MADE THE MOTION AND BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND.

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**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:** MECHELLE MILLER, DEPUTY CLERK

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**CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE, III**

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**VICE CHAIRMAN LARRON COPELAND**

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**ERNEST JOHNSON**

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**BRAD STAFFORD**

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**EDDIE OWENS**

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**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR BILL SAWYER**