

**MINUTES**  
**TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

**TIME: 6:00 P.M.**

**PLACE: TERRELL COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUILDING**

**COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF PRESENT: CHAIRMAN WILBUR T. GAMBLE, III, VICE-CHAIRMAN CRIS WEBB, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, ATTORNEY JIMMY SKIPPER, ASSISTANT SANDRA O'STEAN**

**PRESENT: BO HAMBY, SETH MCALLISTER, GREG WELSH, KENNY DAVIS, CHAD ROBERSON, WERHNER WASHINGTON, EMMETT GRISWOLD, PAULINE HOLLEY, REVEREND EZEKIEL HOLLEY, DAVID MARTIN, GARY MCNEELEY, PAUL RAKEL**

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

**PRAYER – REVEREND DAVID MARTIN**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA – BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 AGENDA AS STATED. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2018 REGULAR MEETING AND AUGUST 14, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING TO ADOPT FYE 2019 BUDGET WITH CORRECTION – LUCIUS HOLLOWAY MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 7, 2018 REGULAR MEETING AND THE MINUTES WITH NOTED CORRECTION OF THE AUGUST 14, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING TO ADOPT FYE 2019 BUDGET. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – CHAIRMAN GAMBLE REPORTED THE BUDGET LOOKS GOOD AT THIS TIME AS THE FISCAL YEAR ENDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2018. HE ALSO STATED THE COUNTY WAS NOT EXPECTING TO DO A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE AT THE BANK THIS YEAR. MR. GAMBLE SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THE TAX COMMISSIONER HAD ALL THE INFORMATION NEEDED TO SEND THE TAX BILLS OUT SOON AND REVENUE WOULD BEGIN TO COME IN.**

**CLERK'S REPORT – THE AUGUST 2018 BANK BALANCES & EXPENDITURES, VENDOR ACTIVITY, FUEL REPORT, AND JAIL COUNT WERE PRESENTED BY SANDRA O'STEAN.**

**EMS/911 REPORT –BO HAMBY READ THE AUGUST 2018 EMS/911 REPORT.**

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT - A WRITTEN REPORT WAS SUBMITTED BY SAVANNAH HUGHES.**

**EXTENSION SERVICE REPORT – SETH MCALLISTER PRESENTED THE EXTENSION DEPARTMENT REPORT. HE REPORTED THE DEPARTMENT HAD PURCHASED A NISSAN TITON TRUCK FOR HIS USE AS EXTENSION AGENT AND HE WOULD NO LONGER RECEIVE TRAVEL STIPEND. HE ANNOUNCED THE EXTENSION OFFICE WAS CHANGING INTERNET SERVICE FROM WINDSTREAM TO MEDIACOM TO GET BETTER RATE AND SERVICE. MARGARET HALBROOK WAS ATTENDING AN ARCHERY PROGRAM MEETING.**

**WARDEN'S REPORT – THE WARDEN WAS NOT PRESENT.**

**ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT – CHAD ROBERSON SUBMITTED WRITTEN REPORTS AND GAVE UPDATE ON ROAD CONDITIONS AND EQUIPMENT STATUS.**

**DELINQUENT GARBAGE REPORT – THE REPORT WAS GIVEN BY SANDRA O'STEAN.**

**DELINQUENT TAX REPORT – A WRITTEN REPORT WAS SUBMITTED BY SHERIFF JOHN BOWENS. HE STATED \$114,000.00 PLUS WAS COLLECTED FOR AUGUST 2018.**

SHERIFF'S REPORT – WRITTEN REPORTS FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2018 WERE SUBMITTED BY JOHN BOWENS.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT – A WRITTEN REPORT WAS SUBMITTED.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

LOCAL MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT (LMIG) 2018 PROJECT BIDS- POSSIBLE USE OF SPLOST FUNDS TO OFFSET SHORTFALL AND DISCUSSION OF ELIMINATING JOHN MARTIN ROAD – BRAD STAFFORD SAID HE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH CHARLENE FARMER REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF USING THE SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION FUNDS AND THERE WAS A LITTLE CONCERN TO DO THIS. HE SAID RATHER THAN MAYBE HAVING TO DO A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE TO MAKE UP THE SHORTFALL BETWEEN LMIG AVAILABLE FUNDS AND THE COST SUBMITTED BY JIM BOYD CONSTRUCTION, THE BOARD SHOULD PUT OFF IMPROVEMENTS TO JOHN MARTIN ROAD. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO DELETE JOHN MARTIN ROAD FROM THE 2018 IMPROVEMENT LIST AND TO DO ONLY THE WORK THAT THE COUNTY HAD THE FUNDING TO DO. HE ADDED JOHN MARTIN ROAD WOULD BE PLACED IN ENTIRETY OF 4 MILES ON THE 2019 LMIG PROJECT LIST. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED. PAUL RAKEL STATED JIM BOYD WOULD BEGIN IMPROVEMENT WORK THIS WEEK. MR. RAKEL URGED THE BOARD TO SUBMIT A LIST OF ROADS FOR IMPROVEMENT FOR 2019 EARLY. HE ALSO REPORTED THE APPROVED FUNDS WITH THE COUNTY MATCH IS \$538,818.00 FOR 2019 LMIG.

ONSOLVE PROGRAM – CODE RED WARNING SYSTEM - LUCIUS HOLLOWAY MADE A MOTION TO NOT GO FORTH WITH THE PROGRAM FOR TERRELL COUNTY. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

BROOKSVILLE ROAD – REQUEST FOR SPEED LIMIT SIGNS AND STATE LAWS REGARDING SEMI TRUCKS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS – ATTORNEY SKIPPER PRESENTED INFORMATION HE RESEARCHED REGARDING ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMIT AND/OR NO THROUGH TRAFFIC SIGNS ON A COUNTY ROAD. THE COUNTY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE EXTENSIVE SURVEYS CONDUCTED BY CERTIFIED ENGINEERS IN ORDER TO PLACE SIGNS REDUCING SPEED LIMIT. CRIS WEBB CONCURRED HIS FINDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT THE COST FOR THE STUDY IS FROM \$5,000.00 TO \$15,000.00. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION NOT TO PLACE SPEED LIMITATIONS AND NOT TO RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC ON BROOKSVILLE ROAD AND ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR TERRELL COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT – CHAD ROBERSON REPORTED TERRELL COUNTY HAS 173 MILES OF PAVED ROADS, 186 MILES UNPAVED ROADS FOR A TOTAL OF 359 MILES. HE SAID ALMOST ALL OF THE UNPAVED ROADS NEED DITCHING AND ALL OF THE PAVED ROADS NEED THE OVERGROWTH CUT BACK. HE PRESENTED QUOTES THAT HE RECEIVED FOR THREE PIECES OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO GET THE ROAD WORK DONE. THE EQUIPMENT IS AN EXCAVATOR, A FRONT END LOADER, AND AN AXE TRACTOR. IT WOULD TAKE ONE TO TWO YEARS TO GET THE ROADS IN GOOD CONDITION. QUOTES WERE RECEIVED FROM BEARD EQUIPMENT COMPANY, FLINT EQUIPMENT COMPANY, TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT COMPANY, AND YANCEY. BRAD STAFFORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID FROM FLINT TO LEASE AN 2017 HITACHI ZAXIS 230 W-5 WHEELED EXCAVATOR, A 2018 ALAMO 6105E SAMURAI 22 AXE TRACTOR, AND A 2018 JOHN DEERE 524K-II FRONT LOADER FOR THREE YEARS (36 MONTHS) AT COST OF \$5,900.00 PER MONTH. THE EQUIPMENT

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CAN BE TURNED BACK IN AT THE END OF THE LEASE. THE COST FOR THE EQUIPMENT IS \$70,800.00 PER YEAR. THE AMOUNT APPROVED IN THE ROAD DEPARTMENT FYE2019 BUDGET TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT WAS \$100,000.00. ATTORNEY SKIPPER SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW THE LEASE PRIOR TO SIGNING. MR. STAFFORD ADDED TO HIS MOTION THAT THE ATTORNEY BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE DOCUMENTS BEFORE THEY ARE FINALIZED. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

LMIG 2019 PROJECT LIST OF COUNTY ROADS FOR IMPROVEMENT – JOHN MARTIN ROAD WAS DISCUSSED. CRIS WEBB SAID JOHN MARTIN SHOULD BE ENTIRELY RESURFACED IN 2019. PAUL RAKEL SAID THE COST TO RESURFACE THIS ROAD WHICH IS FOUR MILES WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$414,000.00. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD LOOK AT CONTINUING TO TAKE ROADS OFF THE LIST AND IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL ROADS TO PUT BACK ON THE LIST AND KEEP IT GOING AS A “LIVING” LIST. HE ADDED THAT IF THE TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (T-SPOST) IS VOTED INTO EFFECT, THE COUNTY SHOULD START RECEIVING REVENUES BY THE SPRING OF 2019 TO FUND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS. THE COMMISSIONERS WERE ASKED TO BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING NAMES OF ROADS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR IMPROVEMENTS. BRAD STAFFORD MADE THE MOTION TO TABLE THE 2019 LMIG TO THE OCTOBER 2018 MEETING. ERNEST JOHNSON GAVE THE SECOND. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD, ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE TO THE JAIL FROM ATLAS FENCE – ERNEST JOHNSON MADE A MOTION TO RATIFY THE PAYMENT OF THE FEBRUARY 2018 INVOICE FROM ATLAS FENCE FOR \$5,092.60 FOR REPAIR TO THE JAIL GATE. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE A SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ALBANY TECHNICAL COLLEGE'S ALBANY TRANSPORTATION ACADEMY CDL PROGRAM – DR. EMMETT GRISWOLD OF ALBANY TRANSPORTATION ACADEMY, ANTHONY PARKER PRESIDENT OF ALBANY TECHNICAL COLLEGE, WERHNER WASHINGTON PLANT MANAGER OF PROCTOR & GAMBLE PRESENTED DETAILS OF THE COLLEGE'S CDL PROGRAM. THEY ASKED THE COUNTY TO ASSIST IN PLACING BROCHURES EXPLAINING THE PROGRAM AROUND IN THE COUNTY.

APPROVE RESOLUTION UPDATING AND AUTHORIZING 9-1-1 CHARGES ON PREPAID WIRELESS SERVICES AND RESOLUTION FOR 9-1-1 CHARGES OTHER THAN PREPAID WIRELESS SERVICES - ERNEST JOHNSON MADE THE MOTION TO ADOPT BOTH RESOLUTIONS AND HAVE THE CHAIRMAN SIGN THE DOCUMENTS. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

RECOGNITION OF MARY ELLEN HARNAGE FOR 20 YEARS SERVICE TO TERRELL COUNTY – CHAIRMAN GAMBLE PRESENTED A PLAQUE TO MARY ELLEN HARNAGE FOR HER 20 YEARS OF SERVICE TO TERRELL COUNTY IN THE TAX OFFICE.

APPROVE DATE OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 FOR SPECIAL CALLED MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING THE TAX MILLAGE RATE – A MOTION TO SET SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 AT 1 P.M. AS THE DATE FOR A MEETING TO SET MILLAGE FOR TAXES AND OPEN BIDS AND AWARD CONTRACT FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO THE JAIL AND THE CORRECTION INSTITUTION WAS MADE BY ERNEST JOHNSON.

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CRIS WEBB GAVE A SECOND. ALL OF THOSE IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, CRIS WEBB, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND BRAD STAFFORD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

OPEN BIDS RECEIVED FROM THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PROPANE GAS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND AWARD BID – BIDS FOR PROPANE GAS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 WHICH HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM DRIVER'S PROPANE, MODERN GAS, AND THOMPSON GAS WERE OPENED. THOMPSON GAS WAS AWARDED THE BID BASED UPON THE FIVE PERCENT PREFERENCE GIVEN TO LOCAL VENDERS. THEIR BID WAS \$1.25 PER GALLON WITH NO REGULATORY OR DELIVERY FEES. ERNEST JOHNSON MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM THOMPSON GAS FOR PROPANE AT \$1.25 PER GALLON FOR FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2019. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, LUCIUS HOLLOWAY, AND CRIS WEBB. THE MOTION CARRIED.

OPEN BIDS RECEIVED FROM THE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL FOR INMATE HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO THE JAIL AND THE CORRECTION INSTITUTION FOR BUDGET YEAR 2019 – CHAIRMAN GAMBLE ASKED FOR A MOTION TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING. HE REPORTED THAT THE PUBLISHED PAID ADVERTISEMENT DID NOT STATE THE BIDS WOULD BE OPENED AT THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 MEETING. THE ADVERTISEMENT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT WEEK'S EDITION OF THE NEWSPAPER WILL STATE THE BIDS WILL BE OPENED AND EVALUATED AT THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING. BRAD STAFFORD REQUESTED A SCORE SHEET BE PREPARED TO PROPERLY EVALUATE THESE BIDS DUE TO THE COMPLEXITY OF THE PROPOSAL, THE NUMBER OF BIDS RECEIVED, AND THE COST OF THE SERVICES. THE MOTION TO TABLE THIS ITEM WAS MADE BY BRAD STAFFORD AND SECONDED BY CRIS WEBB. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE BRAD STAFFORD,

MOTION APPROVED TO ADJOURN MEETING – ERNEST JOHNSON MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BRAD STAFFORD GAVE THE SECOND. THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MEETING WERE ERNEST JOHNSON, BRAD STAFFORD, CRIS WEBB, AND LUCIUS HOLLOWAY. THE MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

*Sandra O'Stean*

SANDRA O'STEAN ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED BY:

*Wilbur T. Gamble III*

WILBUR T. GAMBLE, III CHAIRMAN

DATE:

9-11-18