

October 31, 2006
Regular Session
Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Jim King, Commissioner Raymon Thomas, Commissioner Phillip Music, Commissioner Harold Smith and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Gerald Holley, Attorney, was present.

Sherry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Wendell Dinkins led the prayer and pledge.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the advertising of Ordinance 06-12 which will create the position of county administrator in Holmes County. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-12)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss the Florida Legislature Funding Requests. There was no dissension from the public. Commissioner King made a motion to approve all requests with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Requests)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss Resolution 06-15 which is with the Life Management Center to refinance an existing debt. David Ringelstein, Attorney for Life Management, explained the resolution stating the county would not be liable for the loan in any way. There was no discussion from the public.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve Resolution 06-15 with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Resolution 06-15)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from September 25, 2006, Final Budget Hearing, October 10, 2006, Regular Session, and October 16, 2006, Special Session. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board opened sealed bids for a motor grader. The bids were as follows:

Thompson Tractor Co. \$ 87,184.00

ASC Construction Co. \$ 40,770.00

Flint Equipment Co. \$ 70,680.00

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the low bid from ASC Construction with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Bids)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board reviewed proposals from Construction Firms for renovations at the old county jail. The only proposal received was from Peter Brown Construction.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve Peter Brown for the old county jail project with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to advertise Ordinance 06-13 to amend the Holmes County Land Development Regulations. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-13)

Commissioner King made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Thomas to the Tri County Community Council Board of Directors for 2007. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to un-table the janitorial services bids with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the low bid from Donna Hendrix for the janitorial services for the Courthouse and other county offices. Commissioner Music offered a second. Commissioner Thomas discussed issues at the Courthouse that were not cleaned well. Donna Hendrix declined her bid and stated for the Board to go with the other bid. Commissioner Smith withdrew his motion and Commissioner Music withdrew his second. Commissioner King made a motion to go with the low bid, give a 60 day probationary period and that he would oversee their work. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Music made a motion to authorize Gerald Holley, Attorney, to prepare a contract for the janitorial services. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the lease for the parking lot located south of the courthouse. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Lease)

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Federally Funded Sub-Grant Agreement for the Emergency Management office. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

The Board discussed the need to have the fire extinguishers for all county offices inspected. The Board agreed to get quotes for this.

Amy Loflin, Project Management Specialist, discussed the need to get request for qualifications for engineering firms for site plan review on submittals for compliance with the Holmes County's Land Development Code. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to advertise for this with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Franchise Agreement with Waste Management. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

Joel Paul, Tri County Community Council Director, requested to piggy back on the Boards bid from Curt Miller Oil so they can purchase fuel for their Bonifay fleet. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve if the vendor agrees. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Ron Thomasson, Providential Group, addressed the Board regarding a Large Scale Land Use Amendment to the Holmes County Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the submittal of plans by the Providential Group to the Planning Commission. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to declare a list of items as surplus so they could be auctioned at a County sale to be held on November 9, 2006. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(List)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept title to a van donated by Tri County Community Council to the Ambulance service. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed a meeting date for the swearing in of Commissioners and reorganization. November 21, 2006 at 10:00 am was set for this meeting.

The Board discussed appointing Commissioner Music to the Library Administrative Board of Directors. Due to Commissioner Music not being able to vote on Library issues at the County Commissioner meetings, Susan Harris, Library, stated they would try to fill the vacancy with someone else.

Commissioner King made a motion to allow the county engineer to prepare a cost estimate to resurface Sand Path Road past the high school and fairgrounds. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas gave updates on the stream crossing project and the agriculture center progress.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve advertising for bids to get an air conditioning unit for the agriculture center. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve Gerald Holley to do a title search on the land where the tower is located that the county is considering purchasing. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to get quotes on a packer to be used on roads and for rocks. Mr. Smith also stated the money for the packer and the operator would be from FEMA. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

John Sieben, Hatch Mott MacDonald, gave an update on CR 160.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the application and certificate for payment form from Anderson Columbia on CR 160 in the amount of \$361,606.33. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Certificate for payment form)

Commissioner King made a motion to send a thank you letter to Washington Holmes Technical Center for the site work done at the D.D. Eldridge Park in Prosperity. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Music made a motion to move \$960 from NHVFD administrative money to the D.D. Eldridge Park budget. Commissioner Thomas offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Dennis Lee, Sheriff, addressed the Board with a bill from Walton County for the veterinary services

that euthanized several dogs at the home of Gary Tickamyer. Commissioner King made a motion to authorize Gerald Holley, Attorney, to place a lien on the property owned by Mr. Tickamyer. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to advertise bids for tabletops and showers at the jail. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

John Clark, Library, addressed the Board regarding a Bookmobile for Holmes County. Mr. Clark stated if the Library receives a grant to get the bookmobile that they would still need money for operating expenses. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to table this issue and get all the financial figures to look over. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Clayton Adkison, Attorney, addressed the Board regarding a flooding issue on the property of Darlene Williams. John Sieben, Hatch Mott MacDonald, described what he saw upon inspection of the property and stated nothing the County had done caused the flooding problem that Ms. Williams had. The Board stated they would take no action.

Darlene Williams, area resident, asked the Board to look into an easement on her property for Mr. & Mrs. Foster. The Board stated they would look into it.

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned.

Cody Taylor, Clerk

Earl Stafford, Chairman