November 25, 2024 Special Session Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met for a Special Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioners Clint Erickson, Wilmer Stafford, Mitch Johnson, and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Nate Nolin, County Attorney, and David Corbin, Project Director, were present.

Angie Purvee, Finance Director, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. David Corbin, Project Director, led the prayer and pledge.

The first agenda item was Agenda Additions and Deletions. The following changes were made to the posted agenda:

- County Coordinator Item B) Ride Control Kits for Backhoes deleted
- Commissioner Item A) Deacon Road Property added

Commissioner Johnson offered a motion to accept the amended agenda with Commissioner Wilmer Stafford offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.

David Corbin, Project Director, discussed closing the County offices Wednesday, November 27th and giving all County employees administrative leave in response to Governor DeSantis closing the state offices the Wednesday ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday. Discussion included that the administrative leave for the Road Department would go in effect Tuesday, November 26th due to that department's work schedule. Commissioner Wilmer Stafford offered a motion to give all County employees administrative leave Wednesday, November 27th for their regularly scheduled work hours. EMS administrative personnel are to be given eight hours of leave and EMS first responders who are unable to take the time off will be paid for ten hours of administrative leave for that day. Commissioner Johnson offered a second and the motion passed unanimously.

Nate Nolin, County Attorney, advised that the new commissioners have viewed the Government Efficiency Center EMS building site and requested approval of Contracting Unlimited's \$694,747 proposal to construct the building. Trey Cook, Contracting Unlimited, stated that inmate labor can be used to reduce costs. Commissioner Johnson offered a motion approving the proposal with Commissioner Wilmer Stafford offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Proposal)

Nate Nolin, County Attorney, presented the Holmes County Agricultural Center Governmental Efficiency Complex Project Contract Amendment 1. He stated that the amendment revises the scope of work and cost estimate for Contracting Unlimited to include the new EMS building. Commissioner

Johnson offered a motion approving the contract amendment with Commissioner Wilmer Stafford offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Amendment)

Nate Nolin, County Attorney, advised that no bids have been received in response to the Board's invitation to submit sealed bids for the Deacon Road property. The deadline for the bids is Monday, December 2nd. Discussion included having Real Estate Broker Mike Alvis list the property on the MLS and awarding Mr. Alvis a 3% commission for the exclusive listing. Attorney Nolin stated that the Board could reject any bids submitted, decide to extend the deadline, or set different parameters for the property transaction. Commissioner Johnson offered a motion to request Mr. Alvis list the Deacon Road property on the MLS. Commissioner Wilmer Stafford offered a second and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 a.m.