

The Tattnall County Commissioners met in Regular Session with the following Members present: Chairman Jackie C. Trim; Bobby Kennedy, Wayne Tatum, Edward Kennedy and GW Thompson. Commissioner Herbert (Bubba) Burkhalter was absent due to sickness.

Staff Present: County Manager Frank Murphy, County Clerk Christy D. McCall, Road Superintendent Kenny Hicks, County Engineer Dennis Odom, Sheriff Kyle Sapp, County Attorney Joseph McGovern, EMA Director Walt Rogers, EMS Director Dustin Dasher and Contract IT personnel Jamie Vickery.

Chairman Trim called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Associate Pastor Chuck Jonas of Reidsville Baptist Church gave the invocation.

There was a Motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes December 3, 2018
2. Appointments
3. Russell Rhoden – Construction & Maintenance Easement
4. Estate of Ralph Stewart – Construction & Maintenance Easement

Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

1. Chairman Trim stated the agenda would need to be amended for the following:
 - 1- Request from Windstream that item #8 – Hargray proposal be removed and delayed until the February meeting.
 - 2- Add Heart of Georgia Board member appointments. Must appoint three members from the County which is usually the County Chairman, a municipal representative (Currently Councilman Bernie Weaver) and a Managerial position within the County. (Currently County Manager Frank Murphy)

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to approve the amendment to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Chairman Trim presented the agenda for approval.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Ranger Kim Lynn of the Georgia Forestry Commission presented his annual report to the Board. His report included the following:

- 1) Forestry equipment – New bulldozer was recently purchased along with a new truck. Forestry has two trucks with Glennville fire and one truck with Collins fire that the Forestry leases.
- 2) Wildfires – 39 wildfires burned 185.09 acres in FY2018
- 3) Firebreaks & Burning assistance – Plowed 124.95 miles, harrowed 224.25 miles, assisted with 4180 acres of burn which included burn assistance to 43 landowners
- 4) Permits – Issued 5,553 burning permits in FY2018
- 5) Forest Management – Provided assistance involving 7611 acres for 132 management cases
- 6) Education programs – Programs at local school to include Smokey the Bear, Classrooms and City and Farm Day
- 7) Timber Sales – Total Timber Sales \$11,221,473.15 in FY 2018 which included timber tax revenue of \$311,092.90
- 8) GA Forestry Commission provides wildfire, rural fire assistance, presuppression, forest management and educational programs to the people of Tattnall County for 10 cent a forested acre-\$17,792.00

Tattnall County has four personnel in the Forestry department. When needed the agency will provide any necessary assistance from its total state resources.

Chairman Trim thanked Ranger Lynn for the presentation along with all that the Forestry does for the Country.

4. Chairman Trim then presented New beer and wine application for Sunvalley Angels, LLC DBA Dee Food Mart. Chairman Trim added that this was a new owner to an existing store within the county. Sheriff Sapp then reported that the owner did pass the background check.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the new beer and wine application for Sunvalley Angels, LLC DBA Dee Food Mart. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Chairman Trim next presented the reappointment of Tattnall County Industrial Development Authority Members. Members and officers are as follows:

Members:

Mayor James "Buddy" Collins	City of Cobbtown
Mayor Bobby Schwallenberg	City of Collins
Mayor Wanda Rogers	City of Manassas
Brenda C. Smith	Tattnall Chamber of Commerce
Derek Bland	Glennville Development Authority
Susan Thomas	Reidsville Development Authority
Will Smith	Reidsville Airport Authority
Ophelia Gaines	Tattnall County Commissioners
Wayne Dasher	Tattnall County Commissioners

Officers:

Wayne Dasher
Brenda C. Smith
Ophelia Gaines

Chairman
Clerk
Treasurer

Mr. Wayne Dasher relayed that Mr. Murphy has spoke with each member and officer And they have committed to continue to serve. Mr. Dasher then reported that the Development Authority has had good year.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Edward to approve the reappointment of Tattnall County Industrial Development Authority members and officers. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Next Sheriff Sapp presented permission to surplus two vehicles. These two Dodge chargers will be given to the County Commissioners Office to surplus.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the surplus of the two Dodge Chargers. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Chairman Trim presented Tree removal bids. Trees to be removed are in front of the DFCS building and behind the Reidsville plaza. Bids are as follows:

DordC LLC	\$79,850.00
Critical Tree Service	\$29,960.00
Swindell Construction Co.	\$22,450.00
Horner Services	\$16,000.00
Premier Tree Service	\$14,500.00
USMS General Contracting	\$10,760.00

Mr. Murphy stated that we have received more bids than usual now that all bids in the amount of \$10k or higher are listed on the Georgia Procurement Registry website. Mr. Murphy then recommended USMS General Contracting in the amount of \$10,760.00. Mr. Dennis Odum stated that USMS General Contracting has performed work for the County in the past and the work has been satisfactory.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the low bid of \$10,760.00 from USMS General Contracting. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Mr. Odum presented Concrete pad bids. One pad will be completed at the County shop wash area and the other at the County Yard on Cecil Anderson Road. Bids are as follows:

McLendon Enterprises, Inc	\$32,046.00
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Swindell Construction Co.	\$19,396.00
USMS General Contracting	\$18,320.88
DordC LLC	\$16,480.00
T & K Hicks Contracting	\$16,272.30

Mr. Murphy recommended the low bid of \$16,272.30 by T & K Hicks Contracting.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy to accept the low bid of \$16,272.30 by T & K Hicks Contracting. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Next Chairman Trim presented the State Cable & Video Service Franchise for approval.

Mr. Murphy explained that Teleview has bought out Windstream and the County must adopt this resolution in order to collect franchise fees from the new company, Teleview. This was recommended by ACCG.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to adopt the State Cable & Video Service Franchise resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Mr. Odum presented permission to solicit bids for the Spot leveling contract. Mr. Odum explained the current contract ends in January and this contract would be for 2019.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve to solicit bids for the 2019 Spot leveling contact. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Mr. Odum next presented permission to solicit bids for the 2019 LMIG. LMIG projects include Cedar Creek Church Road, Stoney Hill Church Road, John M Brewton Road, Joe McGovern Road and Mack Phillips Road. Mr. Odum explained that selection of roads is made based on ratings and conditions of roads. He commented that no roads in District 2 are included in this LMIG project, however, District 2 has some special paving projects going on currently.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve to solicit bids for the 2019 LMIG. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Lastly, Mr. Odum presented permission to solicit bids for the Tattnall County Board of Education paving project. Mr. Odum explained this is for paving work to be completed at the High School. The County was approached by the Board of Education to include this project at the same time as soliciting bids for County paving projects in hopes to

obtain the best price possible. The Board of Education will select contractor and make all payments for this project.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve to solicit bids for the Tattnall County Board of Education paving project at the High school. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Mr. Dasher presented permission to purchase stair chairs. Mr. Dasher explained that EMS has recently received a grant from the Georgia Trauma Commission in the amount of \$5,200.00+. The Georgia Trauma Commission presented a list of equipment that could be purchased with grant funds and stair chairs was one of the items on the list.

Mr. Dasher explained that EMS currently has 3 stair chairs and 6 ambulances. By purchasing these additional stair chairs, almost all ambulances would have one stair chair in the ambulance. Stair chairs are used to transport patients from two story buildings or down stairs. Mr. Dasher has a quote of \$5,180.20 to purchase the two stair chairs. He then further explained that the County would first have to pay for the purchase and the County would then be reimbursed by the Georgia Trauma Commission thru the grant funds.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the purchase of the two stair chairs in the amount of \$5,180.20 thru grant funds received by the Georgia Trauma Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

14. The month of January is when we vote to advertise any road closings and/or road name changes. These requested changes will be advertised in the local newspapers for four weeks, the changes will be posted on each road, and the Public hearing will be held on Thursday, January 31st at 10:00 a.m. here at the Courthouse. The Commissioners will vote to approve or disapprove each road closing or road change at the next commissioners meeting on February 4th.

Mr. Odum presented road changes and closures as follows:

Road closings/changes for **District 1**:

(1) Addition of the Community cemetery road. Private road that begins at Alberta & Willie Robinson Road and ends at the Alberta & Willie Robinson Community Cemetery.

(2) The Willis Sikes road closure. From Hillview Road to the Lee Tidwell Road. To include closure of the Sam McKinney Road and Gene Lynn Road

(3) A portion of the Alexander Mill Pond Road. 1.07-mile section.

Mr. Odum commented that there may be objections to 1.07-mile section closure of the Alexander Mill Pond Road as this is behind the new school that will soon be constructed.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to approve to advertise road changes and closures for District 1. Motion carried unanimously.

Road closings/changes for **District 2:**

- (1) Della Lane closure. From Hwy 280 E to the Joe Kennedy Road.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to approve to advertise road closure for District 2. Motion carried unanimously.

Road closings/changes for **District 4:**

- (1) Martha Lane closure. From Enoch Bradley road to the Covin Purcell road.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve to advertise road closure for District 4. Motion carried unanimously.

Public comments:

15. Mr. Odum approached the Board regarding the possible need for the County to investigate a policy regarding encroachment. Mr. Odum stated the policy is needed so that the county would know what to do in the case of a utility being hit while working on dirt roads. Some utilities are not to code and are not deep enough.

16. Mr. Murphy presented the December interim financial statement. He stated expenses were currently at 78%. Revenues are a little under at 65%. Two big expenses have been paid for the year which include the County pension and workers comp insurance. Mr. Murphy then thanked GA Power representative, Allen Voskey, with all his help with lighting, etc. at the Reidsville plaza.

17. Sheriff Sapp approached the Board regarding Tannerite complaints. Tannerite is binary explosive composed of two separate components which are a combination of oxidizers and aluminum powder. People mix the two components and shoot it with a high-powered rifle which creates a very loud boom sound. The Sheriff department has received several complaints of Tannerite going off all hours to include late at night. Tannerite is legal however it is illegal to mix and transport or to be in possession of 50 + pounds of Tannerite.

Sheriff Sapp recommended that the Commissioners consider forming an ordinance to regulate hours in which Tannerite can be used.

Chairman Trim stated the Board would investigate it and County Attorney, Joe McGovern suggested the Board contact local legislature for assistance as well as the Sheriff contacting the GA Sheriff's association.

18. Stan Dansby of Public works for the City of Glennville stated that the City is ready to begin the Banks Street project whenever the County has time to start.

19. Citizens Abigail and Liz Groover addressed the board as well as EMS Director Dustin Dasher regarding their mother who is now deceased. In 2013, their mother was picked up by Tattall EMS and transported to the Tattall hospital for treatment. They stated their mother's clothes were soaked wet by the rain. They asked the Board as well as Mr. Dasher to come up with a solution for patients to not get wet from the rain while being transported and treated by Tattall EMS. Mr. Dasher stated they currently use

emergency blankets when raining to get the water off patients. Chairman Trim stated they would investigate it further to see if anything else could be done to prevent patients from getting wet from the rain.

20. Mr. McGovern stated executive session was needed to discuss real estate.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy to go into executive session at 9:46 a.m. Motion carried unanimously. **(Affidavit signed by Chairman Trim and made part of the Official Record)**

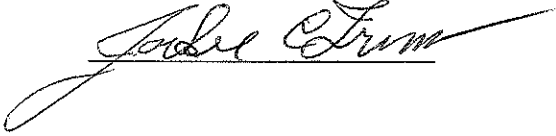
21. There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Bobby Kennedy to go back into open session at 9:57 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

22. Chairman Trim stated that the Old Glennville DFCS building did not sale at public auction. The County has received a bid for the property. Chairman Trim recommends accepting the bid as it is \$20k more than what was offered at the public auction, the property can go back on the tax roll and it will take a lot of money to renovate the building.

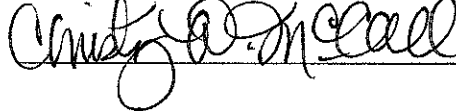
There was no motion made to accept the bid and/or sale the Old Glennville DFCS property.

23. There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

JACKIE C. TRIM, CHAIRMAN

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CHRISTY D. MCCALL, COUNTY CLERK

Handwritten signature of Christy D. McCall in cursive script, written over a horizontal line.

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF TATTNALL

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN

JACKIE C. TRIM

_____, Chairman of the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1.
The Tattnall County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on 11/7/19.

2.
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.
The executive session was called to order at 9:51 (a.m.) p.m.

4.
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter (s) within the exceptions provided in the open meeting law:

_____ Consultation with the County Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer may be directly involved in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1);

_____ Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2)
And _____.

Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (4);

_____ Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6);

Other _____

As provided in _____

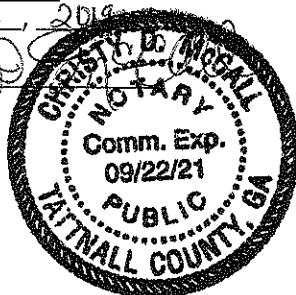
This 7th day of January, 2019.

Jackie C. Trim

JACKIE C. TRIM, Chairman
Tattnall County Board of Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed
Before me this 7th
Day of January, 2019

Christy D. McCall
Notary Public



MEMBERS PRESENT: Edward Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy, GW Thompson, Wayne Tatum