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Members Present: Chairman Jackie Trim, Commissioners Edward Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy, G.W. Thompson, Wayne Tatum and Bill Kicklighter.

Staff Present: County Manager Frank Murphy, County Clerk Christy D. McCall, Interim Road Superintendent Lynn Cribbs, EMA Director Walt Rogers, 911 Director Monica Douglas, County Extension Agent Rachel Stewart and County Attorney Joe McGovern.

There were also several other County employees present for the meeting due to Mr. Dale Dutton's retirement.

Also, in attendance: Sheriff Kyle Sapp, Tax Commissioner Dale Dutton, Clerk of Courts Sherry Bland and Probate Judge Gloria Dubberly.

Chairman Trim called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Rev. Mike Gay gave the invocation. Chairman Trim then lead the pledge of allegiance.

There was a Motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes **July 1, 2019**
2. Called Meeting Minutes **July 10, 2019**
3. Easement of removing material – Tommy & Lynna Hillard

Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

1. Chairman Trim called for approval of the agenda.

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

2. Chairman Trim then announced that Mr. Dale Dutton would be retiring as Tax Commissioner as of September 1 and the County will be recognizing Mr. Dutton today for his service. Chairman Trim expressed his happiness to honor Mr. Dutton today and thanked him for the good job he has done the past 18 years as Tax Commissioner.

Chairman Trim then presented Mr. Dutton with a resolution and read the resolution aloud into the minutes. (See attached)



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Mr. Dutton then thanked all the of the Board of Commissioners, All fellow Constitutional Officers, His Staff as well as all County employees for the working relationship over the years. He stated that it was an honor to serve all these years. He then thanked his family for all their love and support over the years.

Chairman Trim announced that a reception for Mr. Dutton is being held downstairs and that the meeting would resume after the reception. A picture of Chairman Trim presenting Mr. Dutton with the resolution, along with family was taken by the news media.

Meeting resumed at 9:53 a.m. following the reception.

3. County Extension Agent, Rachel Stewart, shared information regarding Seatbelt Safety and Driver awareness. Program was recently held at the High school. Mothers of two children who were killed in a car accident spoke to the children regarding the importance of wearing your seatbelt. A foundation from Orlando, Florida awarded one of the Senior leaders an \$1,000.00 scholarship. At the beginning of the program it was observed that 30% of students were wearing seat belts and at the end of the program it was observed that 90% were wearing seat belts. 600 students signed pledges to wear seatbelts.

Chairman Trim thanked Mrs. Stewart for the information and for what she does for the citizens of Tattnell County, espically the youth.

4. County Manager, Frank Murphy, then presented the FY2020 Budget review.

Highlights were as follows:

- Projected General Fund Budget \$13,136,361.38
- Increase of \$232,457.51 over Fiscal year
- Includes one step salary increase and a \$1,000.00 one-time salary supplement for all employees that meet expectations
- Does not pass any rate increase to employees for health insurance
- Rolls back millage rate from 14.205 to 13.720 or 0.485 of a mil
- Returns two part time employees to Code Enforcement
- Moves Inmate detail under Code Enforcement
- Reduces number of EMA Deputy Director positions from two to one
- Changes EMA Deputy Directors from as need contract to hourly at \$9.95 per hour
- Limits EMA Deputy Directors hours to 1508 per year

Commissioner Kicklighter asked about Corner budget increase request for cooler. Mr. Murphy stated that would not be done now but will be looked at when Sheriff's building

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renovation is being done, to possibly be included with that renovation. Money for cooler has been moved to contingency if cooler is needed before Sheriff building renovation.

5. County Manager, Mr. Murphy next presented the Request to advertise 5 year History and set Public Hearing date for FY2020 budget on September 5, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. Five-year history reflects millage rate rollback of 0.485 if a mil from 14.205 to 13.720.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bill Kicklighter to advertise 5-year history and set public hearing date for FY2020 Budget on September 5, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Chairman Trim presented New beer and wine application for approval. Applicant is Hannah Sapp for Bear's Country Store located at 13598 US Hwy 301, Glennville, GA 30427.

Sheriff Sapp stated that background check came back good and he approves this application.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve Beer and wine application for Hannah Sapp/Bear's Country Store. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Next on the agenda, was Bids for County Audit for Five fiscal years to include FY 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23. Bids were as follows:

Cannady Hodges	\$188,800.00
Clifton, Lipford, Hardison & Parker	\$177,500.00
Lanier, Deal & Proctor	\$155,000.00
Mauldin & Jenkins	\$150,000.00

Chairman Trim asked if anyone had any questions. Mr. Richard Deal of Lanier, Deal & Proctor, Current Auditor, was at the meeting and asked to speak. He stated that his firm has served as the County auditor for many years and asked the Board to consider selecting his firm though they are not the low bid, due to current relationship with County and staff. Chairman Trim recommends going with the low bid.

There was a motion by Commissioner Wayne Tatum and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy to accept and approve the low bid of \$150,000.00 from Mauldin & Jenkins. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Chairman Trim presented permission to solicit bids for well at South yard. After Discussion, it was determined that bids need to be solicited for a lime rock well with a five-horsepower pump.

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There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to grant permission to solicit bids for a lime rock well at the South yard with a five-horsepower pump. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Request to purchase counterweight for Excavator was next of the agenda. Mr. Murphy as well as Mr. Lynn Cribbs stated that the counterweight will make the Excavator safer and should have been specified when Excavator was originally purchased.

The Excavator is a Caterpillar and being that this equipment is proprietary, we have one bid from Caterpillar/Yancey Brothers in the amount of \$4,822.00. It was noted that the counterweight will add 1,200 pounds to machine and would make it safer to operate.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to purchase counterweight for Excavator from Caterpillar/Yancey Brothers in the amount of \$4,822.00. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Chairman Trim then presented Road Superintendent job. There were two Applicants for the Road Superintendent job. Mr. Lynn Cribbs scored the highest on the Interview. Mr. Cribbs is a current Road Department employee and serves as Crew Leader. He has been with the County for eight years, does a good job, and has a lifetime of construction experience.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bill Kicklighter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve Mr. Lynn Cribbs for the Road Superintendent job opening. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Trim stated that with the approval of Mr. Cribbs as Road Superintendent, that the County would need to advertise for Mr. Cribbs old job as Road Department Crew Leader. He then asked for the Board's comments.

Commissioner Bill Kicklighter stated that he would like to table the item and meet with Mr. Cribbs to determine what position would be best for the County.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bill Kicklighter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy to table advertisement of Road Department Crew Leader job until determination of what is best for the County is made. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Next was FY2020 LMIG projects list for approval. Mr. Odom, County Engineer, Was absent due to family sickness. In his absence, Mr. Murphy presented the project list for approval. (See attached list) Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. Odom relayed that three of the roads were on the striping list. Commissioner Thompson stated that he wanted Auburn Road added to the list. To be resurfaced from the end of the city limits all the way to Rogers Road.

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There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the FY2020 LMIG Project list with the addition of Auburn Road to be paved from the end of the city limits all the way to Rogers Road. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Mr. Murphy then presented Part time Code Enforcement job that was mentioned Earlier during budget review. Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. John Mock resigned as Code Enforcement officer to work in the Magistrate office as Associate Judge. However, he does not work much as Associate Judge now that Judge Anderson's health has improved and would like to come back as Part time Code Enforcement offer. Budget was never changed when Code Enforcement reduced to one part time officer. Mr. Mock will also supervise inmate detail under code enforcement and assist with animal control when needed.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy to approve Mr. Mock to return as Part time Code Enforcement officer. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Chairman Trim then presented Request to surplus 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN# 6664 and place on GovDeals. Sheriff Sapp stated that he would like to turn vehicle over to Commissioners for surplus.

Commissioner Kennedy asked for us to include our percentage fee for placing the vehicle on GovDeals to the purchase price. Mr. Walt Rogers stated that he would need to update the County's setting on GovDeals, and this could be done.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bill Kicklighter to surplus 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe and place on GovDeals. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Next was appointment of DFCS Board Members. Chairman Trim explained that DFCS overlooked the reappoints inhouse and need for three board members to be appointed with existing term dates.

The appointments are as follows:

Faye Way Term June 30, 2015-June 30, 2020

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner GW Thompson to appoint Faye Way to the DFCS Board with a term of June 30, 2015-June 30, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

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Eileen Bland Term June 30, 2019-June 30, 2024  
There was a motion by Commissioner Bill Kicklighter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to appoint Eileen Bland to the DFCS board with a term of June 30, 2019-June 30, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Jessie Rhodes Term June 30, 2016-June 30, 2021  
There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to appoint Jessie Rhodes to the DFCS board with a term of June 30, 2016-June 30, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Mike Parker of S & P Design presented Status updates to include County Extension, Glennville EMS Station and new DFCS facility. Updates were as follows:

- County Extension located at Reidsville Plaza: Working with Mrs. Stewart, County Extension agent on selecting paint, floor covering and furniture. Project is on schedule to finish in the fall
- Glennville EMS station is moving along well and should be finished in the fall. The concrete slab is in and currently electrical and plumbing are being roughed in.
- New DFCS facility was last. After review from State properties, it was suggested that a 12,700 square foot stand alone facility is needed. Therefore, the 6,000 square foot adjacent facility at Reidsville Plaza will not work.

Chairman Trim asked Mr. Parker about resurfacing the Reidsville Plaza parking lot. Mr. Parker replied that if we stay on budget, the parking lot could be resealed or recoated once Extension office is complete. Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. Odom was working on a plan for drainage in the back and side of the parking lot.

Mr. Murphy then stated that 8.1 acres that is adjacent to Jail is available for purchase. Mr. Dan Bennett has entered into a contract to purchase a home and the 8.1 acres. Mr. Bennett has offered to sell the County the 8.1 acres and retain the home at a price of \$120K. This land could be used to construct the standalone 12,700 square foot facility needed for DFCS. The County along with Mr. Parker have hopes of selling a portion of the land to a third-party developer that could construct the facility for DFCS and enter a long-term lease with State Properties. The purchase of the land would come from 2020 SPLOST Construction funds and returned to the fund once necessary property sold to third party developer. The remainder of land would be retained for future needs.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to offer Mr. Bennett \$120K for the 8.1 acres adjacent to the County jail. Motion carried unanimously.

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**Committee Reports:**

16. Mr. Walt Rogers stated that Fireworks tax grant funds were received and turn Out equipment was purchase with grant funds.

17. Wayne Lawler is Signature Ambulance introduced himself and stated that he Was present to be part of the community.

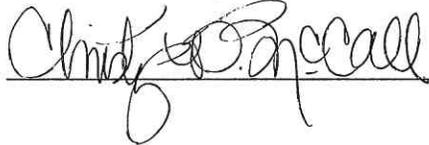
18. Commissioner Bill Kicklighter thanked Mr. Cribbs for getting the South yard Cleaned up.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner GW Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

JACKIE C. TRIM, CHAIRMAN



CHRISTY D. MCCALL, COUNTY CLERK



STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF TATTNALL

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dale P. Dutton has served Tattnall County as Tax Commissioner for eighteen years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dutton has faithfully and loyally performed his duties as defined by the Oath of Office for Tax Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dutton chose to make his home in Glennville after receiving a Degree in Medical Records Administration from the Medical College of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dutton has and continues to live a life of services both in his career and in his community working for Twenty-six years with Glenvue Health and Rehab, serving as Administrator for his final sixteen. He is a charter member of the Board of Directors of the South Georgia Bank as well as the Glennville Rotary Club and served eleven years as a Commissioner on the Glennville Housing Authority along with many other church and community activities.

WHEREAS, Mr. Dutton has announced he plans to retire September 01, 2019; and

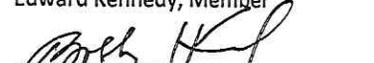
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens of Tattnall County, extends their appreciation to Dale P. Dutton for his honorable performance and dedication during his terms of office as Tax Commissioner and wish him all the best in his future endeavors ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread on the Official Minutes of the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners and a copy be presented to Mr. Dutton.

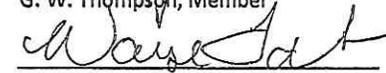
This 5th day of August 2019.

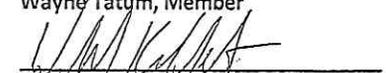
  
Jackie C. Trim, Chairman

  
Edward Kennedy, Member

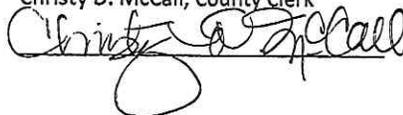
  
Bobby Kennedy, Member

  
G. W. Thompson, Member

  
Wayne Tatum, Member

  
William I. (Bill) Kicklighter, Member

ATTEST:  
Christy D. McCall, County Clerk



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