

CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 P.M.

8/3/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman Jesse Crews, along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, James Everett, Drew Jones, and Luke Gowen; County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; HR Clerk Becky Harden; County Attorney John Adams; and visitors as recorded hereafter.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Everett led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Gowen made motion to amend Agenda to include at #4 Hear Melodey Martindale, Executive Director Chamber, include at #8 Consider Sheriff's Department Request, and Consider Head Start Reroofing Bid. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Everett made motion to adopt the August 3, 2023 Agenda to include the above mentioned amendments. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gowen made motion to adopt the July 20, 2023 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT - Hear Melodey Martindale, Executive Director - Chamber of Commerce

Mrs. Martindale appeared before Board and informed the Board of future projects: Member focus, Chamber Workshops, Miss Okefenokee scheduled for September 23, Okefenokee Festival October 14, and partnering with the School System and Coastal Pines Technical College for internships. Expressed passion and support for local businesses and watching them grow.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MCA QUOTE FOR EMA/EMS VEHICLE

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve MCA quote for radio and light for new EMA/EMS Vehicle for \$5,241.00, to be paid with 2020 SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMBULANCE BID

After bidding twice, one bid was received from Custom Truck for \$244,530.00, Commissioner Benefield made motion to purchase ambulance from Custom Truck for \$244,530.00 to be paid with ARPA and (equipment) power loader and radio may be needed and will be paid with 2020 SPLOST funds. Motion was

seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF QUOTE FOR REPAINTING RACEPOND FIRE STATION

Bids were received for repainting Racepond Fire Station -

Padgett Painting - \$6,000.00

Duggans Painting - \$7,050.00 (Not including roof) \$5,450.00

Jerrold Harden - \$7,500.00

D Johns Painting - \$8,685.00

Commissioner Jones made motion to award bid to Padgett Painting for \$6,000.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Jones made motion to amend motion, to award to lowest bidder, contingent upon 5% of lowest qualified bidder. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF QUOTE FOR REROOFING RACEPOND FIRE STATION

Bids for reroofing Racepond Fire Station -

Gary Tippins - \$10,286.07 - 26 gauge

\$13,136.10 - 24 gauge

Brantley Roofing - \$16,281.00 - 26 gauge

Tyco Construction - \$16,677.86

Howell Roofing - \$17,458.00

Commissioner Jones made motion to award bid to Gary Tippins for \$13,136.10 for 24 gauge. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT -

Bids for Reroofing Head Start Building -

Howell Roofing - \$39,240.00 Painted

\$37,263.00 Galvanized

Platinum Roofing - \$33,346.69 - 26 gauge

\$38,107.69 - 24 gauge

Tyco Construction - \$60,217.70 - 26 gauge

Commissioner Everett made motion to award bid to Platinum Roofing for \$38,107.69 for 24 gauge roof, to be paid with Administration SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

AMENDMENT - Consider Sheriff's Department Request -

Sheriff Robert Phillips appeared before Board and stated, as required by law, 4 fireproof, insulated file cabinets are needed. A grant application was submitted, but was not awarded. Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve purchase of 4 fireproof, insulated file cabinets, from Amazon for \$1,275.00 each, to be paid with 2020 SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

10. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Crews reported that he had met with Mrs. Martindale, Chamber Director, and more Chamber members are needed, also stating that meeting with Okefenokee Experience is scheduled for August 9, at 11:30 a.m. in the Auditorium.

Tire Amnesty Event is scheduled for the week of August 21 - 25 in Folkston and St. George.

Commissioner Jones and Board members congratulated Administrator Raulerson on the birth of new baby.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

None.

12. NEXT BOC MEETING THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM, 6:00 P.M.

13. ADJOURN

Commissioner Benefield made motion to adjourn meeting at 6:35 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Jesse A. Crews, Chairman

Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk