

July 16, 2019

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MADISON, GEORGIA, MET THIS DAY IN REGULAR SESSION.

PRESENT: Chairman Ronald H. Milton, Vice-Chair Philipp von Hanstein, Commissioners Andy A. Ainslie, Jr., Donald Harris and Ben Riden, Jr.

STAFF: County Manager Adam Mestres, County Attorney Christian Henry and County Clerk Leslie Brandt.

Commissioner Milton called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Milton gave the invocation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Riden to approve agenda with the addition of FY20 Aging Services Contract as item #6 under new business. Unanimously Approved.

PRESENTATIONS

Huey Atkins with National EMS gave an update of the ambulance service provided in Morgan County.

EXTENSION EMPLOYEE AGREEMENT

Extension Director, Lucy Ray submitted a request for the Extension Office staff to be added as County Employees and their county supplement be paid directly to them through the county payroll.

Motion by Commissioner Ainslie, Seconded by Commissioner von Hanstein to approve request to add Extension Staff as County Employees. Unanimously Approved.

2019 SUMMER STRIPING PACKAGE

Two bids were received from Mid-State Striping, Inc. (\$51,100) and Peek Pavement Markings, LLC (\$54,525) to re-stripe seven roads totaling thirty miles.

Motion by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Ainslie to award the 2019 summer striping package to Mid-State Striping, Inc. as presented in the amount of \$51,100. Unanimously Approved.

TRANSIT TITLE VI PLAN

As a condition for receiving the 5311 grant an update to the Title VI plan is required every three years. The Title VI prohibits recipients of Federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color or national origin.

Motion by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the Title VI Plan as presented. Unanimously Approved.

RV HARDSHIP APPEAL

Planning Director, Chuck Jarrell, presented the Board with a RV hardship denial for Frances Stonecypher to locate her brother's RV at her residence at 2320 Davis Academy Road. Jarrell stated he informed Ms. Stonecypher of the ordinance that prohibits RV's from being occupied for more than fifteen days in a sixty-day period.

Ms. Stonecypher was not present to state her case for the hardship request. Therefore, the Board made a motion to table the item until the August 06, 2019 meeting

Motion by Commissioner Ainslie, Seconded by Commissioner von Hanstein to table until the August 06, 2019 Commission Meeting. Unanimously Approved.

FY20 AGING SERVICES CONTRACT

Motion by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the FY2020 Aging Services Contract with the Northeast GA Regional Commission for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 as presented. Unanimously Approved.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioners gave updates on Liaison assignments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments were made by Morgan County residents: Paula Sellers, Beth Herring, Ellen Sims, David Moore and Michael Martin.

The residents named above spoke out against the ambulance service in Morgan County. They are concerned about response times in the rural part of the county. The residents also feel the response time averages given by National EMS are not accurate and expressed great concern over the ambulance service being privatized. Michael Martin asked the Board to request bids for ambulance service just as they do with other projects in the county. The residents also requested accurate call times and data along with an additional ambulance to service Morgan County.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to exit regular session. Unanimously Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie seconded by Comm. Riden to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel and potential litigation. Unanimously Approved. (Original signed Affidavit in Executive Session Legal Requirement Book).

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to exit Executive Session. Unanimously Approved.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to enter Regular Session. Unanimously Approved.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to adjourn. Unanimously Approved.

Ronald H. Milton, Chairman

ATTEST:

Leslie Brandt, County Clerk