

THE SCREVEN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of Screven County, Georgia, Mr. Will Boyd, Chairman, Mr. J.C. Warren, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Allison Willis, Mr. John Triplett, Ms. Rosa Romeo, Mr. Edwin Lovett and Mr. Mike Dixon met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on December 13, 2022, at the Screven County Courthouse.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Ms. Lori Burke, County Manager, Mr. Aaron Meyer, County Attorney (via zoom), Mrs. Sonya Gordon, Administrative Clerk, Jonna Thompson, Ben Thompson, Bobby Smith, Uley Robbins, Stacy Mincey, Sarah Saxon, Lagina Evans, Andrea Waits, Stephanie Lee, Heather Smith and Mary Felton.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order. Commissioner Triplett gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Romeo made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Willis seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

MINUTES

Commissioner Willis made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 Commissioners' meeting. Commissioner Romeo seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) **Cemeteries** Tax Commissioner Andrea Waits asked the Boards's approval in removing Fire Fees from Cemeteries. Commissioner Romeo made a motion to remove Fire Fees from Cemeteries. Commissioner Triplett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

(2) **Appointment/Resolution** Commissioner Willis made a motion to appoint Mr. Tony Thompson to the Board of Assessors for a term of three years and adopt the Resolution establishing terms of members. Commissioner Dixon seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote. (See copy of Resolution in Minute Book page _____).

(3) **LOST Certificate** Commissioner Willis made a motion to approve amended percentages for distribution of LOST funds beginning January 2023 and execute certificate. Commissioner Romeo seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

(4) **Heat Pump Quote** Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the request from the Sheriff's Department to replace the heat pump in the Women's Dorm quoted at \$14,400 from Hagan Heating & Air using Jail Funds. Commissioner Willis seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

(5) **2023 LMIG** Commissioner Triplett made a motion to approve the project list and submit application for 2023 LMIG, which will focus on pipe work. Commissioner Warren seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

(6) **CRC Agreement** County Manager Burke stated that the cost for Website maintenance is \$3,900 over three years. Email services are \$2,400 for tech support and \$3,000 for Licenses, totaling \$5,400 a year. Commissioner Romeo made a motion to approve Agreement for Website and Email support services. Commissioner Warren seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote. (See copy of Agreement in Minute Book page _____).

(7) **USDA/FSA Lease** Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the lease renewal for USDA/FSA office. Commissioner Romeo seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

(8) **Discussion** Commissioner Warren discussed with the Board the option of a Lease Agreement for the Ditch Pond Dumpster Site totaling \$250 a year for three years. Commissioner Warren made a motion to move forward with the Lease Agreement. Commissioner Dixon seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Warren thanked the Roads & Bridges Department for the work that has been done on the County roads using the newly purchased Hot Box/Recycler. Commissioner Willis also thanked the Roads Department for clipping the roads and the Sanitation Department for collecting the cardboard. County Manager Burke announced that the first TSPLOST payment of \$95,000 has been received. Ms. Burke would like the Board to schedule a workshop in January, on a day that everyone is available to attend. County Manager Burke announced the closures for the Christmas holidays, which are December 23rd and 26th. Mrs. Lagina Evans gave an update on the renovations to the hospital, stating that they have completed exterior painting and are now working on the lighting. Mrs. Evans said they are now in Phase II which is turning the old emergency room into Lab Core. Commissioners' Boyd, Warren, Romeo, and Dixon thanked Commissioner John Triplett for his service to the County during his time as Commissioner in District 7. Commissioner Triplett thanked everyone for their kind words and introduced Mr. Ben Thompson as new Commissioner for District 7. Commissioner Warren welcomed Mr. Ben Thompson to the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Triplett made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation and personnel at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Romeo seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Warren made a motion to return to regular session at 10:10 a.m.

Commissioner Romeo seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Dixon exited executive session at 9:47 a.m.

Commissioner Warren made a motion to increase the Probate and Voter Registration's legal line items by \$10,000 each. Commissioner Romeo seconded this motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Chairman

County Manager