#### THE SCREVEN COUNTY

#### **COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

# **FEBRUARY 9, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners of Screven County, Georgia, Mr. Will Boyd, Chairman, Mr. J.C. Warren, Vice-Chairman, Mr. John O. Triplett, Ms. Allison Willis and Mr. Mike Dixon met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on February 9, 2021, at the Screven County Courthouse. Mr. Edwin Lovett and Ms. Rosa Romeo attended the meeting via Zoom.

#### PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Mr. Hubert Reeves, County Attorney, Mrs. Lori Boulineau, Personnel Director/Finance Officer, Mr. Enoch Autry, Sylvania Telephone, Mr. Paul Keller Newton, Mr. Randy Hagan, Zoning Administrator, Mr. Truman Anderson, Recreation Director, Mr. James Cheyne, Mr. John Walker, Mr. Elijah Page, Mrs. Andrea Waits, Tax Commissioner, Mr. Jimmy Murray, Mr. Allen Newton, Mr. Michael Newton, Mr. Tommy O'Barr, Mr. Roger Brannen, Road Superintendent, Ms. Kaytie Nasworthy, Administrative Clerk, Mr. Brett Dickerson, Investigator, Mr. Bobby Smith, Public Works Director, Ms. Kim Brown, Mr. Kim Brown, Ms. Lagina Evans

# CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Will Boyd called the meeting to order. County Attorney Hubert Reeves gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

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

#### **MINUTES**

Commissioner Triplett made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- (1) SWMP Chairman Boyd opened the meeting to public comment to receive public input for the purpose of creating a new multijurisdictional Solid Waste Management Plan. Michael Newton presented a statement letter from several citizens and their opinions. Chairman Boyd closed the meeting to public comment. (See copy of public comment statement on minute book page \_\_\_\_.)
- (2) Amendments Chairman Boyd opened the meeting to public comment to receive public input for the purpose of considering amendments to Chapter 66, Screven County Code (Subdivisions) which generally clarify code provisions with regard to a new Solid Waste Management Plan and to make certain grammar and context corrections to the chapter. Michael Newton presented a statement letter from several citizens and their opinions. Chairman Boyd closed the meeting to public comment. (See copy of public comment statement on minute book page\_\_\_).

### **APPEARANCES**

- (1) Brett Dickerson appeared before the Board to discuss changes to the previously approved grant application for the USDA Rural Development Grant. The application will include the purchase of three (3) cars instead of four (4) and the county match will be \$89,419.00.

  Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the amended application and approve the match using SPLOST funds. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.
- (2) Tax Commissioner Andrea Waits appeared before the Board to discuss implementing an online payment system and the cost associated with it. Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the cost of the implementing the online payment system in the amount of \$1250.00 annual for maintenance and support. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- (1) CRC Addendum Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Addendum #1 approving CRC to facilitate and administer the email and cloud service for the county. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.
- (2) Travel Team Policy Recreation Department Director Truman Anderson recommends the approval of a Travel Team Policy. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the Travel Team Policy as presented. Commissioner Willis seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote. (See copy of policy on minute book page(s)\_\_\_to\_\_\_).
- (3) Code Amendment/Public Hearing Chairman Boyd opened the meeting to public comment to receive public input on the consideration to adopt an Ordinance containing a new Article V. Solid Waste Management Facilities within Chapter 62 of the Screven County code. There was no public comment. Chairman Boyd closed the meeting to public comment. The code amendment will be place on the agenda for adoption at the next meeting. Commissioner Warren made a motion to set the date for the March commissioner's meeting to March 16, 2021. Commissioner Triplett seconded that motion and it carried by unanimous vote.
- (4) **Discussion** The Board to discuss potential recycling plans for the county. Commissioner Willis recommended doing a trial run on cardboard recycling by placing metal crates at the Short Stop and Peeples Farm dumpster sites.
- (5) Discussion Commissioner Warren discussed the paving of Jenk Hill Road, Greenhill Road and Johnson Grove Road. Commissioner Warren would like to request a possible start date for the projects and move forward with accepting the bid for the jobs. Commissioner Boyd stated he felt the work done to the roads to date was good and he thinks that other roads in the county should be paved before the listed roads. Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the bids from Littlefield Construction up to the amount of \$300,000.00 using SPLOST funds for the paving of

Jenk Hill Road, Greenhill Road and Johnson Grove Road. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Romeo, Commissioner Lovett and Commissioner Willis voted in favor. Commissioner Triplett and Commissioner Boyd were opposed. The vote carried by majority vote.

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Paul Keller Newton asked if the amendments and the Solid Waste Management Plan would be adopted by March 23, 2021 when the current Moratorium is set to expire. County Attorney Hubert Reeves stated that if the Board adopts them they would. Mr. Tommy O'Barr suggested someone should talk to other Municipalities and make sure they are advertising and having their public hearings. Mr. Jim Chain introduced himself to the Board as the new pastor at Little Horse Creek Baptist Church.

### **REPORTS**

Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the crush and run, mesh laying and allow the Road Department to do the road work. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Triplett made a motion to go into executive session at 10:18 A.M. to discuss personnel and litigation. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Warren left executive session at 11:12 A.M. Commissioner Lovett made a motion to return to regular session. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Triplett made a motion to approve the minutes of the executive session.

Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 11:36 A.M.	
Chairman	
County Manager	