



## **BALDWIN COUNTY WORK SESSION**

**June 4, 2024**

**1601 N Columbia St, Suite 240**

**5:30 PM**

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### **MINUTES**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Emily Davis  
John Westmoreland  
Kendrick Butts  
Sammy Hall  
Henry Craig

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Brandon Palmer  
Carlos Tobar  
Dawn Hudson  
Cindy Cunningham

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair John Westmoreland called the Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE / FISCAL MATTERS**

##### **Real Time Crime Center**

Sheriff Bill Masee stated he appreciated the opportunity to present information about a Real Time Crime Center (RTCC). He stated the Sheriff's Office would like to expand the building at the 911 Center for a RTCC. He thanked Commissioners for their support in funding flock cameras, video equipment for vehicles, personal video cameras and computerized technology. He stated all of these things are very instrumental in making arrests and solving crimes.

Sheriff Masee introduced Ms. Ellen Johnson, an Analyst, who handles all the IT work as it relates to analytics in the crime center.

Ms. Johnson presented information about the Real Time Crime Center utilizing centralized technology to proactively enhance visibility and provide information to officers while a crime is in progress. She discussed statistics of increases in apprehension rates across the United States, decreases in dispatch time and appreciation time, and other RTCC tools such as the Licensed Plate Reader System, the Data Pilot Tool which is a digital forensics tool, and Clearview AI which is a facial recognition tool.

Ms. Johnson discussed the handout distributed to Commissioners including the proposed layout of the building and estimated costs. She detailed outfitting costs, consoles, ground ring installation to protect equipment and staffing costs. Sheriff Masee stated Dyer Construction had provided a quote of proposed costs for discussion and information that will be used to bid the project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Emily Davis made a motion to adjourn the Work Session at 5:50 p.m.  
Vice Chairman Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



John H. Westmoreland  
Chairman



Cynthia K. Cunningham  
County Clerk