

# MINUTES

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Emily Davis Kendrick Butts Sammy Hall MEMBERS ABSENT

Henry Craig John Westmoreland OTHERS PRESENT

Brandon Palmer Dawn Hudson Cindy Cunningham

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emily Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

<u>INVOCATION</u> Deacon Webster delivered the invocation

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kendrick Butts led the Pledge.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Division of Family & Children Services**

Ms. Jennifer Crowell, County Director of the Division of Family & Children Services (DFCS), discussed various programs and activities of DFCS. She reported the Department has a new location which is 111 Fieldstone Drive. Ms. Crowell discussed the Foster Care program, the Family Support program and the Case Manager Recruitment program.

#### Atrium Health Navicent

Ms. Joy Moten-Thomas stated Atrium Health Navicent presented Baldwin County Commissioners with an award recognizing Baldwin County as a Community Health Champion. She stated the award was accepted on behalf of the County by Chair Emily Davis at a reception held at the Tubmun Museum earlier this month.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2023 Work Session and the November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to remove the Executive Session from the Agenda. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

#### Appointment to Board of Health

Chair Emily Davis reported a letter was received from the Baldwin County Health Department stating that Board of Health member Dr. Janet Harrison's term will expire December 31, 2023. Dr. Harrison is eligible for reappointment to serve in the position representing physicians and has agreed to serve another term on the Board of Health.

Commissioner Kendrick Butts made a motion to reappoint Dr. Janet Harrison to the Baldwin County Board of Health. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### Workforce Innovation and Opportunity (WIOA) Grant

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson reported the Middle Georgia Consortium and the Macon-Bill County Workforce areas have merged to become the Middle Georgia Workforce which now includes 11 counties. Due to this action, the grants also have to be merged into the Middle Georgia Workforce area for which Baldwin County continues to serve as fiscal agent.

Ms. Hudson presented the following grants for acceptance:

Dislocated Worker program award for the period 7/1/23 - 6/30/24 in the amount of \$49,699; Dislocated Worker program award for the period 1/1/23 - 12/31/23 in the amount of \$74,005; Dislocated Worker program award for the period 10/1/22 - 6/30/24 in the amount of \$214,458; Adult program award for the period 10/1/22 - 6/30/24 in the amount of \$234,054; and Youth program award for the period 4/1/22 - 6/30/24 in the amount of \$239,448.

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to accept all grant awards as presented and to authorize the Chair to execute grant documents. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### Ocmulgee Drug Task Force Intergovernmental Agreement

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson reported a new grant for the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force has been submitted and one requirement is the adoption of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the participating agencies. She stated the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force Agreement establishes mutual aid between the participating parties including law enforcement agencies, counties, cities, and district attorneys. The Agreement also defines responsibilities of each entity.

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement as presented and to authorize the Chair to execute the document. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### Hazard Mitigation Grant Award

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson stated Baldwin County has received a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Award in the amount of \$6,267.70 to purchase 200 weather radios to ensure that information being transmitted by the National Weather Service will be available to local government offices, schools, and hospitals. The grant has a federal share of \$5,640.93, a state share of \$251.07 and a local share of \$376.60 which will be paid through the EMA budget.

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to accept the Hazard Mitigation grant award as presented and to authorize the Chair to execute the documents. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

# OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the Board.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to come before the Board. COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no County Manager's Report.

# PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Linda Colwell, 114 Newport Road, addressed the Board expressing her opposition to a proposed multi-purpose trail to be located in her neighborhood.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily & Davis Chair hunningham Cynthia K. Cunningham County Clerk