

DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION MINUTES – MAY 5, 2016
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE
6:00PM

ROLL CALL: Those present were Chairman Berg; Commissioner Fausett, District 1; Commissioner Swafford, District 2; Commissioner Hamby, District 3; Commissioner Nix, District 4; County Attorney Homans; County Manager Dowling; County Clerk Yarbrough and interested citizens of Dawson County.

OPENING PRESENTATION:

National Drug Court Month Proclamation

Motion passed unanimously to approve the National Drug Court Month Proclamation as presented. Hamby/Fausett

Stacey Leonhardt and Tracy Walker – Dawson County Library

INVOCATION: Chairman Berg

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Berg

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Berg reminded everyone of the Arbor Day Ceremony taking place on Friday, May 6 at 1:00 p.m. over at Fire Station #2. Keep Dawson County Beautiful planned to honor Jane Berg for starting their organization and also for her dedication throughout the years.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion passed 3-0 to approve the minutes from the Voting Session held on April 21, 2016. Nix/Hamby- Commissioner Fausett abstained

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Move Agenda Item #10 to Item #1

Swafford/Nix

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dick McNeill

Chris Gaines- Comments read by Chairman Berg

Cathy Cox

ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARING:

None

ZONING:

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Electronic Cigarette Ordinance (2nd of 2 hearings- first hearing was held on April 21, 2016)

Chairman Berg opened the hearing and asked if there was anyone present who wished to be heard on the matter of the Electronic Cigarette Ordinance, and hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion made and passed unanimously to amend the ordinance to add language which would allow the smoking of tobacco products in designated areas only on property owned, leased, or operated by Dawson County, but no use of electronic or vape products on property owned, leased, or operated by Dawson County. Swafford/Fausett

Vacant and Burned Structures Ordinance (2nd of 2 hearings- first hearing was held on April 21, 2016)

Chairman Berg opened the hearing and asked if there was anyone present who wished to be heard on the matter of the Vacant and Burned Structures Ordinance, and hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Vacant and Burned Structure Ordinance as presented. Nix/Hamby

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Re-Consideration of Bid #265-16 RFP IT Servers- Revised (Tabled from the April 21, 2016 Voting Session)

Motion passed unanimously to award Bid #265-16 RFP IT Servers- Revised to the most responsive, responsible bidder, Dell Marketing LP, in the amount of \$226,879.47 and approve a contingency of \$23,120.53 for a total of \$250,000.00 to be paid from SPLOST V. Nix/Swafford

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of Request for additional funds to cover Juvenile Court court reporter expenses

Motion passed unanimously to approve the request for additional funds to cover Juvenile Court court reporter expenses. Nix/Hamby

Consideration of Department of Family and Children Services Budget Amendment Request

Motion passed 3-1 to approve the Department of Family and Children Services Budget Amendment Request. Fausett/Hamby- Commissioner Swafford voted against the motion

Consideration of Invitation to Bid- Shoal Creek Parcel to Grow Crops

Motion passed unanimously to award the Invitation to Bid – Shoal Creek Parcel to Grow Crops to the Wallace brothers for the purpose of growing corn at the price of \$200/year. Nix/Fausett

Consideration of Bid #271-16 RFP Ambulances for Dawson County Emergency Services

Motion passed unanimously to award Bid #271-16 RFP Ambulances for Dawson County Emergency Services to the most responsive, responsible bidder, Peach State Ambulance, Inc. out of Tyrone, Georgia for the purchase of three (3) ambulances as specified for a total expenditure of \$640,448.00 from SPLOST VI funds. Hamby/Nix

Consideration of Bid #268-16 RFP Heavy Equipment, #269-16 RFP Paving Equipment, and #270-16 RFP Tractor & Mowing Equipment Maintenance and Repair Services

Motion passed unanimously to award bids #268-16 RFP Heavy Equipment Maintenance & Repair, #269-16 RFP Paving Equipment Maintenance & Repair, and #270-16 RFP Tractor & Mowing Equipment Maintenance & Repair to the most responsive, responsible bidder Townley Construction, Inc. out of Dawsonville, Georgia. Hamby/Fausett

Consideration of Request for Budget Amendment for Drug Testing for Volunteer Firefighters

Motion passed unanimously to approve the request for Budget Amendment for Drug Testing for Volunteer Firefighters. Nix/Swofford

Consideration of Bid #273-16 RFP Athletic Field Rehabilitation for Dawson County Parks and Recreation

Motion passed unanimously to award Bid #273-16 RFP Athletic Field Rehabilitation for Dawson County Parks & Recreation to the most responsive, responsible bidder Athletic Construction, Inc. out of Oakwood, Georgia in the amount of \$121,190 and approve a 10% contingency of \$12,119 to be paid from SPLOST VI. Swofford/Hamby

Consideration of Traffic Signal Request for the intersection of State Route 53 and CVS Driveway

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Traffic Signal Request for the intersection of State Route 53 and CVS Driveway. Nix/Fausett

Consideration of Bid #272-16 IFB Rubber Track Skid Loader

Motion passed unanimously to award Bid #272-16 IFB Rubber Track Skid Loader to the most responsible, responsible bidder, Bobcat of Gwinnett, LLC/Bobcat of Atlanta from Atlanta, Georgia for the purchase price of one (1) rubber track skid loader for a total expenditure of \$55,561.06 to be paid from SPLOST VI funds. Hamby/Nix

Consideration of revised Etowah Water and Sewer Authority Fire Hydrant Intergovernmental Agreement

Motion made to approve the revised Etowah Water and Sewer Authority Fire Hydrant Intergovernmental Agreement. Swofford/

Chairman Berg stepped aside as Chairman in order to second the motion and turned the meeting over to most senior member of the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Nix.

After the motion was seconded, Chairman Berg took back control of the meeting.

Motion denied 1-3 to approve the revised Etowah Water and Sewer Authority Fire Hydrant Intergovernmental Agreement. Commissioners Fausett, Hamby, and Nix voted against the motion.

ADJOURNMENT:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Mike Berg, Chairman

Danielle Yarbrough, County Clerk