

COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020
9:30 O'CLOCK A.M.
JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM

Coffee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 20, 2020, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with the following present: Chairman Johnny Wayne Jowers, Vice-Chairman Oscar Paulk, Commissioners AJ Dovers, and Ted O'Steen. Also present were County Attorney Tony Rowell, County Clerk Tracie Vickers and County Administrator Wesley Vickers. Commissioner Jimmy Kitchens was absent.

Chairman Jowers called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Commissioner Paulk asked County Attorney Tony Rowell to give the invocation. Everyone participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Jowers announced National Day of Prayer is May 7th.

Chairman Jowers stated we will get direction from the Governor concerning any plans on reopening and will advise our Citizens as we know more.

Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the pre-meeting work session and regular meeting held on March 16, 2020 and the Special Called Meeting on March 25, 2020. The meeting for April 6, 2020 was canceled due to the declared Public Health State of Emergency for the State of Georgia issued on 3/14/20. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner O'Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Paulk made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner O'Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Attorney Rowell stated the County has received a request from Coffee Regional Medical Center to support a loan from Coffee County Hospital Authority to Coffee Regional Medical Center to meet the financial exigencies imposed by COVID-19. Attorney Rowell stated the hospital is not doing elective surgery at this time due to COVID-19. Coffee Regional Medical Center made the decision to protect patients and its resources and this has put a strain on the short-term cash flow. Attorney Rowell read the Resolution supporting this loan. Under the terms of this loan it will be paid back within one year. Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to approve the Resolution supporting a loan from Coffee County Hospital Authority to Coffee Regional Medical Center. Commissioner Paulk made a motion to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Dovers seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

County Administrator Vickers reviewed the First Quarter Financial Statements. Mr. Vickers stated the expenditures for the First Quarter is in good standing. He is concerned about a possible weakening in the revenues due to COVID-19. After reviewing each fund, Mr. Vickers stated the financial outlook for the County is solid.

County Administrator Vickers reviewed the list of vehicles to sale as surplus property. There are 14 total vehicles to be sold as surplus on Gov Deals. (10) Sheriff Vehicles, (3) pickup trucks and (1) MACK dump truck. Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to approve or reject the list of vehicles to sale as surplus property. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to approve the list. Commissioner O'Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

There were no comments from the audience.

Chairman Jowers asked the Community to please continue to pray for our Country and our County.

Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Paulk made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:52 a.m. o'clock. Commissioner O'Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

County Clerk

Chairman