

COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021
9:30 O'CLOCK A.M.
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM

Coffee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, January 4, 2021, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with the following present: Chairman Jowers, Vice-Chairman Oscar Paulk, Commissioners Jimmy Kitchens, Ted O'Steen and AJ Dovers. Also present were County Attorney Tony Rowell, County Administrator Wesley Vickers, and Deputy Clerk Abby Paulk. Also present were Agency Directors/Department Heads, the media and members of the public.

Chairman Jowers called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Commissioner Ted O'Steen asked County Fire Chief Steve Carver to give the invocation. Everyone participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Jowers stated the list of 2021 County Officers had been discussed in the work session. Chairman Jowers asked for a motion to approve the 2021 County Officers. Commissioner Kitchens made a motion to approve the following County Officers for 2021. Commissioner Dovers seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Chairman- Oscar Paulk
Vice Chairman – AJ Dovers
County Clerk – Tracie Vickers
Deputy Clerk – Princess Zachery
Deputy Clerk – Abby Paulk
County Attorney – Tony Rowell - Hall, Booth, Smith
County Auditor – Hurst and Hurst
Road Superintendent – Don Stokes
Assistant Road Superintendent – Wendell Troupe

The Commission meeting was turned over to Chairman Paulk.

Chairman Paulk announced the runoff election will be held tomorrow.

Commissioner Jowers announced that our County Clerk's husband passed away and his services will be held tomorrow. Please remember our County Clerk and everyone who has been affected by Covid-19.

Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the pre-meeting work session and the regular meeting held on December 7, 2020 and the special called meeting held on December 18, 2020. Commissioner Jowers made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Kitchens seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Kitchens seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Ms. Princess Zachery, Human Resources Director, recognized the retirement of Senior Citizens Director Ms. Connie Lott for 25 years with Coffee County. Ms. Lott has a total of 38 years with the Senior Aging Agency and the County combined. Ms. Princess Zachery thanked Ms. Lott for her service to Coffee County and the Senior Center. Ms. Lott recognized her Staff and commended them for their hard work and dedication to the Senior Center.

County Administrator Vickers reviewed the Engineering Services Contract with Statewide Engineering for Bud Hutcheson Road to construct drainage, widening and resurfacing improvements in the amount of \$266,575.00 for basic services and \$15,000.00 for any additional services. This is a TIA project and these funds will be reimbursed to the County by the Georgia Department of Transportation. Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve the Engineering services Contract for Bud Hutcheson Road. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to approve the Engineering Services for Bud Hutcheson Road with Statewide Engineering. Commissioner Jowers seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

County Administrator Vickers reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding for Victim Assistance Funds. Mr. Vickers stated that Coffee County will distribute these funds to the District Attorney’s office, Magnolia House and Sadie’s House. Sadie’s House, Magnolia House and Ware County District Attorney’s office will each receive 33.3 % each of these funds. Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve or reject the Memorandum of Understanding for Victim Assistance Funds. Commissioner Jowers made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. Commissioner O’Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to appoint the Board Members expiring December 31, 2020 for the following Boards:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023	Jimmy Kitchens
SOUTHERN GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021	Oscar Paulk
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY - DISTRICT #1	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022	Rosemary Street
(Hospital Authority will select one of the names)		Terry Oates
		Cato Grady
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY -DISTRICT #5	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023	Keith Phillips
(Hospital Authority will select one of the names)		Scott Day
		Johnny Johnson
BOARD OF HEALTH -	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021	Oscar Paulk
BOARD OF ELECTIONS -DISTRICT # 2	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024	Andy Thomas
BOARD OF ELECTIONS -DISTRICT #4	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024	Matthew McCullough
BOARD OF ELECTIONS-DISTRICT # 5	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024	Wendell Stone
FARMERS MARKET	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022	Ted O’Steen
FARMERS MARKET	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022	Kevin Tatum
OCMULGEE BLUE WAY COMMITTEE	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021	Tony Rowell
DOUGLAS-COFFEE COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY	JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024	Benny Dockery

Commissioner Kitchens read all appointments and also made a motion to approve the stated appointments to the respective Boards. Commissioner O’Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

County Administrator Wesley Vickers reviewed the updated County Maintained Road List for 2021. Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve or reject the updated County Maintained Road List. Commissioner Jowers made the motion to approve the updated County Maintained Road List. Commissioner Dovers seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

County Administrator Vickers presented the bids for the purchase of the Coffee County Fire Department SCBAs. The bids received were:

	Bid
SCBA Sales and Rentals LLC	\$120,399.80
Dalmatian Fire Equipment, Inc.	\$152,642.88 less sales tax for a total of \$141,386.00

Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to approve or reject the bids for the purchase of the Coffee County Fire Departments SCBA's. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to accept the low bid from SCBA Sales and Rentals LLC. Commissioner O'Steen seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Chairman Paulk asked for any comments from the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

Chairman Paulk asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Dovers made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:55 a.m. o'clock. Commissioner Jowers seconded the motion. All Commissioners unanimously agreed.

Deputy Clerk

Chairman