**JEFF DAVIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**TIME: 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Chairman Ricky Crosby, Vice Chairman Vann Wooten, Brad Crews, James Benjamin, and Hank Hobbs, Attorney Carla Powell, and Clerk Heather Scott

Chairman Crosby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner James Benjamin gave the invocation. Chairman Crosby led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David DeSousa address item 8 on the agenda, “to advertise for new member of tax assessor board,” Mr. DeSousa felt the application needed to be updated and brought in the State regulations, asking for things to be changed. He then stated at the end that it was still up to the local government to make the final decision on making who they decided to put on the board.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 8TH 2020, AND OCTOBER 26TH 2020**

**Motion:** To approve minutes for October 8th and October 26th Meeting.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVAL TO PAY MONTHLY BILLS**

**Motion:** Approve to pay monthly bills.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**OPEN SEALED BID FOR INSTALL OF METAL SHELTER**

There was only one sealed bid submitted

Southern Iron Structures-Scott Yawn

Total cost of Bid: $90, 000.00

**Motion:** To accept bid on 24x24, 20x225 including lights and electrical building

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY TO ADVERTISE FOR NEW MEMBER OF TAX ASSESSOR BOARD**

**Motion:** To approve to advertise for new member of tax assessor board

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried.**

**APPOINT MEMBER TO TOURISM BOARD**

**Motion:** to appoint Shanae Lewis to the board

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY TO ADVERTISE FOR NEW COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**Motion:** To approve to advertise for new county attorney

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY SPLITTING THE PAYMENT WITH THE CITY FOR THE SOFTWARE FOR THE WEATHER SIRENS**

County Clerk explained to the Commissioners that the bill would be split between the county and the city, coming out to $800 a piece. Chief Wasdin would make sure both get separate bills.

**Motion:** To approve splitting the payment with city for the software for the weather sirens

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY RESOLUTION FOR MITIGATION PLAN FOR COUNTY**

**Motion:** To approve resolution for mitigation plan for county

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENT RESOLUTION FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**Motion:** to approve resolution for solid waste management plan

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**REAPPOINT VANN WOOTEN TO THE HEART OF GEORGIA BOARD**

**Motion:** To reappoint Vann Wooten to the heart of Georgia board

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY LONG ENGINEERING REQUEST TO HAVE FIVE PRIVATE DRIVEWAY CONNECTIONS ONTO JEFF DAVIS COUNTY ROADS**

David McKenney Spoke for Long Engineering to connect five private drive ways to Jeff Davis County Roads, at Silicon Ranch. Commissioner Crews asked why so many? Mr. McKenney stated it was 90 acres and there were a lot of wetlands and could not connect internally.

**Motion:** To approve long engineering’s request to have five private driveway connections onto Jeff Davis County Roads

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVE/DENY THANKSGIVING ½ DAY ON NOVEMBER 25TH FOR EMPLOYEES**

**Motion:** To approve thanksgiving ½ day on November 25th for Employees

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**DISCUSS JEFF DAVIS COUNTY YOUTH CENTER**

Commissioner Benjamin brought up in 2012 the Youth Center was given a 500,000$ grant to renovate. The project did not get finished as proposed as classrooms and a concession stand were to be included. He is wanted to get a CBDG grant of 750,000 to finish the renovations. The county would need to put 5% up front approx. $22,000 to get started. County Clerk will look to get this started.

**DISCUSS EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Crews brought up the road department needing numerous types of new equipment; service truck, flat bed, semi, low boy, back hoe, and a wheel loader. All the trucks can be used other than the back hoe.

**Motion:** To look for new and used equipment for the road department.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried**

**ANNOUNCE COLOR CONTEST WINNERS**

Commissioner Brad Crews announced the winners, Miss Marley Huffaker and Miss Mary E Johnson. Congratulations from the Board of Commissioners.

**REQUEST WORKSHOP FOR NEW JAIL PROJECT – CHIEF DEPUTY KEITH REA**

Deputy Keith Rea requested a workshop to discuss the new jail on November 18th at 4 PM

**NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

New Business: Chairman Crosby stated Bill Quarterman Road is in bad shape and needs to have a pipe replaced as soon as possible, and asked if we could use the TIA SPLOST as emergency fund to get this job complete using Hooks Construction costing 39,500$.

**Motion:** to us the TIA Splost to replace pipe on Bill Quarterman Road

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried**

Old Business: There are three roads that would be in the best interest to close them. Pleasant/Burns Road, Hand Lane, and Georgia Lane (north end of Hugh McDaniel Road.) Attorney Powell will get it in the paper and set up the Public Hearing.

**Motion:** to advertise to have Attorney start process of road closures

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried**

**Adjourn – 6:47 P.M.**

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Heather Scott, Clerk Ricky Crosby, Chairman