

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on August 25, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex.

Members Present

Vice Chairman Charles Turk
Commissioner David Duckett
Commissioner Danny Maxwell
Commissioner Sammy Reece

Members Absent

Chairman Jimmy Hooper

Staff Present

County Clerk Jenni Gailey
Assistant County Clerk Erin Decker
Human Resources Officer Arlene Ivey
Finance Officer Randy Failyer
County Attorney Randall Frost
Fire Chief Steve Nichols
E911/EMA Director Deidra Moore

Media Present

None

1. Call to Order

Vice Ch. Turk called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Sammy Reece
Second: Danny Maxwell
Vote: 4:0
All aye votes and the motion passed.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Ch. Turk led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Tabled: HMPG 4338 Grant Application/Agreement – Jail/Fire Station 25 Generators Deidra Moore & Steve Nichols

Motion to remove the item from the table: Sammy Reece
Second: Danny Maxwell
Vote: 4:0
All aye votes and the motion passed.

Deidra Moore E911/EMA Director stated that the County had received notification on a grant that was received as a result of Hurricane Irma.

Steve Nichols Fire Chief stated that there were four bidders and the low bid was Gen Tech. He stated there were some discrepancies with the Gen Tech bid. He further stated SD Solutions was the second

lowest bidder and he would prefer for them to provide the generator since they already service and maintain the current generators the County owns.

Motion to approve SD Solutions as the generator provider in the amount of \$30,506.31 which included three years maintenance: Sammy Reece

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 4:0

All aye vote and motion passed.

(Copy of Grant Award filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2)

5. Delete Condition for Lighted Sidewalks on Rezone #Z-19-04 Capstone Acquisitions

Vice Ch. Turk stated that GDOT needed additional right-of-way on Steven Tanger Extension and the sidewalks would be removed by GDOT if they were installed by Capstone Acquisitions.

Motion to delete the condition of the lighted sidewalks: Danny Maxwell

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

6. Water Meter Renter Responsibility for Rental Property transfer from Tenant to Landowner

Vice Ch. Turk stated currently the water meter was the responsibility of the renter and there had been 259 renters that had moved and left uncollectable water bills in the amount of \$19,203.25. He further stated he would like to see the procedure changed where the land owner would be responsible for the meter and water bill.

Motion to change the responsibility of the water meter belong to the land owners name whether rental and residential property: Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

7. Zero Turn Mower Purchase – Public Utilities

Ch. Turk stated Chris Jacobs with Wastewater had contacted him stating a mower that was 10 – 12 years old needed to be replaced. Mr. Jacobs had received 3 quotes. Currently they have a mower that was previously purchased from Swinehart's so they could use the same parts on both mowers if needed.

Motion to purchase a mower from Swinehart's in the amount of \$11,487.00: Danny Maxwell

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

8. University of Georgia Memo of Understanding Signature

Vice Ch. Turk stated this was an annual MOU with UGA for salaries for 4-H/Extension Service.

Motion to ratify Vice Ch. Turk's signature and approve the MOU: Sammy Reece

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and motion passed.

(Copy of MOU filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2)

9. Purchasing Policy

Randy Failyer Finance Officer stated he would like to amend the Purchasing Policy as follows:

Tire 1 - \$1,000.00 - \$10,000.00 P.O. required

Tier 2 - \$10,000.01 - \$20,000.00 P.O. and 3 written quotes required.

Motion to amend the purchasing policy: Danny Maxwell

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of Resolution filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2) 2020-15

10. Executive Session: Personnel

Motion to enter into executive session concerning personnel: Charles Turk

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the executive session began at 6:45 p.m.

Motion to close the executive session: Danny Maxwell

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the executive session ended at 7:00 p.m.

Unpaid Medical Leave Request

Motion to approve unpaid medical leave of one week for an employee that does not qualify for FMLA:

Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

District 4 Commissioner Resignation

Vice Chairman Charles Turk tendered his resignation as District 4 Commissioner effective August 31, 2020.

Chairman Appointment

Motion to appoint Charles Turk Chairman Elect as Chairman effective September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020: Sammy Reece

Second: David Duckett

Abstain: Charles Turk

Vote: 3:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

Vice Chairman Appointment

Motion to appoint Danny Maxwell as Vice Chairman as of September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021:

Charles Turk

Second: David Duckett

Abstain: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 3:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

District 4 Commissioner Appointment

Motion to appoint Commissioner Elect Keith Gardiner, if he was in agreement, to complete District 4 Commissioner term as of October 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020.

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of Affidavit filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2)

11.Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Sammy Reece

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 4:0

All aye votes and the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk
