

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Jamie Gardner from the Baxley News Banner and Joe Taylor. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present at this meeting.

Commissioner Boatright led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the minutes of the Work Session held on December 6, 2017 and the Regular Meeting held on December 6, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY/CONSENT FORM, SAFETY COORDINATOR RESOLUTION, SEAT BELT POLICY

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the Substance Abuse Policy/Consent form, the Safety Coordinator Resolution and the Seat Belt Policy. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

(Insert Substance Abuse Policy/Consent Form, Safety Coordinator Resolution & Seat Belt Policy)

NEW BUSINESS

2012 SPLOST PROJECTS – JAIL ADDITION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve placement on the March Election Ballot of the redirecting of funds allocated for the Jail Addition on the 2012 SPLOST to instead be used for the construction of a Judiciary Complex. This motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

TAX ASSESSOR EQUIPMENT UPGRADE

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Tax Assessor Equipment Upgrade of the computers and server in the amount of \$6,823 with the funds for the purchase coming out of Administrative Contingency. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

DFACS BUILDING REPAIRS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that the stucco is starting to deteriorate on the DFACS building. A quote has been obtained for the cost to redo the stucco on the building. Mr. Lewis will be working on obtaining an additional quote for the repair work before a decision is made to move forward with the DFACS Building repairs.

BOARD OF ELECTION APPOINTMENTS

The Board agreed to wait until the next meeting to make a decision on Board of Election Appointments.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to reappoint Daryl Edwards, Mike Dyal and Jamie Hughes to the Library Board. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

2017 BOARD MEETING DATES & TIMES

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to keep the Board Meeting dates and times as it has been with one Regular Meeting the first Tuesday of every month with the meeting beginning at 5:30 pm except for the Regular scheduled meeting for July which will be held on July 11th instead of July 4th due to the Fourth of July Holiday. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

2017 VICE CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to appoint Commissioner Boatright to serve as the 2017 Vice Chairman. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that the Road Department has started back on road grading.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that the construction of the Concerted Services Senior Center/Head Start is ahead of schedule.

Mr. Lewis also reported that Hofstadter and Associates have made corrections to the Community Development Block Grant for the City of Surrency that was previously submitted but not approved and may be resubmitted for consideration if the Board desires to resubmit it. The Board was in agreement to resubmit the CDBG Grant for the City of Surrency.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis reminded the Commissioners that the Annual Chamber Banquet will be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and the Legislative Conference will be February 20-21, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Wilkerson was not present to vote at this meeting.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Jamie Gardner from the Baxley News Banner and Joe Taylor.

Commissioner Boatright led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 3, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Christopher Jones addressed the Board concerning the Veteran's Crisis Hotline and provided the Commissioners with information to hand out to Veterans in the community.

OLD BUSINESS

BOARD OF ELECTION APPOINTMENTS

The representatives on the Board of Elections from Districts II, IV and V are up for appointment/reappointment.

Board of Elections

Appointee	Effective Date	Term	Term End Date
Jimmy Johnson-Countywide <i>Appt by Lewis Parker</i>	January 1, 2015	*4 years	December 31, 2018
Samantha Craven-District I <i>Appt by Sarah Boatright</i>	January 1, 2015	*4 years	December 31, 2018
Gerry Moore-District II <i>Appt by Theodore Wilkerson</i>	July 1, 2013	*4 years	December 31, 2016
Dean Collins-District III <i>Appt by Daryl Edwards</i>	January 1, 2015	*4 years	December 31, 2018
Rodney Williams-District IV <i>Appt by Ronnie Rentz</i>	July 1, 2013	*4 years	December 31, 2016
Roger Cain-District V <i>Appt by Charlie Leggett</i>	July 1, 2013	*4 years	December 31, 2016

**Each Board of Election appointee term will run concurrent with Commissioner appointed by*

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to reappoint Gerry Moore as representative for District II and Roger Cain as representative for District V on the Board of Elections. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rentz will make the appointment/reappointment for District IV at the next Board meeting.

E.J. PARKER POOL REPAIRS

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board that he is working on getting prices together for the E.J. Parker Pool Repair.

NEW BUSINESS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to submit the Comprehensive Plan Update. Motion carried unanimously.

REGIONAL COMMISSION MEMBER APPOINTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to reappoint Ronald Burkett to the Regional Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

SEASONAL EMPLOYEE –ROAD DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve hiring four seasonal part time employees at the Road Department. Motion carried unanimously.

BEAVER BOUNTY

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to raise the Beaver Bounty from \$25 to \$40 until December 31, 2017 on a trial basis to see if the increase in the bounty will help reduce the amount of beavers and damage to county roads caused by the beaver dams. Motion carried unanimously.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier expressed his appreciation of all of the assistance and cooperation he received from Road Department employees, other county departments and many more throughout the Community during the cleanup and repair work of county roads after the tornado that touched down in the county.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that the construction of the Concerted Services Senior Center/Head Start is ahead of schedule and is expected to be completed by June.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis reminded the Commissioners that the Legislative Conference will be February 20-21, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 7, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Joe Taylor was present to video the meeting.

Commissioner Wilkerson led the pledge to the flag.

County Attorney Bob Highsmith gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING-ROAD ABANDONMENT (HAIRE ROAD)

There was no one present at the meeting in opposition of the abandonment of Haire Road. Several supporters of the road abandonment were in attendance including one of the adjoining property owners.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

2012 SPLOST-JAIL ADDITION REALLOCATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to rescind the motion made at the Regular Meeting in January approving placement on the March Election Ballot of the redirecting of funds allocated for the Jail Addition on the 2012 SPLOST to instead be used for the construction of a Judiciary Complex. This motion carried unanimously.

BOARD OF ELECTION APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the reappointment of Rodney Williams as the representative for District IV on the Board of Elections. Motion carried unanimously.

E.J. PARKER POOL REPAIRS

The following bids were submitted for consideration for the E.J. Parker Pool repair:

Pump Replacement and Installation

Swim-pro Statesboro, GA	<i>Replace 7 ½ HP pump and strainer with necessary re-piping</i>	\$ 7,240
	<i>Chip and prep shallow end walls and floor of pool, install new step tile, apply bond kote, re-plaster with white mar cite</i>	\$11,200
Pope Concrete Pools Waycross, GA	<i>Replacement of 7 ½ HP pump (Price does not include installation, installation of the pump will not be done by Pope Concrete Pools)</i>	\$ 5,200
	<i>Prep and re-plaster the shallow end of the pool Price includes labor, materials and cleanup</i>	\$11,050

Backwash Controller and Installation

Janco360 Birmingham, AL	<i>BECSys backwash controller and Filter Interface Panel, 5yr electronics warranty, exact same set up already in place at the other pool. Includes all necessary installation materials and all new high pressure poly tubing. Installation of quoted equipment during normal business hours</i>	\$ 9,388
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A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the bid from Swimpro in the amount of \$7,240 for the replacement and installation of the pump and \$11,200 for the re-plaster work at the E.J. Parker Pool. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the bid of \$9,388 from Janco360 for the BECSys backwash controller and the Filter Interface Panel at the E.J. Parker Pool. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

HAIRE ROAD ABANDONMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the abandonment of Haire Road. This motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL LMIG FUNDING

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to submit Satilla Church Road as the project to be considered for the additional LMIG Funding available. Motion carried unanimously.

MULTIMODAL GRANT OPPORTUNITY

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board of the Multimodal Grant Opportunity, a state-funded program created to support the transportation needs of transit users, pedestrians and bicyclists through infrastructure projects that address existing gaps along state routes. Mr. Lewis recommended submitting the construction of a sidewalk on Highway 15 from Auburn Street to Satilla Church Road for the Multimodal Grant Opportunity. The approximate cost of the project is \$50,000 and the matching funds for this project is \$15,000. Mr. Lewis will meet with City Manager Jeff Baxley to see if the City would be interested in splitting the cost of the matching funds for this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to submit submitting the construction of a sidewalk on Highway 15 from Auburn Street to Satilla Church Road for the Multimodal Grant Opportunity.

ROAD DEPARTMENT BARROW PIT

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to issue a payment to Loyal Taylor in the amount of \$11,512.50 for the use of dirt from a barrow pit located on Mr. Taylor's property on Red Oak Road. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE HIRE RECOMMENDATIONS

This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that clean-up is still being done from the tornado. Mr. Rozier also reported that the weather will soon be ideal for contractors to start paving. As the weather continues to warm up, mowing will also begin.

Mr. Rozier informed the Board that work is being done on Henry Thomas Road to prepare for paving and that paving on Harmony Church Road should be completed by the next Board meeting.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was nothing to report on Buildings and Grounds at this time.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that he, Mr. Rozier, Commissioner Rentz and Commissioner Edwards met with the Department of Transportation Commissioner last week to discuss projects in Appling County and the meeting went very well.

Mr. Lewis reported that early voting has begun for the upcoming 2018 SPLOST and as of today, 39 people has voted.

Mr. Lewis reminded the Board that Peaches to Beaches will be March 10th and 11th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, a motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve to hire Alain Girard for the Mechanic Position, Devin Edwards for the Equipment Operator II position and Jerry Howard, Katherine Sellers, Dale Murray and Adam Davis for the Seasonal part time positions at the county road department. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 4, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Jamie Gardner from the Baxley News Banner and Joe Taylor to video the meeting.

Commissioner Rentz led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Edwards gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION

William Teston and Debbie Herrington were recognized by the Board upon their retirement for the years of dedicated service to the County.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jack Hardee addressed the Board requesting that the Appling County War Veteran's Beer and Wine License be restored.

PROCLAMATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Crime Victims Week Proclamation proclaiming that the week of April 9th-15th as National Crime Victims Week. Motion carried unanimously.

The Crime Victim's Memorial Service will be held at the Sheriff's Office on April 11th at 8:00pm.

(Insert Proclamation)

OLD BUSINESS

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK REVISION-PERSONAL TIME OFF (PTO)

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the Employee Handbook Revision as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Full-time employees that have accrued PTO may sell hours depending on the current employment status of the employee and at the discretion of the County Commissioners. Employees that have accrued at least 120 hours will be allowed to sell 40 hours of leave annually. Employees that have accrued 240 hours of leave will be allowed to sell 80 hours of leave annually. If an employee that is allowed to sell 40 hours of leave at the beginning of the year reaches the 120 hour threshold prior to the end of the year, then the employee will be allowed to sell an additional 40 hours of PTO. The maximum allowance an employee may sell in a calendar year is 80 hours. No exceptions will be made.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 LMIG PROJECT LIST

The following information was provided to the Commissioners:

PROPOSED 2018 LMIG COST ESTIMATE

Road Name	Begin	End	Type Work	Miles	Cost
Davis Landing Road	Lennox	EOP	Resurface	2.672	\$ 332,000
Dunns Lake Road	SR 4	Ben Carter	Resurface	0.645	\$ 75,000
Nails Ferry Road	SR 4	Donnie Lewis	Sidewalk	.57	\$ 70,000
Thornton Road	Pvmt Joint	Poor Robin	Reclaim	1.34	\$ 272,000
Fireline Road	Piney Bluff	Midway Church	Resurface	1.37	\$ 175,000
County Farm Road	County Farm Ext	Bridge N of Buckhead	Resurface	4.00	\$ 367,888
				10.597	\$1,291,888
2017 LMIG Formula \$1,056,030 including 10% match					
2018 LMIG Formula \$1,140,512 including the potential 8% increase & 10% match					
*\$151,376 over LMIG Formula + \$103,683 10% match= (\$255,000)					

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the proposed 2018 LMIG Cost Estimate. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE-HERITAGE DEVELOPERS

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the request from Heritage Developers to accept Alan Drive into the County Road System. Motion carried unanimously.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENT-DISTRICT V

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board that Henry Jones, representative for District V on the Recreation Board has resigned. An appointment needs to be made to fill this vacancy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to appoint Stormie Alexander to the Recreation Board to fill the unexpired term of Henry Jones upon his resignation. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Alexander will serve the remainder of Mr. Jones' unexpired term which will end on December 31, 2020.

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT

The following member of the Development Authority Board is up for reappointment with their term expiring on April 30, 2017:

James Clark
Andy Orvin
Mike Cleland
Esco Hall

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to reappoint James Clark to the Development Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to reappoint Andy Orvin to the Development Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to appoint Mickey Bass for the seat held by Mike Cleland on the Development Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to appoint James Futch for the seat held by Esco Hall on the Development Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

TAX ASSESSOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the Resolution appointing Lake Carter to the Board of Assessors for a term of four years from April 25, 2014 to January 1, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REGULATION ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Environmental Health Regulation Enforcement Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sheriff Mark Melton reported that since he has taken office the Appling County Sheriff's Office is now fully staffed. The Sheriff's Office is now using the Drug Task Force Building and is about to move a third staff member to the Drug Task Force Building.

Mr. Melton reported that he is working on updating the Sheriff's Office Policy since it hasn't been updated since 2000.

The Lock it or Lose It Campaign is currently being implemented stressing to citizens to reduce theft by locking the doors of their cars, houses, buildings, etc. Also, "Are you ok?", a campaign created to check in on Senior Citizens will be implemented soon.

Mr. Melton informed the Board that the Crime Victim's Memorial Service will be held at the Sheriff's Office on April 11th at 8:00pm.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Road Project Manager Hayden Rozier reported that ditching, digging pits and mowing will begin next week as the warmer weather approaches.

Mr. Rozier reported that construction on Red Oak Road widening will be completed soon.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that construction of the Senior Center/Head Start is coming along well and the gutter and downspouts have just been installed. This project is expected to be completed by the beginning of June.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis reminded the Board of the upcoming Hospital appointments that will need to be made in June. He also reminded the Board about the ACCG Conference that will be held April 27th until May 1st.

The Board will have a Work Session on Tuesday April 18th at 3:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
APRIL 18, 2017
3:00 P.M.

The Work Session of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Daryl Edwards, Charlie Leggett, Theodore Wilkerson, Sarah Boatright, Ronnie Rentz and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris.

Commissioner Boatright led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

OLD BUSINESS

JAIL ADDITION

Sheriff Mark Melton is ready to move forward with the Jail Addition Project.

The Board discussed contracting out someone to oversee upcoming construction projects and was in agreement to allow County Manager to put together a RFP.

CURRENT BUILDING PROJECTS

The Senior Center/Head Start Building will be completed soon. The current Senior Center will be vacant once relocated. This building is suitable for the Food Bank to use. The Board was in agreement to allow the Food Bank to use this building once it is vacated, if approved by the Board of Education.

LIBRARY RENOVATION

The Board discussed requesting grant funding for next summer a library renovation project that may be approved for grant funding as early as July of 2018.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 SPLOST PROJECTS

The Board discussed particulars relating to the 2018 SPLOST projects in order to be able to proceed.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

The following Road Construction information was presented to the Board:

District I

Piney Bluff Road \$ 800,000

District II

Old Field Cemetery Road (portion) \$ 765,000

District III

Carter's Bight \$ 777,000

District IV

Reese Road \$1,200,000

District V

Orvin Road/Johnson Road \$ 785,000

District I

Sweet Gum \$ 224,000

District II

Cray Road \$ 190,000

District III

Carter's Bight \$ 285,000

District IV

Howard Brannen \$ 125,000

District V

Crosby Chapel (base & pave) \$ 225,000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to go into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to close Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no action taken after reconvening from Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 2, 2017
5:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting. Also present at the meeting was the Boy Scout Troop 472 and members of the Board of Election and Registration.

The Boy Scout Troop 472 led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 4, 2017 and the Work Session held on April 18, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

BOY SCOUTS OF TROOP 472

Mathew Adams of Boy Scout Troop 472 addressed the Board informing them of the upcoming flag retirement ceremony. The Flag Retirement Ceremony will be held at the Appling County Water Works Park at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 22, 2017. The public is invited to attend this special event and to learn about the history behind the flag and the proper way to retire a flag once it is no longer serviceable.

GERRY SOLOMAN

Gerry Solomon addressed the Board expressing the desire to see more activities during the summer for the youth of Appling County. Mr. Solomon also expressed the desire to see more use out of the recently renovated gym at the Earnest J. Parker Park.

OLD BUSINESS

POLL PRECINCT REDUCTION-BOARD OF ELECTION

The following proposal was received from the Board of Election and Registration:

APPLING COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTION AND REGISTRATION
MAY 2, 2017

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO CONSOLIDATE APPLING COUNTY VOTING PRECINCTS

PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. 21-2-262, THE APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION ARE PROPOSING TO
CONSOLIDATE ALL FOURTEEN (14) VOTING PRECINCTS USED ON ELECTION DAY INTO FIVE (5) CENTRAL VOTING
PRECINCT

LOCATED AT:

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
LIONS CLUB BLDG
EXTENSION EDU BLDG
BAXLEY CHURCH OF GOD/FELLOWSHIP HALL
BAXLEY CITY GYM

DISTRICT:

DISTRICT 1
DISTRICT 2
DISTRICT 3
DISTRICT 4
DISTRICT 5

ADDRESS OF POLL SITE:

3397 PLANT HATCH PKWY N
245 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE
83 SOUTH OAK STREET
353 BLACKSHEAR HIGHWAY
252 WEST PARKER STREET

THE PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATING THE CURRENT 14 VOTING PRECINCTS IS TO REDUCE VOTER CONFUSION ON ELECTION DAY BY HAVING ONLY FIVE POLLING PLACES AS WELL AS TO REDUCE THE COST TO TAX PAYERS BY REDUCING ELECTION SUPPLIES, POLL WORKERS, COST OF REPLACING ELECTION EQUIPMENT AND COST OF UPKEEP OF POLLING PLACES.

WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF VOTING BY MAIL FOR 45 DAYS PRIOR TO EACH FEDERAL AND STATE ELECTION AND EARLY VOTING AT THE APPLING COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE FOR 3 WEEKS PRIOR TO EACH ELECTION, IT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN THE 14 PRECINCT IN APPLING COUNTY. ELECTION LAWS HAVE CHANGED THAT ONCE REQUIRED A VOTING PRECINCT FOR EACH DISTRICT.

THE APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION AND REGISTRATION WILL HOLD TWO HEARINGS ON THIS PROPOSED CHANGE FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE VOTERS OF APPLING COUNTY, GA. THE FIRST HEARING WILL BE HELD JUNE ____ AT 5:30 PM IN THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, 69 TIPPINS STREET, BAXLEY, GA. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS HEARING ANOTHER HEARING WILL BE HELD JUNE ____ AT 5:00 PM AT THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM BESIDE THE BOARD OF ELECTION AND REGISTRATION AT 69 TIPPINS STREET, BAXLEY, GA.

ANYONE WISHING TO OBJECT TO THIS CONSOLIDATION SHALL DO SO IN WRITING STATING THE REASON FOR SUCH OBJECTION AND MAY FILE SUCH OBJECTIONS WITH THE APPLING COUNTY ELECTION SUPERVISOR, DONNA H CARTER, 69 TIPPINS STREET SUITE 205 BAXLEY, GA 31513. SUCH FILING MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JUNE ____ AT 4:30 PM.

FOR QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CONTACT DONNA H CARTER, ELECTION SUPERVISOR AT (912) 367-8113 OR (912) 367-5376.

After some discussion on this issue, the Board was in agreement to allow for the public hearings to be held in June for the proposed changes for the consolidation of the voting precincts to allow for the public's input.

COASTAL PINES TE PROJECT RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Coastal Pines TE Project Resolution and authorize County Manager Lee Lewis to sign documents relating to the Coastal Pines TE Project. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS

The following Board Members have agreed to serve an additional three year term as a member of the Baxley and Appling County Hospital Authority:

Greg Kennedy *County*
Jesse Alderman *City*
Jeffrey Simmons *County*

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to reappoint Greg Kennedy and Jeffrey Simmons to the Hospital Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

TRIPLE A ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that Mrs. Alice Coleman will no longer be able to serve on the Triple A Advisory Council due to health reasons.

A recommendation has been made by the Triple A Advisory Council for the Board to appoint Ann Martin who resides on Highway 144 to serve in the seat previously held by Mrs. Coleman.

GEORGIA INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICE AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the Georgia Indigent Defense Service Agreement for a total amount of \$93,491. Motion carried unanimously.

SPLOST 2018 ROAD PROJECT LIST

The following Road Project list was presented to the Board for approval:

District I	
Piney Bluff Road	\$ 800,000
District II	
Old Field Cemetery Road (Doc McTier-Oscar Tippins)	\$ 765,000
District III	
Carter's Bight	\$ 777,000
District IV	
Reese Road	\$1,200,000
District V	
Orvin Road/Vasco Johnson Road	\$ 785,000
District I	
Sweet Gum (to Belly Acres)	\$ 224,000
District II	
Fleming Road	\$ 190,000
District III	
Carter's Bight	\$ 285,000
District IV	
Howard Brannen	\$ 125,000
District V	
Crosby Chapel (base & pave)	\$ 225,000

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the 2018 Road Project List as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD DEPARTMENT TRAILER

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of a Big Tex Trailer from Coastal in the amount of \$17,780.45 to haul equipment at the Road Department. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD DEPARTMENT TRUCK PURCHASE

Road Projects Manager Hayden Rozier and County Shop Mechanic Kevin Green located equipment at the auction and would like for the Board to approve the purchase of the following equipment:

2012	Ford F150	\$10,500
2009	Ford F150	\$13,000
2004	Ford F150	\$ 4,500
2009	Ford F150	\$10,000
	Kabota 1700	\$ 4,750
	Buyers Premium	\$ 4,275
Total		\$47,025

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of the equipment for a total amount of \$47,025. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD DEPARTMENT SEASONAL WORKER(S)

This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

SHERIFF'S REPORT- MARK MELTON

Mr. Melton was not present at this meeting.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that he currently has seven dump trucks in the fleet and only three is in use at the Road Department. One dump truck is being used at the Landfill due to the CAT Pan being down and three are out of service. Mr. Rozier requested that the Board send out bids to trade in three of the Dump Trucks.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that construction of the Senior Center/Head Start is coming along well and should be able to start moving into by the end of July.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board that Ben Heirs will be working in the Administrative office for a few weeks as a Summer Intern.

The Board will have a Work Session on Tuesday, May 16th at 3:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, a motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to hire Sean Rooks as a seasonal worker at the Road Department.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
MAY 16, 2017
3:00 P.M.

The Work Session of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Daryl Edwards, Charlie Leggett, Theodore Wilkerson, Sarah Boatright, Ronnie Rentz and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris.

Commissioner Rentz led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Edwards gave the invocation.

OLD BUSINESS

OAK STREET ROOF REPAIR

Pineland Mental Health has been moved out of the Oak Street Complex due to water getting into the building when it rains due to the roof issues. Public Maintenance Supervisor Jimbo Crapps has been advised to obtain temporary cover for the roof.

The architect is currently drawing up plans for a gabled metal roof for the building.

DFACS BUILDING STUCCO REPAIR

Two bid have been obtained for the DFACS Building Stucco Repair:

Tyko Construction	\$12,587.85
Superior	\$ 9,800.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the bid of \$9,800 from Superior for the DFACS Building Stucco Repair. Motion carried unanimously.

JAIL ADDITION

A recommendation is expected to be made in the first part of June for a construction manager for the Jail Addition.

NEW BUSINESS

FY 2018 BUDGET REVIEW

County Manager Lee Lewis provided the Board with information pertaining to the FY 2018 Budget for their review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to go into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition and personnel.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no action taken after reconvening from Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 6, 2017
5:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting.

Commissioner Boatright led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 2, 2017 and the Work Session held on May 16, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS

At the last Regular Board meeting, the Board approved to reappoint Jeffrey Simmons and Greg Kennedy to the Hospital Authority Board. Three names should have been submitted for each seat for the Hospital Authority to select from the nominations. At the next Board meeting, three names need to be submitted for each seat by the Board of Commissioners to allow the Hospital Board to appoint/reappoint a member from the names given by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

BID OPENING DUMP TRUCK BIDS

The Dump Truck bids were opened and are as follows:

<i>Transpower</i>	<i>\$136,505.15 each</i>	<i>\$10,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i> <i>\$12,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i> <i>\$20,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>
<i>Freightliner</i>	<i>\$122,932.00 each</i>	<i>\$14,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i> <i>\$14,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i> <i>\$25,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>
<i>Rush Truck Center</i>	<i>\$130,940.99 each</i>	<i>\$ 9,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i> <i>\$15,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i> <i>\$20,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>

The Board agreed to allow Hayden Rozier and Tena Dyal to review the Dump Truck bids and make a recommendation to the Board at the next meeting.

COURTHOUSE ROOF REPAIR

Two bids were obtained for the Courthouse Roof Repair and they were as follows:

Grimes Construction *\$42,100*

DVM Construction *\$38,425*

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the low bid of \$38,425 from DVM Construction for the Courthouse Roof Repair. Motion carried unanimously.

OAK STREET ROOF REPAIR

Pineland Mental Health has been moved out of the Oak Street Complex due to the increasing number of leaks when it rains. Public Works Maintenance Supervisor Jimbo Crapps has obtained a temporary cover for the roof to help prevent further damage due to the leak.

Architect Scott Fry has finished the drawings for a gabled metal roof for this building. The cost to reroof the buildings at the complex is expected to be approximately \$150,000-\$175,000 per building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to obtain two bids for this project so a decision can be made at the next Board meeting for the Oak Street Roof Repair. Motion carried unanimously.

AIR EVAC – SITE MUNICIPAL PLAN

AirMedCare Network is offering a Municipal Site Plan for a cost of \$63,658. If approved, this plan will allow any individual of the municipality purchasing the plan to be covered under the standard terms and conditions for an AirMedCare Network membership when transported for medical necessity by an AirMedCare Network Provider. Under this plan, the transport must be from a pickup location within the preset boundaries of the municipality. If the covered person transported is uninsured at the time of transport, AirMedCare Network will bill the covered person at the “Medicare Allowable Rate” for the transport.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the AirEvac Site Municipal Plan to cover every citizen of Appling County under this plan in the amount of \$63,658. Motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF’S REPORT- MARK MELTON

Investigator Jerry Baxley and Deputy Kenny Wright was present at the meeting on Sheriff Mark Melton’s behalf due to the Sheriff attending a meeting out of town.

Mr. Baxley reported that the Sheriff’s Office is currently fully staffed with Jailers and Deputies. Mr. Baxley informed the Board that a second person this year has been sent to the Police Academy for training and a third deputy is attending training for the Champs Program. The Sheriff’s Office currently has two drug dogs and looking into obtaining a third drug dog to further assist in drug searches and programs at the schools. The Sheriff’s Office is in the beginning stages of forming a search and rescue team in Appling County.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that the permit has been received for the safety sidewalk on Highway 15 South. Mr. Rozier also reported that testing will be done on Thursday for a possible site for a borrow pit off of Ten Mile Road. Studies are being done in the Shady Acres area to try to find a solution to the drainage issue for excess water in that area when there is an abundance of rain. A quit claim deed is expected to be received from Tomberlin & Associates soon to get to DOT on the 341 turning lane project. The expected completion date for this project is April 30, 2017. The contractor working on completing the Thornton Road project will be utilizing, Carroll & Carroll a contractor out of Savannah, Georgia to help get this project completed within the next couple of weeks.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was nothing to report on Buildings and Grounds at this time.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT/COMMENTS

County Manager Lee Lewis reminded the Board of the following upcoming events:

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| ○ Poll Precinct Public Hearing | June 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm |
| ○ Tour of Appling Healthcare/Dinner | June 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm |
| ○ Appling LEADS Graduation | June 20, 2017 at 6:00 pm |
| ○ Work Session | June 27, 2017 at 3:00 pm |

Mr. Lewis also reminded the Board that the Board of Elections appointments/reappointments will need to be made at the next Board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CALLED MEETING/WORKSESSION
JUNE 27, 2017
3:00 P.M.**

The Called Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Charlie Leggett and Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Jamie Gardner of the Baxley News Banner. Commissioner Boatright was not present at this meeting.

Commissioner Wilkerson led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

OLD BUSINESS

BID APPROVAL-DUMP TRUCK(S)

The Dump Truck bids were opened at the last meeting and were as follows:

<i>Transpower</i>	<i>\$136,505.15 each</i>	<i>\$10,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i>
		<i>\$12,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i>
		<i>\$20,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>
<i>Freightliner</i>	<i>\$122,932.00 each</i>	<i>\$14,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i>
		<i>\$14,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i>
		<i>\$25,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>
<i>Rush Truck Center</i>	<i>\$130,940.99 each</i>	<i>\$ 9,000 trade in for 1997 Kenworth DT</i>
		<i>\$15,000 trade in for 2000 International DT</i>
		<i>\$20,000 trade in for 2006 International DT</i>

Mr. Rozier has reviewed the bids and made a recommendation that the Board accept the low bid of \$122,932 per dump truck from Freightliner and trade in one dump truck and surplus the others that are out of service or in need of repair at a later date. The total purchase of the four dump trucks after trade in will be \$466,728. T-SPLOST funds will be used for the purchase of the dump trucks.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the purchase out of T-SPLOST Funds from Freightliner of four dump trucks the total amount of \$466,728 after trade in. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Boatright was not present to vote at this meeting.

NORTHWESTERN BENEFIT HEALTH PLAN PROPOSAL

Julie Greer from Northwestern Benefit provided the Board with options for the upcoming renewal of the county's health plan.

JAIL ADDITION PROJECT

Sheriff Mark Melton reported that he has met with the Architect about getting a construction manager in place to handle the Jail Addition Project and would like the Boards approval on moving forward with the process of obtaining a Construction Manager for this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to allow Sheriff Mark Melton to move forward with the process of obtaining a Construction Manager for the Jail Addition Project. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Boatright was not present to vote at this meeting.

OAK STREET ROOF REPAIR

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that he has had several people to inquire about the Oak Street Roof Repair and is going to start the formal bid process for the repair work.

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS

The following names were submitted for the Hospital Appointments/reappointments:

Greg Kennedy:	1. Greg Kennedy	179 Woodlawn Church Road, Baxley, GA 31513
	2. Wally Sapp	2520 Buckhead Road, Baxley, GA 31513
	3. Pat Haynes	12098 Blackshear Highway, Baxley, GA 31513
Jeffrey Simmons:	1. Jeffrey Simmons	6274 County Farm Road, Baxley, GA 31513
	2. Glynn Dunlap	221 Howard Lane, Baxley, GA 31513
	3. Gerri Wiggins	P.O. Box 310 Baxley, GA 31515

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the names as submitted for the Hospital Appointment/reappointments. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Boatright was not present to vote at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

GDOT SPEED ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the GDOT Speed Ordinance for Appling County. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Boatright was not present to vote at this meeting.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

County Manager Lee Lewis asked the Boards permission to begin the condemnation process of obtaining appraisals and surveys on the land of the individuals that will not be signing a Right of Way in order to continue with road construction projects.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to allow the County Manager and the County attorney to begin the condemnation process on the land of the individuals that will not be signing a Right of Way Deed in order to continue with the road construction projects. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Boatright was not present to vote at this meeting.

FY2018 BUDGET REVIEW

County Manager Lee Lewis provided the Board with information pertaining to the FY2018 Budget for their review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no need for Executive Session at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CALLED MEETING

JULY 11, 2017

5:30 P.M.

The Called Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Charlie Leggett, Sarah Boatright and Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present was County Manager Lee Lewis and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Helen Prencke of the Baxley News Banner. Joe Taylor was present to video the meeting.

Commissioner Boatright led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 6, 2017 and the Called Meeting on June 27, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no one present for Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

The following options was presented to the Board for the Health Insurance Renewal:

Employee Benefits At A Glance 2017 - 2018				
Medical – UHC	Buy Up \$2,500 100% HRA		Core Plan \$3,000 80% HRA	
	In Network	Out-of-Network	In Network	Out-of-Network
Co-Insurance	100%	80%	90%	60%
Calendar Year Deductible				
- Individual	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
- Family	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$12,000
Employee's Responsibility of Deductible:				
- Individual	\$250	\$250	\$750	\$750
- Family	\$500	\$500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Out-of-Pocket Maximum (Deductible Included)				
- Individual	\$2,500	\$15,000	\$6,000	\$12,000
- Family	\$5,000	\$30,000	\$12,000	\$24,000
Office Visit Copay				
- Primary	\$35 Copay	20% After deductible	\$25 / \$25 Copay	40% After deductible
- Specialist	\$35 Copay	20% After deductible	\$50 / \$75 Copay	40% After deductible
Inpatient Services	Deductible	20% After deductible	\$500 Copay – 20% after deductible \$1,000 Copay + 20% after deductible	\$1,000 Copay + 40% after deductible
Outpatient Services	Deductible	20% After deductible	\$500 Copay + 20% after deductible	\$500 Copay + 40% after deductible
Emergency Room Services (Waved if admitted)	\$200 Copay	\$200 Copay	\$350 Copay	\$350 Copay
Urgent Care	\$75 Copay	20% After deductible	\$100 Copay	40% After deductible
Lifetime Maximum Benefits	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Prescription Coverage (30 day supply)	In Network & Out of Network		In Network & Out of Network	
Deductible	\$0		\$0	
Tier 1	\$10 Copay		\$15 Copay	
Tier 2	\$30 Copay		\$40 Copay	
Tier 3	\$50 Copay		\$75 Copay	
Mail Order (90 day supply)				
Tier 1	\$25 Copay		\$37.50 Copay	
Tier 2	\$75 Copay		\$100 Copay	
Tier 3	\$125 Copay		\$187.50 Copay	
Employer Rates (Monthly)				
Employee Only	\$0.00		\$0.00	
Family	\$232.33		\$0.00	
Contact Information		*Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)		
Northwestern Benefit Benefit Services Specialist DJ Sermons: 1.800.845.3150 todd@nwbenefit.com		• An HRA provides a way for Appling County to save money in premiums and fund a portion of the out of pocket costs for employees. • The HRA is funded by Appling County and will pay \$2,250 for Individual Coverage, and \$4,500 for Family Coverage after the employee's responsibility listed above have been met. • The HRA is administered through UHC and you will not have to submit claim forms to receive your HRA benefit as the reimbursement will be automatic.		

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve implementing an HMO option for the employees with family coverage. Motion carried unanimously.

BID APPROVAL-TE PROJECT (ALTAMAHA COLLEGE LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT)

The bids were received for the Altamaha College Landscape TE Project and they were as follows:

Swindell Construction Company, Inc.	\$121,809.50
<i>Glennville, GA</i>	
AC Blount Concrete Service, Inc.	\$200,206.10
<i>Moultrie, GA</i>	
Sikes Brothers, Inc.	\$277,591.00
<i>Metter, GA</i>	

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the low bid of \$121,809.50 from Swindell Construction Company, Inc contingent upon Coastal Pines participating in the cash match for this project. Motion carried unanimously.

BID APPROVAL – TARA LAKE DAM REHABILITATION

One bid has been received for the Tara Lake Dam Rehabilitation project:

North Georgia Concrete, Inc.	\$1,856,387.00
<i>Fayetteville, GA</i>	

This bid is higher for this project than it was originally estimated it to be.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the bid of \$1,856,387 from North Georgia Concrete and to work with the contractor on these plans to value engineer this project to bring the cost down. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD OF ELECTION & REGISTRATION APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments/reappointments were made by the Commissioners for the Board of Election and Registration:

<i>Commissioner Boatright</i>	<i>Samantha Craven</i>
<i>Commissioner Wilkerson</i>	<i>Gerry Moore</i>
<i>Commissioner Edwards</i>	<i>Dean Collins</i>
<i>Commissioner Rentz</i>	<i>Rodney Williams</i>
<i>Commissioner Leggett</i>	<i>Roger Cain</i>
<i>Chairman Parker</i>	<i>Jimmy Johnson</i>

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to accept the appointments/reappointments made by the Commissioners as listed above to the Board of Election and Registration. Motion carried unanimously.

FY2018 BUDGET

County Manager Lee Lewis provided the Board with information pertaining to the FY2018 Budget for their review. Mr. Lewis pointed out changes and additions to the budget.

SHERIFF'S REPORT-MARK MELTON

Sheriff Melton reported that he had spoken with the architect for the new jail addition. Bids for the project will be sent out August 15th.

Mr. Melton also reported that over the Holiday weekend, in conjunction with the Governor's Highway Safety Program, the Sheriff's Office kept the roads of Appling County safe, 85 citations were given out and 200 warnings were issued.

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier announced that the striping on Red Oak Road is expected to be completed soon. He also reported that there is still a delay on the Thornton Road project.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that Lake Mayers has been closed due to the algae bloom.

Mr. Lewis informed the Board that they will soon begin soliciting architects for the Library Expansion Project. The expansion will include new carpet, an expansion of the kids/teens department, a new interior circulation desk and renovations to the exterior façade.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz to and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to close Executive Session and open the Regular Meeting.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was adjourned.

APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2017
5:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting.

Commissioner Wilkerson led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the minutes of the Called Meeting held on July 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Tony Burkett addressed the Board concerning issues with the condition of Carter's Bight Landing Road and the status of the scheduled paving of the road.

County Manager Lee Lewis responded to Mr. Burkett's concerns by explaining that the road paving process can be lengthy due to having to obtain permits from EPD and having to have the road realigned and re-staked, which unfortunately is the case on Carter's Bight landing road. Also adding to the delays is trying to acquire right of way deeds and trying to avoid condemning property of those not willing to sign.

Mr. Rozier will check the records on the grading and ditching of Carter's Bight Landing Road.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- BOND VALIDATION

Economic Development Director Dale Atkins addressed the Board asking them to approve the Bond Validation for the tax abatement of the Sleep-Inn Hotel.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the Bond Validation as presented for the Sleep-Inn Hotel. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDITOR'S REPORT-CHRIS HARRIS, HARRIS & COMPANY CPA

Chris Harris of Harris & Company was present at the meeting to give a brief overview of the FY 2016 Audit.

Mr. Harris reported that the FY 2016 Audit went well and the revenues exceeded the expenditures. Overall Appling County is in great standing.

OLD BUSINESS

TE PROJECT (ALTAMAHA COLLEGE LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT)

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the TE Project for the Altamaha Technical College Landscape Improvements with cash match for the project coming out of TIA Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 BUDGET

County Manager Lee Lewis provided the Board with a copy of the 2018 Budget for their final review. The 2018 Budget will be presented to the Board for their approval at a later meeting after being advertised.

SHERIFF'S REPORT- MARK MELTON

Sheriff Mark Melton reported that the Sheriff's Office staffing is currently at capacity with the exception of one employee for the front office that is expected to be filled soon.

Mr. Melton also reported that he had received a recall on the Ford Explorer Deputy vehicles.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that the contractor that is scheduled to complete the work on Thornton Road should be here on Friday finish up this project.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that the Senior/Head Start Center is 98% complete, Head Start Teachers reported to work yesterday.

Mr. Lewis also reported that the reroofing project on the Courthouse began yesterday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Jamie Gardner of the Baxley News Banner and Joe Taylor to video the meeting. County Attorney Bob Highsmith was not present at this meeting.

Commissioner Edwards led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 1, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

Baxley Appling County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Keri Crosby talked to the Board about the upcoming Georgia 2030 meeting to be held September 20, 2017 at Plant Hatch. Ms. Crosby encouraged the Board to attend this meeting that will highlight what Appling County and this part of the state will look like over the next 20-30 years and the obstacles facing rural Georgia.

OLD BUSINESS

TARA LAKE DAM UPDATE

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that he and County Road Project Manager Hayden Rozier had met with the contractor and engineer on the Tara Lake dam project on ways to value engineer this project. This project is expected to cost approximately \$1.7 million after finding \$100,000 savings by value engineering this project.

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board that he had thought about the possibility of rebidding this project but it would be hard to find another contractor to do the project due to state Safe Dam Regulations. Mr. Lewis also added that most of the contractors that do this type of work are located above Macon.

The Board gave County Manager Lee Lewis permission to proceed with the Tara Lake Dam Project. This project is estimated to begin in the fall and should take approximately nine months to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

EMERGENCY ACTION POLICY

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the Emergency Action Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

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SATILLA CHURCH ROAD WIDENING BID APPROVAL

Two bids were received for the Satilla Church Road Widening Project. The bids were as follows:

Everett Dykes Grassing	\$367,875.00
GA Asphalt Producers	\$361,665.85

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the low bid of \$361,665.85 from GA Asphalt Producers. Motion carried unanimously.

BOOM MOWER BID APPROVAL

A bid was received for the Boom Mower and it was as follows:

Atmax Equipment Company	\$137,500.00
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A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of a Boom Mower from Atmax Equipment Company in the amount of \$137,500. Motion carried unanimously.

SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Service Delivery Strategy. Motion carried unanimously.

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FY 2018 BUDGET APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the FY2018 Budget in the amount of \$18,245,986.00. Motion carried unanimously.

2017 MILLAGE RATE APPROVAL-COUNTY, SCHOOL & FIRE

County Manager Lee Lewis presented the resolutions for approval for the following:

<i>County</i>	<i>12.77</i>
<i>School</i>	<i>14.60</i>
<i>Fire</i>	<i>.47</i>
Total	27.84

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the 2017 Millage Rate as presented above for the County in the amount of 12.77 mils, School in the amount of 14.60 mils and the Fire in the amount of .47 mils for a total of 27.84 mils. Motion carried unanimously.

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SHERIFF'S REPORT- MARK MELTON

Sheriff Mark Melton reported that five construction management firms have submitted proposals for the construction of the Appling County Detention Center expansion. Mr. Melton stated that a committee would review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Board at a future meeting.

Mr. Melton also reported that his staff continues to do a lot of training and have participated in local school drills and emergency drills.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that other than a few minor details, the construction on Thornton Road has been completed.

Mr. Rozier informed the Board that a pre-bid meeting will be held next week for the 2018 LMIG Road Projects.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was nothing to report on Building and Grounds at this time.

COUNTY MANAGERS REPORT

County Manager Lee Lewis announced that the City of Surrency has received a Community Block Development Grant for \$500,000. The funds will be used for paving four streets within the city limits of Surrency.

Mr. Lewis reminded the Board that the Annual Fire Fighter's Banquet will be held in October.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting.

Commissioner Edwards led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 5, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

NEXTSITE 360

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Keri Crosby made a presentation to the Board regarding the mobile mapping company NextSite 360. NextSite 360 is a company that partners with communities to conduct market research and analysis. Ms. Crosby stated that the chamber along with the Development Authority of Appling County and the Baxley-Appling County Tourism Board have agreed to partner with NextSite 360 to conduct a market research/analysis of the community if the City of Baxley and Appling County would participate as well. The total cost for the three year engagement is \$15,000. If approved, the County's portion for the cost of the research will be \$1,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve joining the Development Authority, Chamber of Commerce, Tourism and City of Baxley with a 3-year engagement with Nextsite 360 paying the county's portion of \$1,000/yr. Motion carried unanimously.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the Comprehensive Plan Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

(Insert Resolution)

CM APPROVAL FOR JAIL ADDITION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the recommendation from County Manager Lee Lewis and Sheriff Mark Melton to proceed with contracting with Allstate Construction of Perry to handle the Construction Management for the Appling County Detention Center Project. Motion carried unanimously.

2018 LMIG BID APPROVAL

The following bids were received for the 2018 LMIG Bid project:

Resurfacing a portion of Thornton Road

GA Asphalt Producers \$ 320,305.00

Everett Dykes Grassing \$ 309,516.50

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the low bid of \$309,516.50 from Everett Dykes Grassing for the resurfacing of a portion of Thornton Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Resurfacing portions of Midway Church Road, Fireline Road, Lamar Crosby Road, Davis Landing Road, County Farm Road and Tippins Street

GA Asphalt Producers \$ 1,048,695.14

Everett Dykes Grassing \$ 1,051,513.70

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the bid of \$1,051,513.70 from Everett Dykes Grassing for the resurfacing of portions of Midway Church Road, Fireline Road, Lamar Crosby Road, Davis Landing Road, County Farm Road and Tippins Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Sidewalk-Nails Ferry Road

GA Asphalt Producers \$ 113,985.00

Swindell Construction \$ 118,200.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the low bid of \$113,985 from GA Asphalt Producers. Motion carried unanimously.

FIREFIGHTERS BANQUET CATERED MEAL

The annual Fire Fighter's Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 6:00 pm. One catering bid has been received for the Banquet.

Sarah's in the City

\$ 12/plate for 200 people

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the bid of \$12/plate for 200 people from Sarah's in the City for the annual Fire Fighter's Banquet. This motion carried with Commissioners Leggett, Wilkerson, Rentz and Edwards voting for the motion. Commissioner Boatright abstained from voting.

GRADALL EXCAVATOR PURCHASE

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that a used Gradall Excavator in excellent condition has been located and the cost of the machine is \$105,000. A new Gradall Excavator can cost as much as \$350,000. Mr. Lewis recommended that the Board approve the purchase of the used Gradall Machine with T-SPLOST funds.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the purchase of the Gradall Machine for \$105,000 out of T-SPLOST funds. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY SHOP TRUCK PURCHASE

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of a crew cab Ford F150 truck from Woody Folsom Ford in the amount of \$25,897. Motion carried unanimously.

FY2017 BUDGET AMENDMENT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that the FY2017 budget needs to be amended to reflect \$19,406,000 due to unforeseen expenses that impacted the FY2017 Budget such as the three major storms.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the amended budget to reflect \$19,406,000. Motion carried unanimously.

FORESTRY CLERICAL/DISPATCH POSITION

The Forestry Clerical/Dispatch position will be discussed in Executive Session.

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR II POSITION

The Equipment Operator II position will be discussed in Executive Session.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that the Road Department is still in the process of cleaning up debris from Hurricane Irma. Mr. Rozier expressed his appreciation to everyone who had a part in assisting during the storm.

Mr. Rozier reported that right of ways have been sent out to landowners on upcoming projects and some have already been received back with signatures.

County Manager thanked Mr. Rozier for all of his work as well as the employees at the Road Department for a fantastic job in getting roads cleared and passable during the storm.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was nothing to report on Building and Grounds at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, a motion was made by Commissioner Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve hiring Karlee Martinez for the Forestry Clerical/Dispatch position and Carroll Weaver for the Equipment II operator position. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting.

Bob Highsmith led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 3, 2017. Commissioner Wilkerson requested including the reason for accepting high bid from Everett Dykes for resurfacing portions of Midway Church Road, Fireline Road, Lamar Crosby Road, Davis Landing Road, County Farm Road and Tippins Street at the last meeting. This was due to a question that was asked by Commissioner Edwards related to equipment that was required in the bid proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

RETIREMENT RECOGNITION

Cecil Griffin was not present at the meeting for the retirement recognition.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Pam Williams introduced members of the Junior Statesman in attendance at the meeting to observe the civic roles of the local governments.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

RECREATION BOARD APPOINTMENT

Due to the passing of Recreation Board Chairman Shirley Taylor, Chairman Lewis Parker nominated Ann Singer to serve the remainder of Mrs. Shirley's term on the Recreation Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve Chairman Parker's nomination to the Recreation Board by appointing Ann Singer as Chairman of the Recreation Board. Motion carried unanimously.

DFACS BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that due to the passing of DFACS Board Member Shirley Taylor, the Board needs to appoint someone to serve the remainder of her term on the Board.

CARTER'S BIGHT ROAD PAVING-BID RESULTS

One bid was received for the Carter's Bight Road Paving:Project:

Littlefield Construction ***\$398,693.90***

A motion was carried by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Rentz to approve the bid of \$398,693.90 from Littlefield Construction Company with the funds for this project coming out of the 2018 SPLOST. Motion carried unanimously.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

A quote has been received to put up, take down and store the Christmas decorations:

Mayer's Florist ***\$ 6,500***

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to accept the bid of \$6,500 from Mayer's Florist to put up, take down and store the Christmas decorations at the Courthouse/Annex. Motion carried unanimously.

HOLIDAY PAY

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve Employee Holiday Pay of \$250 for each full time employee and \$150 for each part time employee. Motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF'S REPORT-MARK MELTON

Sheriff Melton was out of town and not present to give a report.

ROADS-BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

ROADS-HAYDEN ROZIER

Mr. Rozier reported that the Road Department is finishing up the clean-up of debris from Hurricane Irma.

Mr. Rozier reported that construction work on road paving projects should commence shortly after the Thanksgiving Holidays.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was nothing to report on Building and Grounds at this time.

COUNTY MANAGERS REPORT

County Manager Lee Lewis reminded the Board of the annual Clerk of Court's Thanksgiving Luncheon that will be held at noon on Wednesday, November 22, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, there was no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**APPLING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 5, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

The Regular Meeting of the Appling County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Lewis Parker on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlie Leggett, Daryl Edwards, Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Boatright, Theodore Wilkerson and Commissioner Chairman Lewis Parker. Also present at the meeting was County Manager Lee Lewis, County Attorney Bob Highsmith and County Clerk Chrissy Harris. Present from the news media was Joe Taylor to video the meeting and Jamie Gardner of the Baxley News Banner.

Commissioner Leggett led the pledge to the flag.

Commissioner Rentz gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION-MRS. SHIRLEY TAYLOR (1940-2017)

The Board presented a plaque in honor of Mrs. Shirley Taylor to her husband Jay and daughter and her husband, Sandy and Andy Dominy.

The Board expressed their appreciation for Mrs. Taylor and her dedication and contributions to the community. The Board expressed that Mrs. Taylor will be greatly missed.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no one present for Public Input at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

DFACS BOARD APPOINTMENT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that due to the passing of DFACS Board Member Shirley Taylor, the Board needs to appoint someone to serve the remainder of her term on the Board.

There was no action taken on this item and it will be put on the agenda for the January meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

REGIONAL COUNCIL THIRD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

County Manager Lee Lewis reported that due to the passing of Regional Council Board Member Ronald Burkett, the Board needs to appoint someone to serve the remainder of his term on the Board.

Commissioner Theodore Wilkerson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rentz to appoint Vernon Dasher to the Regional Council Board. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRE FIGHTER(S) CANCER POLICY

County Manager Lee Lewis informed the Board that House Bill 146 passed requiring cancer insurance for full time and volunteer fire fighters. Quotes have been obtained and they are as follows:

ACCG IRMA	\$37,375
VFIS	\$31,570

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the bid of \$31,570 from VFIS for Fire fighter Cancer Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

2018 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the 2018 Holiday Schedule as presented. This motion carried unanimously.

2018-DATES OBSERVED FOR HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day	01/01/18-Monday
MLK Jr Day	01/15/18-Monday
Memorial Day	05/28/18-Monday
Independence Day	07/04/18-Wednesday
Labor Day	09/03/18-Monday
Veteran's Day	11/12/18-Monday
Thanksgiving Day	11/22/18-Thursday
Day after Thanksgiving	11/23/18-Friday
Christmas Eve	12/24/18-Monday
Christmas Day	12/25/18-Tuesday

ELECTION SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENT

This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

LAND ACQUISITION

This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

SHERIFF'S REPORT-MARK MELTON

Sheriff Mark Melton gave an update to the Commissioners regarding the Appling County Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Melton is very pleased with the progress over the past 12 months and thanked the Board for their support. Sheriff Melton is checking into installing panic alarms at the courthouse, courthouse annex and the probation office. He informed the Board that the Georgia Sheriff's Association has been looking to develop a starting salary guide for hiring deputies and police across the state. Melton said that the state gave state law enforcement officers an increase last year and it has become very difficult to find officers that want to work for a county or municipality when the starting salary is \$30,000 compared to the state's \$50,000.

ROAD & BRIDGES-HAYDEN ROZIER

Road Project Manager Hayden Rozier updated the Commissioners on upcoming LMIG projects and stated that the sidewalk construction on Nails Ferry is beginning. Rozier also reported that all debris from Hurricane Irma has now been removed and added that it was a tremendous amount of debris. He thanked the Commissioners for their support over the past year. Mr. Rozier informed the Board that the new mow trim machine and dump trucks have arrived.

CHAMBER UPDATE-KERI CROSBY ORVIN

Appling County Chamber Executive Director Keri Crosby reported that the recent Community Planning Retreat was a good retreat and community goals were discussed at the retreat. Mrs. Orvin also reported that the Movie in the Park as well as the Winter Wonderland was a success and were well attended.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to close Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

After reconvening from Executive Session, a motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Leggett to approve the recommendation from the Board of Elections to hire Shonda Carter as the Election Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of land from Crossland Inc. in the amount of \$600,000. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rentz and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve the purchase of land from Keith and Lana Wiggins in the amount of \$900,000. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the purchase of the property located at 755 South Main Street from the Baxley Appling County Healthcare System. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.