

**HARRIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION**

August 16, 2011  
7:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present: J. Harry Lange, Joey M. Loudermilk, Becky Langston, Jim Woods, Charles Wyatt. Staff Present: John M. Taylor, County Attorney; Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk. Staff Absent: Daniel B. Bridges, County Manager (illness)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**. Chairman Lange called the Regular Session to order, and said that Danny Bridges, County Manager, was absent due to illness.
2. **MINUTES**. The motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2011, Regular Session was made by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Langston, and passed unanimously.
3. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. **Resolution: 9-1-1 Fee on Prepaid Wireless Phones**. Chairman Lange asked John Taylor, County Attorney, to explain the resolution. Mr. Taylor said that the Resolution was necessary in order for the County to receive its share of the fee charged on prepaid wireless phones and the reloading of same at the point of sale, and that without such a document, the State would retain the fees for use with a grant program for 9-1-1 services. He also indicated that an Ordinance may be necessary. The motion to approve this Resolution was made by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Langston, and passed unanimously.
  - B. **Redistricting Maps**. Chairman Lange said that three maps had been included in the meeting packets; that Map #1 showed the current districts; that Map #2 is the map agreed upon in a joint meeting of Commissioners and School Board members on July 27; and that Map #3 is the map that the School Board members drew up in a separate meeting and that the School Board is currently considering. Following a brief discussion, the motion to approve Map #2 was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously. (Documents can be found in "Miscellaneous Documents" file as MD #11-09.)
  - C. **Financial Statement: June 2011**. The motion to approve the Financial Statement for June 2011 was made by Commissioner Langston, seconded by Commissioner Wyatt, and passed unanimously.
  - D. **Property to Development Authority**. Chairman Lange said that he and Danny Bridges, County Manager, had met with Knology representatives regarding locating on five acres in the Northwest Harris Business Park; that Knology would like the County to donate the five acres and give them first right of refusal on an additional five acres; that the property is adjacent to and south of Daehan's location; that they have about 15 jobs; and that no tax abatements are involved. Following a brief discussion, the motion to authorize the Chairman and Clerk to execute the necessary documents to deed the property to the Development Authority for the purpose of deeding same to Knology was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Loudermilk, and passed unanimously.
4. **COUNTY MANAGER**
  - A. **Solid Waste Landfill Update: Methane Monitoring**. In the absence of Danny Bridges, County Manager, Nancy McMichael, County Clerk, said that County has completed the methane monitoring minor modification at the Landfill and that some of the methane wells are being converted to vent pipes, which will allow returning to quarterly monitoring versus monthly monitoring.
  - B. **Airport Property Deed**. In the absence of Danny Bridges, County Manager, John Taylor, County Attorney, said that the Ida Cason Callaway Foundation (ICCF) has executed a Limited Warranty Deed to the County for 39.22 acres

of property adjacent and north of the Harris County Airport; that the deed contains a reversionary clause in that if the property is not used as a public airport for 12 consecutive months, the property will revert to ICCF and allows the construction of an EMS/Fire station on the property. Upon conclusion of explanation, Mr. Taylor recommended acceptance of the deed. The motion to accept the deed was made by Commissioner Langston, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously.

C. **Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours at Airport.** Chairman Lange said that the Airport was the site of the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours function this past Thursday evening; that W.K. Dickson, the County's Airport Consultant, was the sponsor; and that the function was well attended.

D. **Bid Award: Drives, Lot & Trail.** In the absence of County Manager Danny Bridges, Nancy McMichael, County Clerk, said that bids had been received for resurfacing projects to include the Solid Waste Transfer Station Drive, the Convenience Centers in Cataula and Hamilton, the Water Works Parking Lot, and the Walking Trail at Moultrie Park. She read the bids as follows:

COMPANY	BID AMOUNT	ALTERNATE
Robinson Paving, Columbus, GA	\$ 180,075.50	\$ 205,675.50
Wolford Contracting, Fortson, GA	\$ 173,992.06	\$ 181,850.80

Mrs. McMichael said that the alternate was regarding the substitution of concrete for the asphalt on the Walking Trail, and that the recommendation from Allen Culpepper, Public Works Director, was to award the bid to Wolford Contracting for the low bid of \$173,992.06. The motion to award the bid as recommended was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously.

E. **Bid Award: Six Roads.** In the absence of County Manager Danny Bridges, Nancy McMichael, County Clerk, said that bids had been received for resurfacing, patching and/or paving of six County roads, including Acres of Shade Drive, Central Church Road, Claymore Drive, Denney Road, Kings Gap Road, and Macedonia Church Road. She read the bids as follows:

COMPANY	BID AMOUNT	ALTERNATE
C.W. Matthews, Marietta, GA	\$ 758,629.98	\$ 839,969.94
Robinson Paving, Columbus, GA	\$ 775,592.76	\$ 856,932.72
Wolford Contracting, Fortson, GA	\$ 1,408,460.09	\$ 1,204,112.61

Mrs. McMichael said that the alternate bid was regarding the substitution of open graded interlayer for single surface treatment, and that the recommendation of Allen Culpepper, Public Works Director, was to award the bid to C.W. Matthews for the low bid of \$758,629.98. The motion to award the bid as recommended was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously.

5. **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

A. **Agreement with Sturgis Web Services: Website for Tax Commissioner.** John Taylor, County Attorney, explained the agreement, said that he had made changes to the original document from Sturgis, and recommended the board authorize the execution of the document pending his completion of Exhibit "A". The motion to authorize the execution of the document by the Tax Commissioner was made by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously. (Document can be found in "Contracts & Agreements" as C&A #11-34.)

6. **RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.** The motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel, real estate acquisition, and pending or potential litigation was made at 7:35 PM by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Langston, and passed unanimously.

7. **RESUME REGULAR SESSION.** The motion to resume the Regular Session was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Chairman Lange, and passed unanimously.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, the motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wyatt, seconded by Commissioner Woods, and passed unanimously.

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J. Harry Lange, Chairman

Attest:

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Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk