

**HARRIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
February 20, 2018  
7:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present: J. Harry Lange, Jim Woods, Susan Andrews, Martha Chewning, Becky Langston. Staff Present: Randy Dowling, County Manager; Jeff Todd, Acting County Attorney in the absence of John Taylor, County Attorney; Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Lange called the Regular Session to order.
2. **ANNOUNCEMENT.** Chairman Lange recognized two members of Boy Scout Troop 109 of Cataula who were unable to attend the February 6 meeting.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** At the request of Chairman Lange, Ethan Page, Committee Member of Boy Scout Troop 109, led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **MINUTES.** The motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2018, Regular Session was made by Commissioner Woods, seconded by Commissioner Chewning, and passed unanimously.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. **Bid Award: Prison CCTV Security System Upgrade & Budget Amendment #13.** Chairman Lange said that action regarding the motion by Commissioner Woods and second by Commissioner Chewning to award the Prison CCTV Security System project to Montgomery Technology Systems (MTS) in the amount of \$123,856, and the budget amendment in the amount of \$44,396 to cover the overage of \$33,865 on the bid, \$7,531 on the consultant fee, and \$3,000 for contingency, and to authorize the County Manager and County Clerk to execute the necessary documents, had been tabled to this meeting. There being no questions or comments, the motion passed by unanimous vote.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. **Financial Statement: December 2017.** The motion to approve the December 2017 financial statement was made by Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Chewning, and passed unanimously.
  - B. **Development Authority Appointment.** Commissioner Andrews made the motion to appoint Alan Feagin to the Development Authority in the position formerly held by Ryan Clements, who did not wish to be reappointed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woods and passed unanimously. Mr. Feagin's term will expire December 31, 2021.
  - C. **ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation Agreement: Internship Program Grant.** Randy Dowling, County Manager, said that the County applied for and has received a grant for an intern for Community Development for the purpose of updating zoning maps and verifying accuracy of records; that the grant is for \$2,000 at \$10.00 per hour for 200 hours from May through September; and that an agreement is necessary regarding same. The motion to approve the agreement was made by Commissioner Langston, seconded by Commissioner Chewning, and passed unanimously. Commissioner Woods commented that it may be possible to obtain more interns through Impact 360 in Pine Mountain. (Document can be found in "Contracts & Agreements" file as C&A #18-05.)
7. **COUNTY MANAGER**
  - A. **Bid Award: Airport Fencing Project.** Randy Dowling, County Manager, said that bids had been requested for the Airport security fencing, and four bids were received on February 12, but one company was disqualified because the proper bid documents were not executed. The bids are as follows:

Company	Base Bid	Option #1	Option #2
Affordable Fencing, Phenix City, AL *	\$ 258,112.69	\$ 25,298.83	\$ 12,059.42
McCall Commercial Fencing, Gray, TN	\$ 238,645.60	\$ 114,996.60	\$ 2,515.20
Peed Bros, Butler, GA	\$ 349,095.50	\$ 49,267.20	\$ (2,454.70)
Young's General Contracting, Poplar Bluff, MO	\$ 252,947.85	\$ 115,530.00	\$ 6,730.00

\*did not sign all documents

Mr. Dowling said the total project budget is \$376,651 with \$326,651 from GDOT funding and \$50,000 from County TSPLOST funds, approved by the Board in October 2017; that option #1 is for ornamental fencing in the Terminal area and option #2 is for vinyl coated fencing in the Terminal area, and the consultant's fee for the bidding and construction phase is \$48,303. Tim Fredlund, Pond & Company, consultant, explained the bid results, the options, and recommended that the bid be awarded to McCall Commercial Fencing in the amount of \$241,160.80, which included option #2, as low bidder. Discussion included that the vinyl coated fencing at the Terminal will be 8' high while the remaining fencing will be 10'; that gates are included with the fencing; that the bid was for 6,080 linear feet of 10' fencing; and that the difference between the total project budget of \$376,651 and the project cost of \$289,463.80 (\$241,160.80 + \$48,303) is \$87,187.20, and can be used to increase the amount of fencing. Following discussion, the motion to award the bid to McCall Commercial Fencing and to utilize the difference in the project budget and project cost to increase the amount of fencing was made by Commissioner Woods, seconded by Commissioner Chewning, and passed unanimously. Mr. Fredlund said that a contract will be forthcoming from GDOT and after execution of same, the contract with McCall can be approved and followed by the Notice to Proceed (NTP), and that the project is to be completed within 90 days following the NTP.

- B. **Runway Extension Funding.** Chairman Lange asked Tim Fredlund, consultant with Pond & Company, if there was a possibility of the County receiving funding from GDOT this year for the runway extension to which Mr. Fredlund replied that due to GDOT's lack of funds, such would not be possible.
- C. **Trees at End of Runway.** Chairman Lange asked about the need for cutting the trees at the end of the west end of the runway, and Tim Fredlund, consultant with Pond & Company, said that such needs to be done soon.
- D. **Project Updates.** Randy Dowling, County Manager, brought the Board up to date on various projects, as follows:
- (1) Fund Accounting Software. Project is underway.
  - (2) Prison CCTV Security System Update. Bid awarded during tonight's meeting; project underway soon and completed by end of the fiscal year.
  - (3) County-wide Radio System. The agreement should be finished by the end of this month.
  - (4) LMIG 2018 Project. Bids will open Thursday, February 22.
  - (5) Hamilton Business Park Road Extension. Bids opened earlier today; results will be on March 6 agenda for award by the Board.
  - (6) Holland Drive. Most of the right of way deeds are ready to be mailed out by the end of this week.
  - (7) Playground for Pate Park and Tennis Courts Renovation. Bid documents are underway with plans to go out within the next two weeks.
  - (8) Airport Fencing Project. Bid was awarded during tonight's meeting, project will be underway soon.
  - (9) Garbage Trucks. The two new garbage trucks will be in by late March.
  - (10) Compactors. The Hamilton site is up and running; the Harrisville site should be up and running by the middle of next week.
  - (11) Scrap Tire Event. Two days for turning in scrap tires at the Transfer State at no charge will be April 7 and April 14.

- (12) Library. Dedication is scheduled for March 29 at 11:00 AM; the old library will close on Wednesday, February 28, at 6:00 PM.
- (13) SPLOST Continuation. All information is on the website; the Chamber of Commerce endorsed it today and will begin campaigning.
- (14) Prison Inmate Health Care Services. RFP has been released.
- (15) High Speed Internet. There was a brief discussion regarding high speed internet which included that Charter Communications may want to partner with the County in some fashion; that it has been included in the upcoming SPLOST continuation; and that the Chamber of Commerce has endorsed the SPLOST and will begin a campaign regarding same.

8. **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

A. **GDOT Agreement re Real Property: Rails to Trails Project, PI# 0010615.** Jeff Todd, Acting County Attorney, said that Randy Dowling, County Manager, would explain this agreement. Mr. Dowling said that this is basically a housekeeping matter in that GDOT wants assurance that no federal funds will be used to acquire any right of way in connection with this project. The motion to approve this agreement was made by Commissioner Chewning, seconded by Commissioner Langston, and passed unanimously. (Document can be found in "Contracts & Agreements" file as C&A #18-06.)

B. **Ante Litem Notice: Estate of Demetrius Dalton.** Jeff Todd, Acting County Attorney, said that the County has received an ante litem notice from the estate of Demetrius Dalton who was involved in a high speed chase and exited his vehicle, ran across the interstate and jumped the concrete wall into the path of a vehicle driven by Sheriff Mike Jolley. He said that GSP has investigated the matter and he recommends denial of the claim. The motion to deny the claim was made by Commissioner Langston, seconded by Commissioner Chewning, and passed unanimously.

9. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, the motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Chewning, 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