

## DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION

### WORK SESSION MINUTES

January 28, 2008

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 120 of the Central Square Government Center on January 28, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Jeff Sinyard called the meeting to order. Commissioners present were Muarlean Edwards, John Hayes, Lamar Hudgins, Chuck Lingle, Art Searles, and Jack Stone. Also present were Richard Crowdis, County Administrator; Spencer Lee, County Attorney; Barbara Engram, County Clerk; and Nancy Hillsman, Administrative Secretary. Representatives of the media were present.

Chairman Sinyard called for review of the minutes of the January 14 Work Session, January 14 Special Called Meeting, and January 23, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes for approval at the next meeting.

The Chairman called for discussion of the proposed purchase of three (3) 2008 Impalas for County Police from low bidder, Wallace Chevrolet, in the amount of \$16,645.18 each, for a total of \$49,935.54. Five vendors responded ranging to a high of \$18,497.32. This is budgeted in CIP in the amount of \$165,000 for six vehicles. Assistant County Administrator Thomas Thomas stated the current vehicles are six years old and have high mileage.

The Chairman called for discussion of the proposed purchase of one (1) 2008 Impala for Emergency Medical Services from low bidder, Wallace Chevrolet, in the amount of \$16,645.18. Five vendors responded ranging to a high of \$18,497.32. This is budgeted in CIP in the amount of \$27,000. Assistant County Administrator Thomas Thomas stated that the current vehicle is seven years old and has high mileage.

The Chairman called for discussion of the proposed purchase of one (1) Cab & Chassis for Landfill from low bidder, Ford Town of Albany, in the amount of \$17,420.34. Four vendors responded ranging to a high of \$21,140.33. This is budgeted in CIP in the amount of \$60,000 for a service truck. Assistant County Administrator Thomas Thomas stated the current vehicle is 12 years old.

The Chairman called for discussion of the proposed purchase of one (1) Ford 250 Extended Cab Pickup Truck for Public Works from low bidder, Ford Town of Albany, in the amount of \$20,843.10. Five vendors responded ranging to a high of \$24,884.36. This is budgeted in SPLOST III Storm Drainage Equipment in the amount of \$75,000 for three vehicles. Assistant County administrator Thomas Thomas stated the current vehicle is 13 years old.

The Chairman called for discussion of the proposed purchase of two Ford F150 Ford Pickup Trucks for Public Works from low bidder, Ford Town of Albany, in the amount

of \$14,908.54 each for a total of \$29,817.08. Five vendors responded ranging to a high of \$18,683.50 each. This is budgeted in SPLOST III Storm Drainage Equipment in the amount of \$75,000 for three vehicles. Assistant County Administrator Thomas Thomas stated the current vehicles are 12 years old.

Commissioner Hudgins noted that these were all local purchases.

The Chairman called for discussion of proposed appointments to the following boards:

One appointment to the Joint Gas Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. Applicant should be a professional engineer or master gas fitter. There were no applicants.

One appointment to the Fire Code Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 31, 2010. Incumbent Henry Fields now desires reappointment.

One appointment to the Joint Plumbing Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2008. There were no applicants.

One appointment to the Albany Area Community Service Board to fill an unexpired term ending June 30, 2010. There were no new applicants. Commissioner Edwards asked that they consider Shirley Armstrong's resume.

One appointment to the Dougherty County Development Authority. Jack Stone recommended Shirley Armstrong for District 6.

The County Clerk was asked to pursue other alternatives to advertise these openings.

The County Administrator reminded the Commission of the Special Called Meeting for Monday, February 4, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. for an overview of the proposed Albany/Dougherty Zoning Ordinance. The meeting will be held in Room 120 of the Government Center. Also, on February 18, 2008 the Commission will tour the Riverquarium.

The County Attorney discussed a proposed resolution establishing state cable and video service franchise fees to be filed with the Secretary of State.

He also discussed a proposed resolution accepting Sanitary Sewer Easement from Highland Properties, Ltd (current owners of K-Mart Shopping Center). The new library is currently on a septic tank, and the increased load will require sewer service. In answer to several questions, the County Attorney advised this will be a perpetual easement.

Several Commissioners commented that the recent retreat was a positive experience and much was accomplished.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK