

CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018  
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM  
6:00 P.M.

2/1/2018 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman James Everett; along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, Jesse Crews, Ronnie Pollock, and Luke Gowen; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; Attorney John Adams; and visitors as recorded hereafter.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Everett led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Crews made motion to amend agenda to include the following items:

A. Hear Bruce Young - AFG Grant

B. Project Estimate - EMS Parking Lot

C. FYI - Senior Center Report

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve January 18, 2018 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. HEAR KAY CARTER, NEWELL LODGE

Kay Carter, Newell Lodge stated that she would like to follow up from last meeting when the Board asked the Road Superintendent to provide costs for repairs to Newell road off Highway 301. Erin King was present and provided the Board with project estimates for portion of Newell Road and Ozzie Rowell Loop. Grand Total estimates for limerock was \$439,730.55. Commissioner Gowen informed the Board that he had spoke with Representative Corbett for assistance of state funds, and possibly using future LMIG funds that would need to be approved by the Board.

Commissioner Crews reported that he, Jed Knowles and Becky Harden had met with Brent Blocker, DOT concerning resurfacing of Old Dixie Highway.

6. HEAR CARL HOFSTATDTER, NEWELL ROAD UPDATE

Kelvin Seagraves, Hofstadter, was present to discuss Newell Road Emergency Storm Drainage & Street Improvements from Hurricane IRMA. Mr. Seagraves reported that LMIG funds have been approved for \$140,000.00 and FEMA agreed to pay \$182,797.00 toward repairs. Commissioner Crews made motion based on report from Mr. Seagraves, to award bid to Littlefield Construction for \$249,062.56 for repairs to Newell Road (Hurricane Irma) Drainage and Street Improvements, any additional funds would have to be approved by the Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

7. HEAR TERRY FAHEY, RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

Terry Fahey, Recreation Director was present and gave report for the year 2017. Some of the items included basketball sign ups - not enough to play, Had all star teams for the girls baseball, Worked West Mims Fire by providing support and supplies at Bethune Gym, Traders Hill had power lines down, vandalism of signs, will be installing gate at Traders Hill for safety, wooden dock will be dismantled for safety purposes, playgrounds - cleared wood chips, replacing with sand, playground equipment at Deuce Lloyd needs to be replaced, vandals at St. George Park, replaced pipes at Traders Hill and other projects.

The Board asked that the following projects become a priority - installation of gates at Traders Hill Park, spread sand at the parks, fields need to be ready for baseball sign ups, St. George Park light needs to be replaced, remove unsafe playground equipment at Deuce Lloyd Park, Traders Hill pavillion needs to be repaired, bathroom at Traders Hill need to be renovated. Keep the Board apprised of costs of projects.

8. HEAR C. L. LEWIS, FIRE CHIEF

Because of the 724 emergency calls for the year 2017, and recommendation of Fire Board, Commissioner Crews made motion to waive 48 hours of training that is required in the operational policy and approve 24 hours (that is sufficient for state requirements) in order not to disqualify current firemen. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

After review of the following bids,

Fire Line - \$2,945.50

Randall Brackett Fire Truck Repair - \$3,010.64

Palmetto Fire Apparatus - \$3,621.45

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve Fire Line Bid for \$2,945.50 for pump repairs to trucks 40, 31 and 15. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Crews made motion to table application for AFG grant for the fire department until next meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

C. L. Lewis provided spreadsheet of West Mims Fire Update. Spreadsheet becomes integral part of Minutes.

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve AFG application for Bruce Young, EMS Director to apply for replacement of cardiac monitors (models being discontinued), at a cost of \$147,339.50 and county share at \$7,336.98. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Second Quarter Performance Report for the Charlton County Senior Center FY2018 contract was received and acknowledged by the Board.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2018 INDIGENT DEFENSE AGREEMENT AND 2018 BUDGET

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve 2018 Indigent Defense Agreement and 2018 Budget. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR AUDITORIUM USE - CCHS DRAMA DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve the use of the Auditorium for the CCHS Drama Department. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Request becomes integral part of Minutes.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

12. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

Commissioner Crews made motion to enter executive session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss personnel and possible claims. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Everett declared meeting open at 7:05 p.m. and stated personnel and possible claims were discussed in executive session and no action was taken.

14. NEXT BOC MEETING, 6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM

15. ADJOURN

Commissioner Crews made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

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James E. Everett, Chairman

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Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk