



McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session
Monday, June 6, 2022, 6:30 PM
Government Center Training Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charlie Newton, Chairman
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner-By Phone
Wm. "Bill" M. Jopling, Commissioner-By Phone
Frederick Favors, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk
Jason Smith, Community Development
Stephen Sewell, Chief Fire/EMS

Media: Erin Burditt, McDuffie Progress

Other:

COMMISSIONERS' WORK SESSION

All agenda items are for discussion only. No action was taken during the meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion Concerning FY23 Drug Court Grant.

David advised that this is for the FY23 Accountability Court Grant. It is the same as last year and there will no changes to the terms or conditions. The county match for this grant is \$20,350.00.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

2. Discussion Concerning USDA Grant for Fire.

Stephen advised the board that the SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus) are coming to the end of their useful life span. There is currently a mix of brands due to the merger with the city and it is becoming harder to find replacement parts for the older models. He is requesting that the board approve phasing out the older models with new systems through USDA grants and SPLOST funding.

Board agreed to move forward with grant process for new system.

3. Discussion Concerning LOST Distribution Negotiations.

David advised that its time to renew LOST distributions with City of Thomson and Dearing. He will prepare a letter to send them advising for the renewal process.

This item will be continued until further information is available.

4. Discussion Concerning Government Center Park Grant.

David presented the board with information regarding the grant for the new government center park. This will be a part of the Archway downtown development plan. The park is proposed to include amphitheater, water features, park pavilion, playground and food truck parking for events.

This item will be continued until further information is available.

5. Discussion Concerning Appointment for Regional EMS Council.

David advised that an appointment is needed for the Regional EMS Council. Stephen has recommended Deputy Chief Thigpen for the board and the current member Kay Lord has also expressed interest in continuing to serve.

This item will be on the next meeting agenda.

6. Discussion Concerning Resolution 22-07; Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation.

David advised that staff is currently working on updating the Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation plan. The advertisement has run and the public hearing was held. This is the resolution that goes with the plan update.

This item will be on the next meeting agenda.

7. Discussion Concerning FY22 Road Striping Bid.

David advised that a bid opening was held previously for FY22 Road Striping. There were 2 bids received, Peek Pavement for \$98,085 and Roadside Specialties at \$98,945. Both bids came in under the projected project cost. David stated that this will leave room to have additional roads striped this year. Staff recommendation is moving forward with Peek Pavement as the lowest bidder.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

8. Discussion Concerning BOE Property Transfer.

David presented the board with the quit claim deed for the transfer of the BOE property to the county. This facility is currently the student services building for the school systems, the plans will to do some minor changes and upgrades to allow for it to become the elections office. The building will allow for all of elections to function out of one space.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

9. Discussion Concerning Freedom Blast Event.

David advised that a request from the city has been made regarding funding for the Freedom Blast event. David advised that in the past, the county has contributed \$4,000-\$5,000 towards the fireworks for the event. He recommends doing to same for this year's event.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

10. Discussion Concerning July 1st Office Closure.

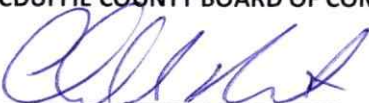
David advised that city administration would like to close the government complex on Friday, July 1st as an extension of the July 4th holiday. City Council has approved moving ahead with the office closures and have asked the county to do the same.

11. Discussion Concerning July 4th and July 6th Meetings.


David advised that staff is recommending canceling the meetings for July 4th and July 6th. Board agreed to cancel for now and if any urgent matter needs to be handled, a special meeting can be scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST: 

Nikki Milburn, County Clerk