



McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session
Monday, October 3, 2022, 6:30 PM
Government Center Training Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charlie Newton, Chairman
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner
Wm. "Bill" M. Jopling, Commissioner
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: McDuffie Progress

Other: 7

COMMISSIONERS' WORK SESSION

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion Concerning Bohler Road.

David advised that the county attorney is prepared to move forward with the process to abandon Bohler Road. A resolution will be approved showing the board agrees to the abandonment and then notification to adjoining land owners and public hearings will follow.

The item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

2. Discussion Concerning Revolving Loan Fund for GSK Metal Works.

David advised that Don Power and the Development Authority is requesting approval of a revolving loan fund for GSK Metal Works, this expansion will create 6 new jobs.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

3. Discussion Concerning FY23 EOA Meals Subcontract.

David advised that this is the standard contract for the meals on wheels program. This enables the county to provide free or reduced meals to the elderly and homebound. The total of this subcontract is \$21,000.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

4. Discussion Concerning LOST Certification.

David advised that Thomson and Dearing were in agreement of the LOST renegotiations. There were no changes to the amounts, Thomson will receive 32%, Dearing receives 1.25% and McDuffie receives 66.75%. This agreement stands for the next 10 years.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

5. Discussion Concerning Boys and Girls Club.

David advised that there continues to be a constant problem with vandalism at the Boys and Girls Club. Georgia Power is working currently to install additional lighting to the exterior and staff is also recommending to add security cameras. There are 3 options for the security cameras which are same system that the county currently uses for its complex and other buildings. David advised that he would recommend option 3 that leaves zero blind areas on the exterior and also adds an additional coverage to the interior. This option is \$26,685.94 and provides 8 exterior and 2 interior cameras.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

6. Discussion Concerning Animal Services.

David presented a tentative timeline for getting the animal shelter back in operation. He advised that he would like to start moving forward with finishing renovations to the shelter and hiring staff. The board agreed its time to start moving forward with hiring staff and getting a plan in place.

This item was informational only.

7. Discussion Concerning Letter of Support for Augusta Regional Airport.

David advised that Augusta-Richmond County is requesting a letter of support for the regional airport. Their plan is to create hanger space for additional companies to come in and lease these spaces.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

8. Discussion Concerning Lighting Agreement for Government Complex.

David advised that he has spoken with Georgia Power regarding adding 38 additional LED lights at the government complex. The cost has gone down and it would be a cost savings by adding these additional security measures.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

9. Discussion Concerning Concurrence with County Attorney Regarding Markatleo Street, Lokey Street and Brown Street.

David advised that the county attorney is requesting concurrence with his opinion in response to a matter regarding road acceptance. Kings Town Estates, LLC is seeking to build on a 23 acre lot off Wrens Highway. The previous owner advised that a request to have the county accept the listed 3 roads. In research of the minutes from 1970, there was never any acceptance of these road by the county. The board agreed that the county attorney is authorized to inform owner that these are not county maintained roads.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

10. Discussion Concerning FY23 Proposed Budget.

David presented the proposed budget packet for FY23. David advised the board to take the packets and review them and to call if they have any questions or concerns. Commissioner Jopling asked if the board could have a work session for budget prior to any of the public hearings. David agreed that one can be added at the next meeting for discussion.

Commissioner Favors asked if a fall trash amnesty could be added to the calendar. The board agreed to add this item to the next agenda for approval of October 15th.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to adjourn at 7:04 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson.

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. G. Newton', written over a horizontal line.

Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST: 
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk