# MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSION MARCH 23, 2015

PRESENT: Chairman Mark S. Culver, Commissioner Curtis Harvey, Commissioner Doug Sinquefield, Commissioner Brandon Shoupe, Preston Register, Acting County Attorney, Britney Clayton, Acting County Engineer, and William J. Dempsey, Chief Administrative Officer

**ABSENT: Commissioner Jackie Battles** 

Chairman Mark S. Culver called the 10:00 A.M. meeting to order, declared a quorum present, and welcomed everyone. He stated Commissioner Battles was out of town on business. Dr. Hayes McKay, Pastor, Covenant United Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Commissioner Sinquefield led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Commissioner Shoupe seconded the motion. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously.

Announcements and Public Comments from Chairman and Commissioners

Chairman Culver reported the "Spring Fling" was held at the Chattahoochee Park this past Saturday, and it was well attended. He stated it was a gorgeous day and the park was beautiful. He thanked the employees from the Farm Center, Maintenance, and Road and Bridge who help to maintain the park. He also thanked Bob Forte Motors of Marianna for their sponsorship. The chairman reported the director at the park is working on a Fall Festival for October. He also stated there would be an event in the near future for county employees, and more information would be coming out on it.

Chairman Culver called on Steve Carlisle, EMA Director, to come forward and bring his guest. Mr. Carlisle reported it was his pleasure to introduce Ms. Holly Britain, the new E-911 Coordinator. Ms. Britain reported she would take over her new duties on April 1<sup>st</sup>. She stated she has been employed with the City of Dothan over the past 20 years with 18 years in Dispatch and 2 years in the Records Division. Ms. Britain stated she was looking forward to getting started in her new role. Chairman Culver reported even though Ms. Britain would be the E-911 Coordinator, she would be considered a county employee. He congratulated her on her new position, and he stated everyone was ready to move forward.

#### Regular Agenda

1. Request to approve financing of 4 dump trucks with Regions and adopt the Resolution for the same.

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to approve the financing of 4 dump trucks with Regions Bank and to adopt the Resolution for the same. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. Commissioner Shoupe asked if this was in the budget? Chairman Culver reported it was and they had contacted

numerous banks. He called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. (Please see in Resolution Book)

2. Request to accept Commissioner John Ferguson's resignation on the SE Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission's Board and appoint Commissioner Kevin Dorsey to fill the unexpired term.

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to approve the request to accept Commissioner John Ferguson's resignation on the SE Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission's Board and to appoint Commissioner Kevin Dorsey to fill the unexpired term. Commissioner Shoupe seconded the motion. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Request to purchase property insurance for new garbage trucks/computer equipment not to exceed \$8,500.00 per year.

Commissioner Shoupe made a motion to approve the purchase of property insurance with Flowers Insurance Agency for new garbage trucks/computer equipment not to exceed \$8,500.00 per year. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. Mr. Dempsey reported this would be added to the county's regular policy, and he pointed out he had also talked to Steve Carlisle about the possibility of adding two pieces of equipment. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the vote was: YEAS: Commissioners Shoupe and Harvey NAYS: None Commissioner Sinquefield abstained. The chairman declared the motion passed.

4. Request to approve amended preliminary plat for Liberty Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the amended preliminary plat for Liberty Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition. Commissioner Sinquefield seconded the motion. The chairman called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Request to approve items to be sold on GovDeals.

Commissioner Shoupe made a motion to approve the items to be sold on GovDeals. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman Culver reported the county has had a lot of success recently on GovDeals. (Please see attached list in Minute Book)

6. Request to award bid for hot plant mix (424 wearing surface).

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to award the bid for hot plant mix to the low bidder meeting specs, APAC-Southeast, Inc., for a total bid of \$1,997.90. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. (Please see attached Bid Summary Sheet in Minute Book)

Staff Reports:

Chief Administrative Officer – there was no report

## **County Engineer**

Acting County Engineer, Britney Clayton, reported Webb to Kinsey Road between Bill Yance Road and Country Gardens was closed for cross drain repair for the next 2 weeks.

## **County Attorney**

Acting County Attorney, Preston Register, had no report.

#### Adjourn

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Shoupe seconded; and the motion carried unanimously.