

**SCHLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Tuesday, January 9, 2018**

The Schley County Board of Commissioners held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting January 9, 2018. Those present were Chairman Greg Barineau, Vice-Chairman Doug Jamieson, Commissioner Dennis Jones, Commissioner Bill McClellan, Commissioner Brian Belcher, County Manager Bill Sawyer, and County Clerk, Kathy Bruer.

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barineau called the meeting to order and welcomed all guests.

**ITEM 2. INVOCATION**

Commissioner Jones gave the invocation.

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Vice-Chairman Jamieson a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jones and all were in favor.

**ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 12TH MINUTES**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 12th meeting. Vice-Chairman Jamieson seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**ITEM 5. APPROVAL/DENIAL RE-APPOINTMENT OF TAMI WAINWRIGHT TO BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Vice-Chairman Jamieson made a motion to reappoint Tami to the Board of Assessors, seconded by Commissioner Belcher and all were in favor.

**ITEM 6: APPROVAL/DENIAL GEFA LOAN APPLICATION FOR SCHLEY COUNTY UTILITIES AND SCHLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Bill stated that we have two wells that are each 600' deep. The Stevens Road well is running at about 75% capacity because of rust. The green filter system, if approved, will keep us from having to bleed the lines like we do now. The Schley County Utilities Authority has asked that we submit the application. We'd like to get submitted so it can go before the Georgia Environmental Board on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. We would receive an \$18,000 grant and our payments would be \$1,600 per month but we would be saving money from bleeding the lines and using less chemicals. The interest rate is 1.89% but we have asked for it to be reduced by 1%. This would be a 20-year obligation. We need to get the paperwork signed and to GEFA; the work must be completed within 90 days. Bill recommends the Board approve. Chairman Barineau stated that this is the most plausible fix for the County. Vice-Chairman Jamieson a motion to approve the application, seconded by Commissioner Jones and all were in favor.

**ITEM 7: APPROVAL/DENIAL TO PROCEED WITH RESOLUTION FOR 2019 SPLOST**

Bill stated that the six-year SPLOST ends June 2019 and he must have permission to put another one on the ballot for this year. This is the fairest tax for everyone and Bill recommends that we proceed. Vice-Chairman Jamieson made a motion to proceed with adding the 2019 SPLOST to the ballot; Commissioner Belcher seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**ITEM 8: UPDATE ON SVE SYSTEM & CONTRACT**

Bill stated the project is 95% complete. Our plans are to submit all files to the EPD on the 14<sup>th</sup> of this month and ask for our reimbursement. We have spent approximately \$227,000. Bill stated we should get back 100%.

**ITEM 9: DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Fire/EMS – Duane stated December was a busy month for them, with 74 calls. Duane is predicting over 800 calls during the 2018 year. Duane stated they plan to start a Recruit School in Schley County. It will run January 22<sup>nd</sup> – mid June; two nights a week. Doug asked if someone wanted to volunteer but not be a firefighter would they need to attend; Duane said they would need to take a support class.

Public Works - Mark Royal stated they made repairs/improvements on various roads in the county. Continued mowing and picked up trash on right of way. Serviced equipment.

Water – Art Barfield stated they used the new handheld computers and software to complete meter readings this month. The system worked flawlessly. The meters were read, and the bills were processed within three days as opposed to 8-10 days with the old system. He installed one new meter, installed taps for three new services, flushed hydrants on Stewart Road and Larkin Lane, locked 2 meters and unlocked 1. Has completed 20 locates and two new 911 addresses

Zoning – Bill stated we had three permits. As stated previously, the Wilson’s who live in the Perry Brothers subdivision never put in a septic tank. We have worked with them and explained they cannot live there without one. We now have no other choice but to take them to court. State Law is specific about a septic tank; we cannot allow them to live there.

**ITEM 10. COUNTY MANAGER REPORT**

Bill stated the LMIG supplemental application for stripping has been submitted. Bill will meet with GEMA next Friday at 9:30. We are waiting to hear back from the state about removing all Railroad Stop signs. The Rail Road has not paid their taxes because they say they no longer have service here; we are contesting that decision. Bill stated that Bill Krenson will bring his audit report next month.

**ITEM 11. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Bill Sawyer presented the financials; he stated that we are holding on and have not had to borrow any money.

**ITEM 12. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Vice-Chairman Jamieson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Belcher seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Attest:

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Greg Barineau, Chairman

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Kathy Bruer, County Clerk

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