

SCHLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, October 9, 2018

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

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 made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, Commissioner Jones seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 18TH MINUTES

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

ITEM 5. GEORGIA FORESTRY ANNUAL UPDATE

Brent McCarty presented his annual forestry update.

ITEM 6: ZONING BOARD UPDATES

Bill stated we had one house permit and one double-wide. He stated there were several inspections. We have received a request from Verizon to add a cell tower close to Murray's Crossroads. Once Verizon decides on the location, and the Zoning Board recommends approval, it will be brought before the Commissioners.

ITEM 7: DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works - Mark Royal stated the yellow dump truck is at Wall's due to transmission problems. The third round of mowing has been completed on New 19. The boom mower has been down for repairs. The dry weather has hindered road grading; they will begin again once we have some rain. Mark Blackston gave notice last week his last day was Friday. Curtis Dent had an accident; a hydraulic hose burst, and he tried to deflect it from hitting Ronnie King and it hit Curtis's finger. He's in therapy now and not sure how long he'll be out.

Water – Art Barfield stated the water usage was down this past month; the City did not use any water. The gas pipeline project is complete. He flushed water mains on Willie Shirah, SR 26, Lacrosse and Concord Church Roads due to iron complaints. He repaired two service line leaks. Installed a one new tap and turned on service for three new customers. He completed 13 locates. Bill Welch completed the 40-hour operations class and passed the state exam for his Water Operator Class III license.

ITEM 8: COUNTY MANAGER REPORT

Bill stated we have received a request from Lois Nelson to re-open Firetower Road. Bill's recommendation was to NOT re-open the full road. Vice-Chairman Jamieson made a recommendation to not reopen the road until we have further information; seconded by Bill McClellan and all were in favor.

Bill stated that currently we are charging \$16.25 per garbage container. It is costing us \$16.45. We have not raised the rates because we use the Insurance Premium tax to defer the cost. We have received notice of a new

increase, which will be \$17.60 per container. That is a 2.7% increase. Greg asked how much longer we're under contract with Waste Management. Bill stated two years. Commissioner Jones made a motion to leave the cost as is for now, seconded by Vice-Chairman Jamieson, and all were in favor.

Bill stated we will be receiving \$204,598.86 in the LMIG account. We will be paving Buck Creek at a cost of \$557,000; which we'll have to take \$60,000 out of general fund. Bill has listed the roads where he gets the most complaints: Englishville Rd, Candy Cane Lane, Heath Road and Ebenezer. It was recommended that we not do anything on Ebenezer until after the bridge is repaired. Bill asked for everyone to think about what approach they want to take for the next meeting. We can roll money over for up to three years. Vice-Chairman Jamieson suggested to look at Hopewell Church Road too. Commissioner Belcher added Larkin Lane and Lacrosse.

ITEM 9: FINANCIAL REPORTS

Bill Sawyer presented the financials. Bill said we must pay the TAN back by December 31, 2018. The tax notices went out September 21st so we should start receiving tax money. Commissioner McClellan made a motion to pay the TAN back; seconded by Vice-Chairman Jamieson, all were in favor.

Bill met with the gas representative and that project is wrapping up. The Joint Development Authority met with the Schley County Industrial Corp last week about ways to bring more industry into the county. We have no lawsuits or judgments against the county. The Peek lawsuit was never in filed with the Clerk.

ITEM 10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Belcher seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Attest:

Greg Barineau, Chairman

Kathy Bruer, County Clerk

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