



# SCHLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Minutes

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 6:30 pm**

Jury Room, 14 S. Broad, Ellaville, Georgia

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**Minutes:**

Chairman McClellan called the meeting to order.

### 2. INVOCATION

**Minutes:**

Commissioner Jones gave the invocation.

### 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Minutes:**

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

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 8TH MINUTES

**Minutes:**

Commissioner Hammack made a motion to approve the June 8th minutes as presented. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion and all were in favor.

### 5. DISCUSSION OF LANDFILL REPAIRS

**Minutes:**

Doug Jamieson stated that he spoke with TTL again and the proposal we had previously received including closing the damaged site and opening a new piezometer development, survey, close out and sending a report to EPD. The cost is \$11,722.50 and we can pay out of the ARPA account. Commissioner Hammack suggested that we move the slab and see if there is any damage or if the pole is broken. Doug said it needs to be done before TTL does our next test, which is in December. Doug stated that it's \$6,600 for the well, \$1,214 for the new well, \$2,400 for surveying, \$1,372 for the reporting. Mike would like to call EPD and ask if this is something he can do. Commissioner Jones made a motion to table this until next month, seconded by Commissioner Hammack and all were in favor.

## 6. APPROVAL/DISCUSSION GYMNASIUM REPAIRS/BIDS

### Minutes:

Doug stated he had been informally talking to people about the demolition. We will now ask for a uniform quote. Ellaville Recycling has agreed to bring a trailer and haul off the debris. We would get some money but not as much if we'd taken it ourselves. Commissioner Hammack suggested to include in the bid the cost of demolishing the building and hauling off. Commissioner Hammack made a motion to send out for bids , seconded by Commissioner Pilcher and all were in favor.

## 7. WORKPLAN FOR AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT

### Minutes:

Doug Jamieson stated that we have to come up with an initial plan to submit. We have already reimbursed the salary for EMS and Jailers through May 31st. Will continue to transfer these funds, as long as we meet the criteria. We will replace the HVAC units at the Health Department and DFACS. This will be around \$25,000 total. We are expecting to pay the \$11,000 to TTL. Doug stated that we need to be looking for an ambulance he wants to get more clarification before we go any further. If we could use the ARPA money for this then we can use SPLOST money to pay for a remount on the other ambulance. That would be like getting two for one. The poverty level in the city can help us with money since EMS is located in the city.

## 8. EMS EQUIPMENT

### Minutes:

Doug stated we need a cardiac monitor for the second ambulance. Duane said he new standard is to have a 12 lead on each ambulance. We have one that was bought in the 90's. We have a three lead as well but it doesn't meet the standards for ALS. They cost around \$32,000. Commissioner Hammack made a motion to purchase the 12 lead; seconded by Commissioner Jones. All we in favor. Doug will make sure we can pay out of the ARPA money.

## 9. SPLOST PRIORITIES

### Minutes:

Doug stated that he has listed the Gymnasium, Mini excavator/mulcher, fire truck and ambulance. We will pay for the motor grader out of Splost. An excavator could be used everyday. It can be hauled to the location rather than driving on the road. Webster County has one on a five year lease with an option to purchase at the end. They are letting it go back and getting a new one. Chairman McClellan said he would like to look at the excavator.

## 10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

### a. FIRE / EMS

#### Minutes:

Duane stated they had 58 EMS calls and ten fire last month. He received a LZ kit from the GA Trauma Commission. It's a light that can be used to warn people to

slow down. They are starting to inspect the hydrants; they will flush them the next cycle.

**b. PUBLIC WORKS/SCHLEY COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

**Minutes:**

Art Barfield stated water usage was up last month. We sold water to Ellaville and the City of Andersonville. The Stevens Road well has a lot of iron content. They have been working to rectify the problem. He has talked to the engineer at Adage concerning the sand filter system. Art said it is not working right. He's trying to find a solution to that also. They repaired a 2" mainline leak, a fire hydrant leak, and a pressure reducing valve. They installed one new water service and one new meter. They locked two meters due to residents moving, repaired a service line leak, completed 19 locates for 811 and created two new 911 addresses. The grander ran as weather permitted. They cleared trees, hauled sand and gravel, cleaned out ditches, repaired a large mud hole, picked up trash, replaced the air compressor at the landfill on the Soil Vaper Extraction system, mowed and cleaned around the well heads and landfill. Operated the brush mower on several roads, repaired a washout, potholes, replace county signs on several roads, installed speed limit signs and cleared trees overhanging the roadway. Art said he is having some personnel issues; two employees are gone and one is leaving next week.

**c. RECREATION REPORT**

**Minutes:**

Jack Clark stated they are wrapping up the baseball season. The 10U is heading to the state championship. They are working on the fall sports now: football and cheerleading. Jack said someone has been cutting donuts on Airport Road and it is really messed up. He asked if the County could help get it straightened out.

**11. COUNTY MANAGER REPORT**

**a. EMA DIRECTOR / ZONING / FINANCIALS**

**Minutes:**

Doug stated the annual EMA report has been submitted. He had 18 inspections (9 electrical, 5 foundation, 2 plumbing, 1 COO, 1 Firewall) and 7 permits (0 house, 0 mobile homes, 5 timber, 1 storage building, 3 electrical). Doug stated that we have changed the phone/internet services and we should start seeing a savings of about \$2,100 a month. We will be opening bids for Englishville and Candy Cane Lane on July 29th, our estimated 2022 LMIG is \$215,327.34 Doug stated that we are having a cash flow problem; we have tightened the belt as much as possible and we are not spending unnecessary money but we are going to have to get a TAN. Doug suggested we get \$250,000 but get out increments of \$50,000 and notify the Commissioners when we do that. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the TAN, seconded by Commissioner Hammack. All were in favor. Doug stated that Frank Butcher came by to see him. They

discussed the \$90,000 for the reval. Joe had said he thought it could be done cheaper but he never got back with us. Doug looked on the state website and there is not a firm timeline but it is recommended to do 1/3, 1/3, 1/3 so you stay current. If our values get too far off from the state they can withhold money from us, such as LMIG. We have waited too late this year. Everything would have to be on the books by January 1 for the values to be on the assessments for next year. Doug suggested that we do need to start moving towards this, if not, we will never break the TAN cycle. If we raised the value and it was too high, we can always lower the millage rate but the school would have to be on board with that. One thing we've discussed is to get a full-time assessor and combine both jobs that we have now. Doug will begin the research process to correct the problem.

## 12. MOTION TO ADJOURN

### **Minutes:**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hammack. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

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Bill McClellan, Chairman

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Kathy Bruer, County Clerk