The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Vice-Chairman Commissioner David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Chairman Terrell Hudson, Commissioner Tony Lester, and Commissioner Harry Ward. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory and News Reporter Vienna News Observer - Tim Franzeen.

CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Hudson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

PRAYER
Clerk Linda Woodson led the Board in prayer.

ALLEGIANCE
Chairman Hudson led the board in the Pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL
Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve agenda with two additions per the request of Administrator Sanders and one addition per Commissioner Barron.

MINUTES
Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Barron the board voted unanimously to approve the Regular minutes of March 16, 2017.

FINANCIAL REPORT
The monthly financial report for March 2017 will be available at the next scheduled Board meeting in April.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
Dooly County E.M.A. Director Kenny Calhoun met with the Board and reported on severe weather that occurred on April 3rd and April 5th in Dooly County. Fortunately, Dooly County did not suffer any major storm damages, only a few roofs were reported throughout the County. He also reported; after the first and second siren warning, there was a radio failure where the system and the radio were not communicating. Also, he stated that there is a need for emergency shelter for Dooly County resident when it is necessary for evacuation. These are two problems that they will work on for future occurrences.

DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Administrator Sanders reported that the Board of Elections has received a letter of resignation from Charles Gregory on the Board of Elections and Registration.

POLICY ON COUNTY VEHICLES

The County has a policy regarding employees taking County vehicles home after work. Currently, the following employees are allowed to take a County vehicle home after work: Public Works Director Rodney Hair, Public Works Assistant Director Jimmy Towns, Recreation Director Jacob Joiner, Recreation Department worker Dexter Sutton, and EMS Director Don Williford. The Board agreed to review this matter further. The Board also instructed Administrator Sanders to notify these employees of the following County policy: "County vehicles shall not be used for personal errands or other non-County business, and shall only be used on County business or as authorized by the Department Head. Violation of this policy may result in severe disciplinary action, including discharge for a first offense at the County's sole discretion."

CORDELE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FUNDING REQUEST

District Court Administrator Bob Nadekow has submitted the FY2017-2018 funding request totaling $91,142.00 for the Cordele Judicial Circuit Court: $59,188.00 – Superior Court; $24,220.00 – Juvenile Court; $7,734.00 – Data Exchange. For FY2016-2017, the funding request totaled $86,656.03. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve the 2018 budget request for $91,142.00 that will be effective July 1, 2017.

SYLVESTER GRANVILLE

Sylvester Granville, a Dooly County Citizen, requested to address the Board with concerns for playground equipment for Lilly, Georgia.

JOB VACANCY FOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE

At the March 16th meeting, the Board voted to offer employment to James Herndon for the position of Building Maintenance Worker. Since then, Mr. Herndon refused the offer of employment. Therefore, the Dooly County Commissioners are accepting applications for a fulltime Maintenance/Groundskeeper for the Building Maintenance Department. Deadline for applications is 5:00 PM on Monday, April 17, 2017.

JOB VACANCY FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGER

The Dooly County Commissioners are accepting applications for a fulltime Solid Waste Manager for the Public Works Department. Jennifer Jones previously was employed in this position, but has resigned. This position will serve as the main contact for the Solid Waste Collection Program. Deadline for applications is 5:00 PM on Monday, April 17, 2017.

LMIG CONTRACT

Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract with Georgia Asphalt Inc. for the 2017 LMIG resurfacing projects at an estimated cost of $802,364.15.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Scotty Mashburn with the Dooly County Industrial Developmental Authority met with the board to request 125-150 loads of sand from the Public Works Department. This sand will be used to prepare the site for a Spec Building that the IDA is constructing in the Unadilla Industrial Park. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve that the Public Works Department will supply 125-150 loads of sand for the Spec building in Unadilla Industrial Park.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

A member of the Dooly County Board of Education has inquired if the County could patch some "potholes" in the parking lot and drive at the Dooly County High School? The Board agreed that the Public Works Department can assist with the pothole patching in the parking lot and drive at the Dooly County High School.

EXTENSION AGENT RESIGNATION

Jay Porter, Dooly County Assistant Extension Agent has submitted his resignation from the Dooly County Extension office to accept a position (effective May 1, 2017) at the Pulaski County Extension Office.

PUBLIC HEARING

The County has received a request that a section of Thompson Road be relocated. The proposed section is located between Nellieville Road and Kent Smith Road. The attached map shows the location of the section of road to be abandoned and the location for the proposed new section of road. The County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing on this matter at 10:00 AM. Lee Richter of 1655 New Cut Road had some concerns about the paving of the Road. Scott Everidge agreed to donate 60' Right of Way for the new section of road to the County. Mr. Everidge also agreed to construct the new section of road to county specifications at no cost to the County. Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously that, upon the acquisition of the right of way for the new section of road and the construction of the new section of road, the County would abandon the requested section of Thompson Road because no substantial public purpose would be served by it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Ward the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:32 a.m. to discuss a personnel and litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, AL Willis, Magistrate Court Judge was present to discuss the personnel matter with the board.

REGULAR SESSION
Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:12 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read as in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

ADJOURNMENT
Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the regular meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING
The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

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