

LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting Summary Minutes

March 17th, 2020

7:00 P.M

The Lamar County Board of Commissioners held their March 17th, 2020 meeting at the Lamar County Administration Building via Zoom Meeting & Chat an enterprise video conferencing webcast.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. on March 17th, 2020. Present for the meeting were Chairman Glass, Vice-Chairman Thrash, Commissioner Heiney, Commissioner Traylor, County Administrator Townsend, County Clerk Davidson. County Attorney Scott Mayfield. Commissioner Horton was present for the meeting via Room Meetings & Chat. Walter Geiger with the Barnesville Herald Gazette was also present for the meeting.

Actions Taken

1. Chairman Glass announced that the Public Hearing was cancelled until April 21st, 2020.
2. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The Invocation was given by Chairman Glass
4. The Board approved the agenda with several changes. They added an Ag Arena Agreement, they removed Ordinance 2020-01 by Emily Hutto and Resolution 2020-05 Subdivision Application by Chadwick Parson due to the Public Hearing being cancelled. They added a Modified Fiscal Policy for the Duration of the Emergency.
5. The Board approved the
6. The Board approved the following 2 sets of minutes.
 - i. Workshop Meeting-February 12th, 2020
 - ii. Regular Business Meeting-February 18th, 2020
7. The Board approved two Proclamations
 - National Donate Life
 - National Crime Victim's Right Week
8. The Board viewed a picture of the Lamar County 4-H Club regarding National Kicks Butts Day which is March 18th, 2020.
9. The Board approved the Purchase of Playground Equipment for the Recreation Department from Miracle Recreation Equipment, Co for a total cost of \$24,853.00.
8. The Board approved the Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment for a total cost of \$442,112.68.
9. The Board approved the Bid for Vehicles and Equipment. The board approved BB&T as the bank to service the loan for a total cost of \$442,791.51 with an interest rate of 2.43 percent. The first loan payment will be due on 3/4/2021. The funds will come out of Debt Service
10. The Board approved the bid for Right of Way Mowing. The board approved BCLS, the lowest bidder. The total cost is \$212,940.00 and includes three mowing's and 3 litter pickups.
11. The Board approved the Surplus of Board of Election Equipment. The total cost of the equipment is \$6,650.00 and was originally purchased by the County. The State will pickup

and store the equipment but it had to be surplused first.

12. The Board approved the Surplus of Public Works Copiers. The original value of the copiers were \$15,400.00. They currently aren't worth anything and instead of taking them to the landfill, County Administrator Townsend has someone that may interested in purchasing them for a small sum of money.
13. The Board heard an Administrator's Report from County Administrator Townsend. He said that the Fund Balance is \$1,362,000.00 over what was projected. He reported that the Revenues were much higher in some areas such as the Tax Ad Valorem Sales Tax (TAVT) and the funds were carried over. He said that he has tried to budget the contingency line item a little higher in the past in an effort to eliminate the Tax Anticipation Note (TAN). He reported that the projections for January 2020 are on track for where they should be and the carryover was a little higher than in the past therefore the starting balance is higher than projected. He reported that in the Public Works Department Possum Trot Road was washed out on February 6th, 2020. It has been closed since then and the biggest challenge has been with receiving the pipe for the project. The cost for the pipe is \$4,700.00 and the rock to replace the bridge is \$13,316.00 and they are also going to put gravel on that road for a cost of \$22,5000 bringing the total to \$35,800.00. Chairman Glass and County Administrator reported that the pipe was so old that it had rusted out at the bottom. County Administrator Townsend gave a report on the Grants that the County has received and also the ones that are currently being worked on.

Grants Received

- 1) Historical Grant with the Georgia Archives and the Board of Regents of the University of Georgia (USG)- Department: Old Jail Museum - Top Loading Sleeves for Records
- 2) Mom and Pop Grant- Department: Senior Center Computer- Meals on Wheels Bags
- 3) Congregate Meal Grant-Department: Senior Center- Congregate Meals Home Delivery
- 4) Lamar Gives 365-Department: Senior Center-Blue Light Signs for Meals on Wheels Clients
- 5) Lamar Gives 365-Recreation Department-First Aid Kids for the Coaches
- 6) Lamar Gives 365-Fire Department for the Association.
- 7) Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP) for the 2020 Summer Grant-Recreation Department-Policy and Procedures Manual

Upcoming Grants

- 1) Kaboom Grant with Keurig and Dr. Pepper -Recreation Department-New Playground Equipment.
 - 2) United Way Grant-Senior Center
14. The Board heard Public comments from Randy Vining and Melissa Cline thanking them for approving the Second Amendment Sanctuary County Resolution.
 15. The Board heard Round Table comments.
 16. The Board adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:42 p.m.