

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MADISON, GEORGIA,
MET THIS DAY IN REGULAR SESSION.

MEETING WAS HELD ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

PRESENT: Chairman Ben Riden, Jr., Vice-Chair Bill Kurtz, Commissioners Philipp von Hanstein, Donald Harris, and Blake McCormack.

STAFF: County Manager Adam Mestres, Assistant County Manager Mark Williams, County Attorney Christian Henry, and County Clerk Leslie Brandt.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Kurtz to approve the agenda with the following modification: remove Tiny Home Hardship Request from New Business. Motion Passed Unanimously.

FY2024 BUDGET PRESENTATION

County Manager, Adam Mestres presented the FY2024 proposed budget. There will be a public hearing regarding the FY2024 proposed budget June 6th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. and the budget adoption will be June 20th, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

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Motion by Commissioner McCormack, Seconded by Commissioner Kurtz to approve the minutes with the recommended verbiage modification to page 2 of the minutes. Motion Passed Unanimously.

TRAYLOR BUSINESS SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWAL

The Tax Assessors office contracts with Traylor Business Services (TBS) to conduct personal property audits. The current contract with TBS is set to expire June 30, 2023. Chief Appraiser, Robert Bailey is requesting to renew the contract with TBS to begin July 1, 2023 to run for a twelve-month period. The agreement, if neither party is in default, will automatically renew itself for successive periods of one year each, unless either of the parties furnishes the other written notice to the contrary. Bailey stated there are no changes to the budgeted amount for services, and that the county attorney has reviewed and approved the contract.

Motion by Commissioner Kurtz, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the contract renewal with TBS to begin July 1, 2023 as presented. Motion Passed Unanimously.

FIRE ENGINE PURCHASE

Fire Chief Jeff Stone presented quotes for a new fire engine purchase. The replacement plan for the past several years was to purchase a new engine every two years, and this is the next year to order a new truck. Due to inflation and supply issues, commercial trucks are now 31+ months out on build time. All manufacturers are giving an estimated price on commercial chassis engines with a clause that states buyer will pay any additional chassis increase fee at time of delivery. Those additional prices are unknown. Custom trucks are giving a locked in price versus commercial engines.

The Board discussed with Fire Chief Jeff Stone leaving at the end of May, if it would be best to wait until a new Fire Chief is hired to decide on purchasing a new fire engine.

Motion by Commissioner Kurtz, Seconded by Commissioner McCormack to table until a new Fire Chief is hired. Motion Passed Unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Gary Savage, Buckhead resident thanked Commissioner Kurtz and Planning Director Chuck Jarrell for attending the Morgan Estates HOA and fielding questions from residents.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioners made comments and gave updates on Liaison assignments.

MOTION by Commissioner Kurtz, seconded by Commissioner McCormack to exit regular session and adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Ben Riden, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:

Leslie Brandt, County Clerk