



**Columbia County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 6:00 PM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Chairman Douglas R. Duncan, Jr.
Vice Chairman Gary L. Richardson
Commissioner Connie M. Melear
Commissioner Donald Skinner, Sr.
Commissioner Dewey G. Galeas
County Manager Scott Johnson
Deputy County Manager Glenn Kennedy
Deputy County Manager Matt Schlachter
County Attorney Chris Driver

Division Directors:
Paul Scarbary - Development Services
Kyle Titus - Engineering Services
Scott Sterling - Planning Services
John Luton - Community Services
Chief Jeremy Wallen - Fire Services
Michael Blanchard - Technology Services
County Staff

Members of the Media and Public

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Skinner gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager Johnson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Chairman Duncan declared a quorum with five Commissioners present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) June 21, 2022

Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022 Board of Commissioner meeting as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Duncan presented the July 05, 2022 Agenda.

G. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND / OR DECLARATION

H. CONSENT AGENDA

In accordance with Columbia County Code of Ordinance Section 2-81(6), the following items were voted on collectively. Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(H1) Community and Emergency Services Committee

(H1a) Independent Contractor Agreement with Kristine Galindo for a Senior Center Ceramics Instructor

Approved an Independent Contractor Agreement with Kristine Galindo for a Senior Center Ceramics Instructor.

(H1b) Library Services Agreement with the Greater Clarks Hill Regional Library System
Approved the Library Services Agreement with Greater Clarks Hill Regional Library System.

(H1c) Tournament Agreement with GA Bulls Soccer Club Tournament
Approved a Tournament Agreement with GA Bulls Soccer Club.

(H1d) Purchase playground equipment for Savannah Rapids Park
Approved the purchase of playground equipment for Savannah Rapids Park in the amount of \$220,360.19; line code 22140.32.015.

(H1e) Independent Contract Agreement with Alex Cooper for computer class instruction at libraries
Approved an Independent Contract with Alex Cooper for computer class instruction at the libraries.

(H1f) Acceptance of the Lib Tech Grant from GPLS
Approved the acceptance of the Lib Tech Grant from GPLS in the amount of \$37,637.

(H2) Management and Internal Services Committee

(H2a) Juvenile Court Independent Contracts with Margaret Adams, Kathleen Conner, Jennifer Hunter, Kelly Kitchens, Jack R.B. Long, Joseph Pride, Shelia Wahman, Angela Chambers and Mukti Patel.
Approved the agreements with the Juvenile Court Independent Contractors for a one-year term beginning July 01, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2023.

(H2b) Agreement with Georgia Family Crisis Solutions for treatment services through the Columbia Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court and Veteran's Courts Treatment Services
Approved the Agreement with Georgia Family Crisis Solutions for treatment services through the Columbia Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court and Veteran's Court Treatment Services.

(H2c) Agreement with AmericanWork, LLC. for treatment services through the Columbia Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Mental Health Court
Approved an agreement with AmericanWork, LLC. for treatment services through the Columbia Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Mental Health Court.

(H2d) Proposal from CSRA Probation Services, Inc. to administer drug testing for the Columbia Judicial Circuit Felony Accountability Court
Approved a proposal from CSRA Probation Services, Inc. to administer drug testing for the Columbia Judicial Circuit Felony Accountability Court.

(H2e) Judicial Circuit Independent Contractor Agreement with Tanya Jeffords to serve as Accountability County Defense Counsel
Approved the Judicial Circuit Independent Contractor agreement with Tanya Jeffords to serve as Accountability County Defense Counsel.

(H3) Public Works and Engineering Services Committee

(H3a) Columbia County Sheriff's Office New Administration Building Information Technology Equipment
Approved the purchase from Presidio of information technology equipment and systems for the new CCSO Administration Building with a do not exceed cost of \$115,000; 22820.32.029.

(H3b) Change Order No. 2, Beam's Contracting Inc., Watermain Washington to Flowing Wells
Approved change order number two with Beam's Contracting Inc. for the Washington Road to Flowing Wells watermain project in the amount of \$233,614.23; 57037.25.015.657.

(H3c) Purchase, Ferguson Waterworks, Two Compactor Trench Rollers BMP 8500

Approved the purchase of two compact trench rollers BMP 8500 from Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of \$66,302.60; 511.5130.601081, 511.5125.601081.

(H3d) Engineering Proposal, Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC, Little Kiokee Creek Gravity Sewer

Approved an engineering proposal from Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC. for the Little Kiokee Creek Gravity Sewer expansion project in the amount of \$108,615.33; 57037.25.015.690.

(H3e) Engineering Proposal, Turnipseed Engineers, Project Funding Assistance for the Euchee Creek Harlem Interceptor Sewer Project

Approved an engineering proposal from Turnipseed Engineers to provide funding assistance of the Euchee Creek Harlem Interceptor Sewer project in the amount of \$9,000; 57037.25.015.687.

(H3f) Engineering Proposal, Turnipseed Engineers, Project Funding Assistance for Kiokee Creek WPCP

Approved an engineering proposal from Turnipseed Engineers to provide funding assistance for the Kiokee Creek Water Pollution Control Plant in the amount of \$9,000; 57037.25.015.688.

(H3g) Rejection of Bid # 2022023-BID3313 for SR 232 Columbia Rd @ S. Old Belair Rd Signal Improvements

Approved rejection of Bid#2022023-BID3313 for SR 232 Columbia Road and S. Old Belair Road Signal Improvements.

(H3h) Rejection of Bid # 2022022-BID3313 for S. Old Belair Rd Improvements at Old Belair Lane

Approved rejection of Bid#2022022-BID3313 for S. Old Belair Road Improvements at Old Belair Lane.

(H3i) Construction Services Contract with Augusta Industrial Services for the Zola Drive Storm Drain Rehabilitation Project

Approved the construction services contract with Augusta Industrial Services for the Zola Drive Storm Drain Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$88,934.91; 5215200.601100.

(H3j) Engineering Proposal with Columbia Engineering for the William Few Parkway Widening from Chamblin Rd to Lewiston Rd

Approved the engineering proposal with Columbia Engineering for the William Few Parkway widening from Chamblin Road to Lewiston Road in the amount of \$117,877.48; 22317.32.010.

(H3k) Construction Contract with Beam's Contracting, Inc. for LMIG 2022, Bid 2022015-BID3313

Approved awarding the bid and construction contract to Beam's Contracting, Inc. for LMIG 2022 in the amount of \$2,548,870.59; 91305.21.015.957.

(H3l) Construction Contract with Remac, Inc. for Riverwatch Parkway Pavement Preservation, Bid # 2022021-BID3313

Approved awarding the bid and Construction Contract with Remac, Inc. for Riverwatch Parkway Pavement Preservation in the amount of \$32,100; 22315.32.015.

(H3m) Title VI Plan Annual Renewal for Transportation

Approved the renewal of the Title VI Plan for transportation.

(H3n) Acceptance of supplemental Right-of-Way for Yelton Farms

Approved the acceptance of supplemental right of way along Tom Bartles Road and Ray Owens Road as shown on the plat by H&C Surveying dated May 23, 2022 being prepared for Yelton Farms contingent upon staff's approval.

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) Public Works and Engineering Services Committee

(I1a1) Change Order 1 with Dee Haire, Inc. for minor intersection improvements at the entrance of Whispering Pines

Vice-Chair Richardson made a motion to approve change order number one with Dee Haire, Inc. for the Whispering Pines intersection improvement project in the amount of \$47,600.75; line code 17372.37.015. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(I2) Items Added at the Meeting

J. LEGAL MATTERS

K. REQUESTS FOR REVIEW BY COMMITTEE

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PARTICIPATION

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(M1) Property

(M1a) Jamie & Shanon Bryant Tax Parcel # 071 002D to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Hardy McManus Road Widening Project

Vice-Chair Richardson made a motion to approve \$9,000 to Jamie & Shanon Bryant Tax Parcel # 071 002D to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Hardy McManus Road Widening Project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1b) Order to settle the condemnation and to deposit into the Court an additional \$64,677 to be paid to Johnnie Elaine Kelly Johnson and/or its representative for the Lewiston Road widening project

Vice-Chair Richardson made a motion to approve the Order to settle the condemnation and to deposit into the Court an additional \$64,677 to be paid to Johnnie Elaine Kelly Johnson and/or its representative for the Lewiston Road widening project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1c) LD & N LLC. Tax Map 058 218C for the Tubman Road fire station

Vice-Chair Richardson made a motion to approve \$190,000 to LD & N LLC. Tax Map 058 218C for the Tubman Road fire station. Commissioner Galeas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1d) Randolph E. Watkins, III parcel number 083 008 to obtain permanent and temporary easement for the Kelly Branch II Sewer Project

Vice-Chair Richardson made a motion to approve \$10,000 to Randolph E. Watkins, III parcel number 083 008 to obtain permanent and temporary easement for the Kelly Branch II Sewer Project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:04, Commissioner Galeas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Signature on File

Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Chairman

Signature on File

Renee W. Peloquin, Deputy County Clerk