



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

**August 1, 2023
1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220
6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Emily Davis
John Westmoreland
Kendrick Butts
Sammy Hall
Henry Craig

OTHERS PRESENT

Bandon Palmer
Carlos Tobar
Dawn Hudson
Cindy Cunningham

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emily Davis called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Sammy Hall delivered the Invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kendrick Butts led the Pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair John Westmoreland made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2023, Regular Meeting and July 18, 2023 Executive Session as submitted. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE / FISCAL MATTERS

Contract Award – Government Building Park

County Manager Carlos Tobar reported sealed bids were solicited for the park at the Government Building and the Harrisburg Streetscape Project. He stated three bids were received for the park, and the low bidder was Root Design in the amount of \$165,000.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to award the contract for engineering and design related services for the park at the Government Building to low bidder, Root Design, for \$165,000. Vice Chair John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Contract Award – Harrisburg Streetscape

County Manager Tobar reported two bids were received for the Harrisburg Streetscape Project with Stantec being the low bidder in the amount of \$133,000.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to award the contract for engineering and design related services for the Harrisburg Streetscape project to low bidder, Stantec, in the amount of \$133,000. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chair Emily Davis reported that she, Commissioner Hall and County Manager Tobar met with a representative of Waste Management to address problems with service being provided.

New Business

There was no New Business to come before the Board.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Carlos Tobar presented an update on County activities / projects to include: work completion on Shana Drive; work on Boddie precinct nearing completion; proposed changes to four ordinances being reviewed and public hearings will be scheduled at later dates; TSPLOST Resolution delivered to Elections Superintendent; staff is assisting Greenway Authority with Recreational Trails Program grant application with match and possibly future grant applications being funded from next SPLOST; preparing preliminary reports for two bridges in anticipation of applying for US DOT bridge grant in November if TSPLOST passes; preparing for 2024 Community Development Block Grant application and Community Home Investment Program application. Mr. Tobar presented an update on capital projects to include public buildings, water and sewer infrastructure, transportation, public safety equipment; recreation, broadband infrastructure, scrap tire amnesty day, and housing.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Cindy Humphrey, Simpson Proctor Lane, expressed her appreciation to County employees who had been helpful to her.

Mr. Gray Smith, 113 Allenwood Circle, addressed the Board expressing concerns regarding an animal control situation at 930 West Montgomery Street.

Ms. Pam Peacock, 196 Montego Bay Road, addressed the Board regarding an animal control situation at 930 West Montgomery Street.

Mr. Allen Mock, 151 Rocky Creek Court, addressed the Board regarding the condition of the road and requested the County's assistance in maintaining the road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. to discuss litigation and property disposal. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting at 7:40 p.m. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to authorize the filing of complaints against the Georgia Department of Public Health and the Georgia Department of Community Health as determined necessary by County Attorney. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kendrick Butts made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:45 p.m. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily C. Davis
Chair

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk