



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CALLED MEETING

**August 18, 2023
1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220
11:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Emily Davis
John Westmoreland
Kendrick Butts
Sammy Hall
Henry Craig

OTHERS PRESENT

Brandon Palmer
Carlos Tobar

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emily Davis called the Meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. She stated the purpose of the called meeting is to discuss the ambulance service for Baldwin County.

INVOCATION

County Manager Carlos Tobar delivered the Invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Henry Craig led the Pledge.

ADMINISTRATIVE / FISCAL MATTERS

Ambulance Service

County Manager Carlos Tobar reported a letter was received from Grady EMS notifying the County of their intent not to continue to provide ambulance service to the County effective November 5, 2023. Mr. Tobar stated he has discussed the termination of the contract with Grady, and they can extend the contract for an increased price, if necessary, through December 31, 2023.

Mr. Tobar stated he needs guidance from the Board as how to proceed with soliciting proposals for the provision of ambulance services. He discussed various options to include the following: in-house provision of services; formal solicitation or informal solicitation. After discussion of each option, the Board requested Commissioner Craig obtain information from ACCG about the number of counties that provide ambulance services in house. County Manager Tobar stated he has been contacted by two companies who want to present proposals to the County for ambulance services. Commissioner Hall recommended that discussions of the new contract encourage the new provider to hire current EMS employees.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to proceed with a formal solicitation for ambulance services. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to adjourn the Called Meeting at 11:22 a.m. Vice Chair John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily C. Davis
Chair

Carlos Tobar
County Manager