

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
MAY 15, 2018**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
30 GUESTS**

Vice Chairman Steward called the meeting to order.

Ms. Allie Grinner, Gordon County 4-H Extension Agent, came before the Board to introduce the students that are participating in the Youth Preparedness Initiative. Ms. Grinner advised the Board that 12 graduates are here today, these graduates are high school students and they have completed the eight-week CERT training class and have completed a service project where they equipped their family and other families to be prepared for emergencies. Gordon County is the first county in Georgia to implement this program and this is the first graduating class completing the course. Board members congratulated the students on completing this difficult course and thanked Ms. Grinner for her leadership.

Administrator Ledbetter discussed with the Board each item on the agenda for the Regular Meeting. There were no changes or additions made to the Agenda.

Administrator Ledbetter spoke to the Board concerning a request from Flipper McDaniel. He is requesting that the Board make an exception to our subdivision plat requirements, and allow those proposed that do not meet all of the requirements to be labeled Rural Estate Plats.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to go into Executive Session for Legal matters. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and all voted aye. Executive Session convened at 5:51 pm.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and go back into the Work Session. Commissioner Owens seconded and all voted aye.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business, the Work Session adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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Annette Berry, County Clerk

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Chad Steward, Vice Chairman

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**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 15, 2018**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on May 15, 2018 beginning at 6:15 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JIM LEDBETTER, CTY. ADMINISTRATOR  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
6 GUESTS**

Vice Chairman Steward called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation was led by Commissioner Owens. The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Chairman Steward.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chairman Steward asked if there are any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session May 1, 2018, and the Regular Meeting May 1, 2018. Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Cunningham, and Sexton voted aye. Motion approved.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Administrator Ledbetter read the report into the record. (copy attached).

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioner Owens reported that he attended the Leadership Gordon County graduation and the College and Career Board meeting. Commissioner Steward commented that he attended the political forum.

**CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

**PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED 2018/2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO THE BOARD**

Administrator Ledbetter presented each Board member with a copy of the proposed 2018/2019 fiscal year budget. This is for the Board members to review and to come back to the Administrator with any questions before the second meeting in June where the Budget will be up for approval. The budget will be posted on the County's website and a copy will be available in

the Clerk's office and the Library.

#### **BID AWARD FOR COPIER LEASE FOR GORDON COUNTY OFFICES**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a bid award for copier lease for county offices. The county accepted sealed bids from numerous vendors that were then evaluated by county staff. The recommendation is to award the bid to MSA, they had bid Canon copiers. Canon copiers are currently installed in our offices and the service history and user familiarity, along with the IT Department interface were deciding factors for the recommendation.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve awarding the bid to MSA for copier lease. Commission Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Sexton, Cunningham, and Owens voted aye. Motion passed.

#### **BID AWARD FOR ROOFING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BUILDING**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a bid award for replacement roofing of the Mental Health building. The county accepted sealed bids from three vendors that were evaluated by county staff. County staff recommends Horizon Roofing as the lowest responsive bidder.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve awarding the bid to Horizon Roofing. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Cunningham, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

#### **RESOLUTION REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIC AND CRISIS OF OPIOID USE**

Administrator Ledbetter advised this is a resolution for declaring the opioid crisis as a public health emergency and the Board of Commissioners declared that Gordon County shall pursue such legal action as is available against individuals, manufacturers, distributors and others as necessary. The Administrator read the resolution into the record.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, and Owens voted aye. Motion passed.

#### **RETENTION AGREEMENT FOR OPIOID LITIGATION**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a Retention Agreement for opioid litigation. The County retains J. Anderson Davis and his firm, Brinson, Askew, Berry, Seigler, Richardson & Davis, LLP to investigate, research, and prepare claims or complaints for Gordon County to file in any appropriate Court or before any appropriate governmental agency.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the retention agreement for opioid litigation. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Sexton, Cunningham, and Owens voted aye. Motion passed.

#### **BUDGET AMENDMENT EXPENDING MAY AND JUNE 2018 SPLOST REVENUE TO VARIOUS FUNDS**

County Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a budget amendment to spend May and June 2018 SPLOST revenue of \$1,309,898.00 to various expenditures totaling \$891,236.00.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the budget amendment for spending May and June 2018 SPLOST revenues. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Owens, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT TO REPLACE TWO SHERIFF PATROL CARS**

County Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a budget amendment in the amount of \$57,390.000 to replace two sheriff patrol cars that were wrecked.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the budget amendment to the Sheriff Department for two patrol cars. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Cunningham, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

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Annette Berry, County Clerk

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Becky Hood, Chairman