



WORK SESSION MINUTES

Carroll County Board of Commissioners March 12, 2016 – 8:00 A.M. Public Works Facility

Marty Smith, Chairman	P	George Chambers, D-6	P
Trent North, D-1	P	Cynthia Daley, County Attorney	P
Vicki Anderson, D-2	P	Susan Mabry, County Clerk	P
Tommy Lee, D-3	P	Trent Marlow, CDCC	P
Michelle Morgan, D-4	P	Don Johnson, Comptroller	P
Kevin Jackson, D-5	P	Anne Lee, HR Director	P

Present = P A = Absent

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Commissioner North offered the invocation.

AGENDA ITEMS

❖ **Review and Discussion of Northwestern Benefits Renewal**

Chairman Smith informed the Board that Northwestern Benefits needed some direction from the group in order to structure the upcoming insurance renewal package. Anne Lee, HR Director, discussed ancillary products offered to employees and the possibility of changing to one provider. There was also discussion of looking into providing the employees with several different tiered health insurance options and the implementation of a wellness program. Board agreed to look at different options for plans and for funding.

❖ **Review of Budget/Audit – Procedures and Process**

Chairman Marty Smith discussed and reviewed the new budget procedures which will simplify the process used in prior budget preparations. Copies of the FY2014-2015 Audit were presented to the Commissioners.

❖ **Update and Review of SPLOST Projects**

Gerald Pilgrim, SPLOST Coordinator, gave an update on SPLOST projects: E911/EOC Building (on schedule to be complete in June), Health Department Building (finishing details with the State; project to be completed in three phases), Fire Stations (mobile inmate crews to be here in a couple of months – project is ready to go), GA State Patrol Post (consensus for Chairman to negotiate purchase of property/building to be renovated), Administration Building (discussed potential site on Carrollton By-Pass and possible use of College Street property/building once evacuated), Little Tallapoosa Park – Splash Park and Horse Camp, and Oak Mountain property (waiting for Southwire to remove covenants on property).

Commissioner Jackson discussed the possibility of working with the Trust for Public Land to purchase some additional property along the Chattahoochee. The consensus of the group was to pursue the potential purchase of the property through TPL.

Pilgrim gave an update on GMASS project reporting that the project is 60% complete. He also advised that commercial properties are out of date and need to be reviewed.

❖ **Review of Policies and Procedures**

This item was not visited due to time constraints. Cynthia Daley, County Attorney, handed out a preliminary copy of the Employee Handbook with proposed changes for the Commissioners' review and discussion at a future meeting.

OTHER DISCUSSION

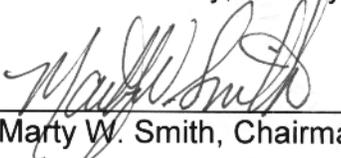
- ❖ Gerald Pilgrim, SPLOST Coordinator, discussed the possibility of the County allowing Chief Blue to write a SAFER Grant to see if the County can qualify. This grant would cover the cost of firefighter positions at 100% for two years. There being no retention period for these funded positions outside the two year grant period. To staff the two new fire stations twelve (12) firefighters will be needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for discussion, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:34 a.m.



Susan A. Mabry, County Clerk



Marty W. Smith, Chairman

These minutes were approved by the Carroll County Board of Commissioners on May 3, 2016.