



McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session
Monday, January 3, 2022, 6:30 PM
Government Center Training Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charlie Newton, Chairman
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner
Wm. "Bill" M. Jopling, Commissioner
Frederick Favors, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk

Media: Erin Burditt, McDuffie Progress

Other: 2

COMMISSIONERS' WORK SESSION

All agenda items are for discussion only. No action was taken during the meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion Concerning FY2022 Budget for DFAC Office.

David advised that the budget from DFAC was sent over for the board to approve. David stated that he was concerned because the office had already selected fund disbursement method on the budget, which was marked for prepayment of \$916.65 each month. Pam advised that this was not the budget has been funded previously, its normally done by reimbursement once the office submits invoices for expenditures. She also advised that for audit purposes she prefers if the budget is reimbursement of expenditures. The board advised that they would also like the opportunity to decide how the budget is handled. They asked for the budget to be revised and presented so they have the choice.

This item will be continued until a revised budget can be presented.

2. Discussion Concerning Deed Book Imaging for Superior Court Clerk's Office.

David advised the board that Connie has been working to digitize the deed books. This process has to be done on site since the books have to remain at the office. The cost of this process is \$33,687.50. There are funds remaining in the superior court budget and clerk's authority fund to supplement some of the cost. David advised that he will check with Connie to see what the remaining balance would be for the board to approve.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

3. Discussion Concerning GEFA Loan Extension Agreement.

David advised the board that the GEFA loan extension request was approved. The GEFA loan is for funding for the Wrightsboro road sewer extension project. This agreement is the revised to show the extension of the loan. There is also a resolution that will be done along with the agreement.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

4. **Discussion Concerning Resolution 22-01; Support Changes to Georgia's Annexation Laws.**
David advised the board that ACCG has presented this resolution that supports changes to the annexation laws. These changes will revise the procedures to follow and standards for the process.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

5. **Discussion Concerning ACCG Family Album Ad.**
David advised that this is the yearly agreement with Naylor for the family album ads. He advised that a new design or image will need to be chosen since the 150th logo was used for the last 2 advertisements. Nikki stated that the image can be chosen later and doesn't have to be decided right now.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

6. **Discussion Concerning Solid Waste.**
David advised that an open bid was held for solid waste hauling. Only one bid was presented, Waste Management at \$51.52 per ton. This is the current hauler for the county and have held the rates lower for the last several years to make it affordable. At this point, they do have to raise rates in order to remain profitable.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

7. **Discussion Concerning Road Resurfacing.**
David advised the board that LMIG for 2022 is due by the end of January. He presented the board with the draft list. He advised the board to let him know of any roads that they would like to add or change.

This item was information only.

8. **Discussion Concerning ARPA Funding for Toombs Judicial Circuit.**
David advised the board that a grant was submitted by the judicial side for ARPA funding. Along with the grant, the request included 2 positions in the DA's office that were not budgeted for. These positions are written to be county employees which means the funding for salary and benefits would be the responsibility for the county. David stated that he has a meeting scheduled with Judge Hinesley and DA Doupe to discuss this grant since no one from the county was advised prior to the submission.

This item will be continued until further information is available.

9. **Discussion Concerning Wrightsboro Road Sewer Extension.**
Update was given during prior discussion of item 3.

10. **Discussion Concerning Reappointment of County Clerk and County Attorney.**
David advised that this is the standard reappointment.

This item will be added to the next agenda.

11. Discussion Concerning Property Transfer from Board of Education.

David advised that the BOE is ready to transfer the building behind the old middle school gym to the board for the purpose of it being renovated into the new election's office. Renovations will need to be completed to satisfy the new standards set by the state for elections. But this building will allow for election equipment and offices to be in the same place.

This item will be adding to the next meeting agenda.

12. Discussion Concerning COVID Update.

David gave an update of how procedures will proceed for the most current increase in covid cases. Departments have been notified of how to proceed with exposures and positive cases.

13. Discussion Concerning Planning Board Appointment.

David advised that Bill Hopkins has expressed interest in being on the planning board. David advised that an appointment will be on the next agenda, so his name and anyone else the board may want to consider will be included.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

14. Discussion Concerning Shared Savings Agreement.

David advised the board that in the past the county has participated in shared savings agreements. This allows a consulting firm to do an analysis of utilities the county pays and finds cost savings and possible reimbursements.

This item will be continued for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST: 
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk