

The Turner County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the monthly “Work Session” meeting with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all present for the meeting. Staff present were Mary J. Wynn, County Manager, Latrice Wilson, County Clerk and John Holland, County Attorney. Others present were Nick Denham, Marie Hudgins, Janet Winter, Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer and Robby Royal, EMS Director/Fire Chief.

Chairman McCard called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Commissioner Hall gave the invocation.

Motion by Commissioner Hudgins seconded by Commissioner Burgess to approve the FY 15 Capital Improvement Assistance Contract between Georgia Department of Transportation and Turner County with a local share match of \$3,948.40 to assist with the purchase of one shuttle van with lift and amend the FY 2014-2015 operating budget and authorize Chairman McCard to sign contract on behalf of the County, motion passed, with Commissioners Burgess, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all voting in favor of the motion.

Commissioners discussed the agreement between Turner County and Statewide Engineers, Inc. for engineering services for resurfacing improvements to Bethel Road, Leon Williams Road and Lakeview Drive.

Commissioners discussed bids for base reclamation and resurfacing improvements to Bethel Road, Leon Williams Road and Lakeview Drive. Bids were submitted from the following construction companies: Reeves Construction Company (\$522,134.37), East Coast Asphalt, LLC (\$524,241.07) and The Scruggs Company (\$532,742.49).

County Manager’s Report:

First Quarter Financials – Through the first quarter (or 25%) of the fiscal year budget, we are at 14.3 % of revenues and 22% of expenses. There are two departments over 25%, Landfill at 37.4% and Special Appropriations at 29.6%. The reason these departments are over is we are waiting on reimbursements to the County on the landfill and airport.

EMS/Fire Warehouse – All work is completed on the warehouse including the electrical work that was done by county personnel.

Legislative Leadership Conference – Four County officials attended the Legislative Leadership Conference held in Athens October 8 through the 10 and the proposed County Platform was voted on which will be presented to the Legislature in January.

Cardiovascular Health Screening – We will have cardiovascular screening performed on any full time employee who wants to on November 4 and 5 in the EMS Training Room. This will be covered through the County’s health insurance and the employee will not have a co-pay for this procedure.

Wellness Committee – The Wellness Committee met on October 20th and were updated on the various training opportunities we have available to help meet the requirements of our Wellness grant.

Recreation Department – We have two new scoreboards up at the Recreation Department and were up in time for the last softball games. Our recreation department employees and the building maintenance employee worked well together to get the scoreboards up and running.

Christmas Parade – The Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 13 at 5 PM with line-up time at 4 PM. In case of rain, the parade will be the next Saturday, December 20, same time.

Sheriff/EMS/Fire/EMA and Turner County Health Department – The public safety departments held a Strategic National Stockpile exercise on October 23 at the Turner County Jail. The event was well-organized and the first 100 people were given a free flu shot by the local health department. All departments worked well together for this exercise.

EMS/Fire Department – We are highlighting the EMS/Fire Departments tonight and the EMS Director/Fire Chief Robby Royal will bring us up to date on these departments. Robby gave an overview of the day to day operations of the EMS and Fire Department.

The Work Session adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Sam McCard, Chairman

Attest: _____
Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk