

**Minutes of Called Meeting  
Elbert County Board of Commissioners  
Thursday, June 29, 2017**

Chairman Tommy Lyon called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Lyon, Vice Chairman Horace Harper, Commissioner Lee Vaughn, Commissioner Chris Alexander, Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth, Commissioner Freddie Jones, County Administrator Bob Thomas, County Attorney Bill Daughtry, County Clerk Tamara Butler, CFO Phil Pitts.

After the pledge to the United States flag the invocation was given by Commissioner Jones.

**Adoption of Agenda.** Commissioner made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Ashworth seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval of a State Contract bid for two vehicles for the Sheriff's Office. Contract price is \$25,498 each; includes lights and cages. Vehicles will be delivered to the Don Jackson dealership and will take approximately 90 days. Vehicles will be paid from the new SPLOST funds.** Investigator Darren Scarborough came before the Board seeking a change in the request from two (2) Dodge Chargers to one (1) 2018 Dodge Charger to be delivered in 90 days and one (1) new 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe to be used for investigations. The Chevrolet Tahoe list for \$41,000, but can be purchased for \$31,642.12, and will be available immediately upon the Board's approval. Mr. Scarborough is also asking the Board's approval for two (2) in- car cameras at \$4025.00 each. One camera will be used in the 2018 Dodge Charger and the other in an existing vehicle. Commissioner Vaughn made a motion to approve the purchases of a 2018 Dodge Charger, the 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe and two (2) in-car cameras from the new SPLOST funds. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval of bids for a self-propelled 24 inch floor scrubber to be used in the government complex, courthouse, rock gym and senior center gym.** Equipment will be paid from the maintenance budget. Mr. Thomas stated this is something that we have needed for a long time and will be used in many of the buildings. Three bids were received with the lowest being from Pro-Line Supply for \$6,089.00. Commissioner Alexander made a motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval to advertise for a RFQ for energy audit for county buildings. This project will include the government complex, sheriff's office, detention center, courthouse, EMS buildings and any other facilities that we determine.** Mr. Thomas stated that we have discussed doing this in the past. We will advertise for a qualifying company to conduct an energy audit. Mr. Max Black asked that the hospital also be included in the audit. Commissioner Vaughn made a motion to approve the advertisement for the RFQ energy audit. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval of the 2018 fiscal year budget.** Mr. Pitts stated that the budget was trimmed from 22 departments and 12 were increased. One in particular was the Fire Department budget due to the implementation of cancer insurance for volunteer firefighters. The proposed general fund budget for the 2018 fiscal year is \$11,224,134. Total budget of all funds is \$16,497,656. This is only a slight increase from last year's budget. Commissioner Ashworth made a motion to approve the 2018 fiscal year budget. Commissioner Harper seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Public Comments.** There were no public comments.

**Adjournment.** Commissioner Harper made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Alexander seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.