

**Called Meeting**  
**Elbert County Board of Commissioners**  
**Thursday, May 21, 2020 4:00 PM**

Chairman Lee Vaughn called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Vaughn, Vice Chairman Kenneth Ashworth, Commissioner Horace Harper, Commissioner Casey Freeman, Commissioner Chris Alexander, Commissioner Freddie Jones (came in late), County Administrator Bob Thomas, County Attorney Bill Daughtry, County Clerk Tamara Butler and CFO Phil Pitts.

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

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

**Discussion and approval of an emergency request to purchase a new ambulance for the EMS department.** Funds to come from the 2017 SPLOST project list. Commissioner Alexander made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Ford F350 Type I Traumahawk ambulance from Emergency Vehicle Sales for \$156,309.00 plus a \$600 delivery fee (if applicable). Commissioner Freeman seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval of the Employees Health Insurance Plan for 2020-2021.** Mr. Matt Bidwell with MSI Benefits Group stated to the Commissioners the insurance premium would increase 17% due to a number of large claims paid out over the past year. The Commissioners did not want to increase the amount paid by employees. Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve the Employees Health Insurance Plan for 2020-2021 with Anthem BCBS. Commissioner Harper seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

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

**Adjournment.** Commissioner Ashworth made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Harper. The motion carried 5-0.