

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 4, 2022

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on April 4, 2022. Chairman Christopher Cohilas presided and called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Russell Gray, Gloria Gaines, Anthony Jones and Ed Newsome. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison, County Attorney Spencer Lee, Deputy County Clerk Bristeria Hope and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person and via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Commissioner Clinton Johnson was absent.

After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman called for approval of the minutes for the March 7th Regular Meeting, March 14th Work Session and March 14th Special Called Meeting.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Newsome, the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Chairman called for consideration to purchase six pursuit utility vehicles from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$33,667.80 each for a total expenditure of \$202,006.80. Three vendors submitted bids with two meeting specifications and the highest bid received was \$207,505.32. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VII.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration to purchase fifty mobile radios for DCP from single source vendor Motorola Solutions (Albany, GA) in the amount of \$278,647.81. Parts are no longer available to repair aged inventory. Funding is available in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Commissioner Newsome seconded the motion. Under discussion, Commissioner Gaines wanted to know if the single source vendor could negotiate or provide a discount to the County for purchases. Mr. McCoy said that he will follow up with the vendor. There being no further discussion, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration to purchase two 2022 F-350 Cab & Chassis with an Ambulance Prep Package and Patient Module from Wade Ford (Smyrna, GA) in the amount of \$158,289 each for a total expenditure of \$316,578. The purchase will be made from the State of Georgia Contract. Funding will be provided by SPLOST VII.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Edwards, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for acceptance and execution of the contract to accept the bid for the carpet/cove base replacement for the Dougherty County Health Department from Continental Flooring Company (Scottsdale, AZ) in the amount of \$326,900 subject to execution of the contract by the County Administrator. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VII.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Edwards, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-017 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL OF A  
PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION FROM PUBLIC WORKS AND  
EXECUTING A CONTRACT WITH CONTINENTAL FLOORING  
COMPANY (SCOTTSDALE, AZ) FOR CARPET/COVE BASE  
REPLACEMENT AT THE DOUGHERTY COUNTY HEALTH  
DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$326,900;  
REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN  
CONFLICT HEREWITH;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Chairman called for consideration the acceptance of the quote to replace the air handler unit for the Dougherty County Health Department from RHC HVAC (Albany, Ga) in the amount of \$56,955.37. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VII.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for acceptance and execution of the contract to accept the proposal for Dougherty County's On-Site Medical Services from CareATC (Tulsa, Oklahoma) in the amount of \$492,863.89 subject to execution of the contract by the County Administrator. The recommendation is for one year firm price contract with

three options to renew for an additional one-year term. The proposed cost for year two is \$514,170.39 and year three is \$534,150.10. Funding is available in the General Fund.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Under discussion, Mr. McCoy shared that the self-insured onsite clinic referenced was for County employees and this vendor will take over management and administration operations. There being no further discussion, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-018 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL OF A  
PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION PROVIDING FOR A CONTRACT  
WITH CAREATC (TULSA, OKLAHOMA) TO PROVIDE ON-SITE  
MEDICAL SERVICES ON BEHALF OF DOUGHERTY COUNTY HUMAN  
RESOURCES DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF  
\$492,863.89; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS  
IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for acceptance and execution of the Professional Services Agreement between Dougherty County, GA and DCJ Global Management Solutions, LLC (Stockbridge, GA) in a not to exceed amount of \$157,500. This agreement is being entered in on behalf of Chief Superior Court Judge Willie Lockette to receive services of a grant administrator. In the January 24, 2022, Regular Meeting the Board accepted the Judicial Council of Georgia American Rescue Plan Act Funding Award in the amount of \$2,000,000. The stipulation of the award is to have a grant administrator. County Administrator Michael McCoy addressed. Mr. McCoy said that this is the group that Superior Court chose for their grant administrator.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Commissioner Newsome seconded the motion. Under discussion, Chairman Cohilas asked for more information on the recruitment strategies, current staffing levels, and filled positions. There being no further discussion, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-019 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION  
OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND DCJ GLOBAL MANAGEMENT

SOLUTIONS, LLC PROVIDING FOR DOUGHERTY COUNTY JUDICIAL  
GRANT MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT  
RELATIVE TO A JUDICIAL GRANT FUND AWARD THROUGH THE  
JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GEORGIA; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR  
PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution to adopt the amended and restated ACCG 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan for Dougherty County Employees. The effective date of the amended and restated Plan shall be January 1, 2022.

Commissioner Newsome moved for approval. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Under discussion, Chairman Cohilas said that he would ask Finance about offering this plan to high-level staff in the future. ACCG Retirement Services Regional Client Manager Ron Rowe informed the Board that this is a senior management plan for Dougherty County, but ACCG will administer it and said that the “senior management” should be included in the agenda wording. Chairman Cohilas amended the motion and reread the agenda item by adding the suggested words as follows: The Chairman called for a resolution to adopt the amended and restated “senior management” ACCG 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan for Dougherty County Employees. The effective date of the amended and restated Plan shall be January 1, 2022 “with zero participants.” Commissioner Newsome moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Jones, the amended motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 22-020 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE AMENDED AND  
RESTATED ACCG 401(a) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN  
FOR SENIOR MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES OF  
DOUGHERTY COUNTY.

Commissioner Edwards asked about the status of the information about the National Guard. Chairman Cohilas said that he met with the Mayor and asked that the County and consultant Ron Huffman be a part of the discussion. The Chairman also added that he would obtain more information from the Payroll Development Authority. Commissioner Jones asked for suggestions on ways the County could continue to recognize young people in the community especially during accomplishments. Chairman Cohilas asked that we work with DCSS Superintendent Kenneth Dyer on suggestions for student recognitions. Commissioner Jones also said that citizens in his district are still complaining about the store on Holly Drive and said that it needs to be demolished. The Chairman asked Mr. McCoy to reach out to Code Enforcement about this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK