



**PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
July 13, 2021**

**Watson Government Complex
Second Floor – Board of Commissioners Meeting Room**

CALL TO ORDER: David L. Carmichael, Chairman

**INVOCATION &
PLEDGE:**

Deborah Opie, Paulding County Minister

PRESENT:

David L. Carmichael, Chairman; Keith Dunn, Post I; Sandy Kaecher, Post II; Chuck Hart, Post III; Brian Stover, Post IV; Jayson Phillips, County Attorney; Frank Baker, County Administrator; Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk

MINUTES:

- 1. *The June 22, 2021 Work Session Minutes, the June 22, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes and the June 25, 2021 Retreat Meeting Minutes were available for review.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Team Paulding: Video of Employee of the Month Ms. Gina Dampier with Magistrate Court aired for the Board and audience.

INVITED GUESTS:

Mr. Patrick Vickers and Ms. Brittney Hickom with The Georgia Department of Community Affairs presented the Board of Commissioners with the Georgia Broadband Ready Community Certificate.

BID AWARDS:

- 2. *Award for radio system consulting services to Tusa Consulting Services, in the amount of \$88,920.00.*
Discussed action to approve the award for radio system consulting services to Tusa Consulting Services, in the amount of \$88,920.00. David Mumford, E-911 Director, stated Tusa Consulting Services was chosen from nine (9) applicants. This pricing is for the first three (3) phases of the project, which include writing and publishing a RFP, evaluating the RFP, and contract negotiation. Phase four (4) will be the implementation of the system and will be awarded at the end of this process.

Chairman Carmichael asked if the actual equipment would come in phase four (4).

Mr. Mumford stated that is correct.

Commissioner Stover asked how many companies are there to choose from to get a system.

Mr. Mumford stated there are three (3) main companies: Motorola, Harris, and Kenwood.

Commissioner Dunn asked how long this process will take to get to Phase four (4).

Mr. Mumford stated it is expected to take two (2) months. The vendors will have been interviewed and a selection made by then.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Chairman Carmichael read the following consent agenda items:

- 3. *Declare the following items listed as surplus, and approve their disposal through auction or trade:*

Department	Item Name	Make/Model	Serial Number
Fire	Unit 563 Truck	2009 Ford Explorer	1FMEU73E59UA33751
DOT	Unit 112 Truck	1995 Ford F800	1FDXF80E9SVA80830

DOT	Unit18 Air Compressor	1989	G00789
DOT	Unit 172 Roller	2005 Dynapac	18500147
DOT	Unit 179 Air Compressor	1989 Sulivan	5958
DOT	Unit 190 Wacker	2009 Wacker	6676193

4. *Approve the purchase of approximately 26.61 acres from Clay Anderson in the amount of \$998,000.00. Post 3*

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

5. *Ordinance 21-05, Enacting a new Chapter 25 of the official Paulding County Code entitled "Economic Development" and creating an Economic Development Incentives Ordinance:* Discussed action to adopt Ordinance 21-05, Enacting a new Chapter 25 of the official Paulding County Code entitled "Economic Development" and creating an Economic Development Incentives Ordinance. Michael Hughes, EDO and IBA Chief Executive, stated the EDO has been diligently working on creating an Economic Development Incentives Ordinance. He gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the incentive goals, the definitions, and the incentive programs.
- Commissioner Stover stated that these incentives are not only to look for new companies, but to help retain the current companies. He further stated that 70% - 80% of economic growth comes from businesses currently within the County.
- Mr. Hughes shared with the Board the new website and logo for the EDO.
- Chairman Carmichael thanked Mr. Hughes and his team for this presentation. He further stated that the County supports the EDO financially, through the budget, as well as having two (2) Commissioners serving on their Board.
6. *Approve reimbursement funding to the Paulding County Airport in the amount of \$940,000.00 for the Terminal Area Grading and Drainage project Phase 1A. Post 2:* Discussed action to approve reimbursement funding to the Paulding County Airport in the amount of \$940,000.00 for the Terminal Area Grading and Drainage project Phase 1A. Terry Tibbetts, Airport Executive Director, stated this project will bring sewer to the Airport. A few years ago, the City of Dallas extended their sewer line as far as they could towards the Airport. This project will complete that sewer line from the end of their line to the Airport.
7. *Authorize the Chairman to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Cobb County for 50% of the required funding for the Burnt Hickory Road, Stout Parkway, and Brownsville Extension intersection improvement project. Post 3:* Discussed action to authorize the Chairman to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Cobb County for 50% of the required funding for the Burnt Hickory Road, Stout Parkway, and Brownsville Extension intersection improvement project. George Jones, Transportation Director, stated that ½ of the intersection is in Cobb County and the other ½ is in Paulding County. Burnt Hickory Road is the dividing line. The IGA outlines cost participation for preliminary engineering, construction funding, construction shortfall, and defines right of way acquisition. He further stated that we had previously been awarded construction funds from GDOT, in the amount of \$1,448,412.00. The estimated engineer's construction cost is \$1,622,890.00, leaving a shortfall. At this time, each county owes \$233,657.00.
- Chairman Carmichael asked if this intersection would have two (2) lanes.
- Mr. Jones stated the intersection would be a single-lane roundabout that would be large enough to accommodate trucks.
8. *Authorize the Chairman to sign necessary documents to apply for NTIA Broadband Grant, including a letter of commitment, cooperative agreement with Heard, Carroll, Haralson and Polk County, as well as Resolution 21-14, on participation and match and other necessary documents as required:* Discussed action to authorize the Chairman to sign necessary documents to apply for NTIA Broadband Grant, including a letter of commitment, cooperative agreement with Heard, Carroll, Haralson and Polk County, as well as Resolution 21-14, on participation and match and other necessary documents as required. Ann Lippmann, Community Development Director, stated this project will follow the footprint of Carroll EMC customers to include Paulding, Heard, Carroll,

Haralson, and Polk Counties. The estimated total share of the grant for Paulding County is not to exceed \$5,000,000.00. Paulding County would provide a match of \$500,000.00.

Commissioner Kaecher thanked everyone who worked on this project.

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

Chairman Carmichael asked the Commissioners if they would like to make any announcements or comments.

Commissioner Kaecher wished Julie Hart and Cherie' Dunn a Happy Birthday.

Commissioner Hart wished his wife, Julie, a Happy Birthday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Sandy Kaecher made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Real Estate, seconded by Chairman Carmichael. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

Upon return from Executive Session, Chairman Carmichael made a motion to add, as an item of New Business, "Authorize to lease a portion of the Regions Bank Building to the Paulding County Genealogical Society Corporation on a temporary basis", seconded by Chuck Hart. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

ADJOURNMENT: Sandy Kaecher made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brian Stover. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.