



**PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
March 09, 2021**

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

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- CALL TO ORDER:** David L. Carmichael, Chairman
- INVOCATION:** Pastor Johnny McBurrows, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
- 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 February 23, 2021, Work Session Minutes and February 23, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes were available for review.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Team Paulding: The Recognition of the Employee of the Month- Thomas "Bones" Cantrell was aired for the audience and the Commissioners.

INVITED GUESTS: None

BID AWARDS:

- 2. Discussed action to award the FY 2021 Roadway Side Cutting/Trimming Maintenance Project I, to the lowest, responsive bidder, NGL & Erosion Control Group, in the amount \$64,184.00:* Discussed action to award the FY 2021 Roadway side Cutting/Trimming Maintenance Project I, to the lowest, responsive bidder, NGL & Erosion control Group, in the amount of \$64,184.00. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director stated this was an annual bid and is in line with previous years. She stated there were five (5) participants. George Jones, Transportation Director, stated this was the third contract for this type of work and will be funded through general funds.
- 3. Discussed action to authorize the Chairman to enter into an Agreement with NGL & Erosion Control for the FY2021 Countywide Shoulder Maintenance Services Contract, in the amount of \$854,622.00. The Contract provides multiple cycles for mowing, trimming and litter pick up on 521 miles of County Roads and 21 miles of four-lane State Highways:* Discussed action to authorize the Chairman to enter into an Agreement with NGL & Erosion Control for the FY2021 Countywide Shoulder Maintenance Services Contract, in the amount of \$854,622.00. The Contract provides multiple cycles for mowing, trimming and litter pick up on 521 miles of County Roads and 21 miles of four-lane State Highways. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director stated this also was an annual contract and there were eight (8) participants. George Jones, Transportation Director, stated there will be 521 miles per cycle of shoulder mowing and trash pickup. In season, there will be four (4) cycles and up to three (3) off season cycles. Agreements

with the Cities of Dallas and Hiram are in place for mowing and litter pickup on their sections of Highway 278. In the past we have only had two (2) off season cycles but with this contract we are actually paying \$18,000 less than last year and adding a third off season cycle.

Chairman Carmichael asked Mr. Jones about the Keep Paulding Beautiful Commission and the Inmate litter pickup program.

Mr. Jones stated that KPBC and Inmate program work in conjunction to supplement these cycles.

- 4. ***Discussed action to award the milling, base preparation, plant mix paving and shoulder construction of the entrance road to the Richland Creek Reservoir to the lowest responsible bidder, Bartow Paving Co. in the amount of \$289,298.36:*** Discussed action to award the milling, base preparation, plant mix paving and shoulder construction of the entrance road to the Richland Creek Reservoir to the lowest responsible bidder, Bartow Paving Co. in the amount of \$289,298.36. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director, stated this was for the entrance of the Richland Creek Reservoir and they received four (4) bids. The estimated time after the contract is signed would be a 60 days completion. Laurie Ashmore, Water System Director stated this would extend from highway 61 to the water plant and past the administration building to the back fence. This would also fix any problems left from the construction vehicles and would also provide parking at the park area.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

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

- 5. ***Appoint the following to the Keep Paulding Beautiful Commission with a three-year term ending December 31, 2023:***

Addition Representatives:

<i>Joey Collins</i>	<i>City of Dallas</i>
<i>Cliff McGrady</i>	<i>City of Hiram</i>
<i>Mary Carol Sheffield</i>	<i>UGA Cooperative Extension/4H</i>

Commission Post IV Representative, with a term ending December 31, 2023:

Erica Wilson *Post IV Representative*

- 6. ***Sgt. Lenny Carr is retiring from the Sheriff's Office on March 11, 2021; the policy to retire a service pistol to a Deputy has been met by Sgt. Carr. The Sheriff's Office request to retire Sgt. Carr's Glock Pistol.***

- 7. ***Appoint Sam Hill to fill the unexpired term of Kerry Tidmore on the Paulding County Airport Authority with a term ending December 31, 2021.***

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Richard Pawlowski spoke to the Board of Commissioners regarding Helping Hands. He gave some statistics of families that have been helped through the program and asked what the County could do to help with the relocation.

Chairman Carmichael stated the Board has not had any discussions on this issue.

Commissioner Stover stated he has been in touch with the Helping Hands Board throughout the last year. He stated that there are other organizations in the County like this one and feel programs such as these are important. He further stated we all need to pull together as a community to help with this need.

Chairman Carmichael asked the Commissioners if they had any announcements or comments.

Sandy Kaecher thanked the Keep Paulding Beautiful Commission for their work in the City of Dallas over the weekend. She stated that she was able to go and help with the litter pickup and they picked up six (6) large bags of trash just around the city. She also announced that the Keep Paulding Beautiful Commission would be in Hiram next if anyone was interested in helping with that area.

Commissioner Hart thanked Mr. Pawlowski for attending the meeting and speaking.

Chairman Carmichael stated he had spoken recently with Nicki Ivy with the Paulding County Health Department. She stated at this time they have opened the vaccine up to teachers, child care workers and parents of children with complex issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Brian Stover made a motion to go into Executive Session for Pending and Potential Litigation, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Carmichael made a motion to adjourn Executive Session for Pending and Potential Litigation, seconded by Chuck Hart. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.