



## Jackson County Board of Commissioners

### Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 7, 2022 • 6:00 P.M.

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jury Assembly Room at the Jackson County Courthouse, 5000 Jackson Parkway, Jefferson, Georgia.

Commissioners Present: Tom Crow, Chairman  
Jim Hix, Commissioner District 1  
Chas Hardy, Commissioner District 2  
Marty Seagraves, Commissioner District 4

Staff Present: Kevin Poe, County Manager  
Gina Roy, Assistant County Manager  
Ericka Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Press: Mike Buffington, Jackson Herald/Mainstreet News

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Tom Crow called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**B. INVOCATION:**

Kevin Poe, County Manager, gave the invocation.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Chairman Tom Crow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Planning Session – December 20, 2021:

Commissioner Hix moved to approve the minutes for the planning session held on December 20, 2021. Commissioner Hardy seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. (Vote 4 – 0)

Regular Meeting – December 20, 2021:

Commissioner Hix made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on December 20, 2022. Commissioner Hardy seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. (Vote 4 – 0)

Regular Meeting – January 3, 2022:

Commissioner Hix made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on January 3, 2022. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. (Vote 4 – 0)

**E. CITIZEN INPUT:**

- **Babs McDonald, 1119 Hwy. 330**, distributed her business card and addressed the board as Executive Director of the Citizens for Sustainable Jackson County. She read an article from the year 2042 describing how critical decisions were made that affected residential growth and land development which resulted in keeping the County's rural and agricultural landscape for the past twenty years.
- **Timothy Barr, a current state representative and owner of a small construction company**, announced his candidacy for Congress.

**F. REPORTS:**

None

**G. RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND SPECIAL ITEMS:**

None

**H. CONSENT AGENDA:**

None

**I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**J. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Resolution to Receive Funding from Hazardous Waste Trust Fund: (Kevin Poe) Approve a resolution authorizing the Chairman to execute an agreement governing expenditures for state and local government costs and other related documents necessary to obtain funding reimbursement from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund in the amount of \$58,814.50**

Kevin Poe, County Manager, advised the county had previously submitted a request to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division for reimbursement from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund for costs spent investigating and cleaning of the old, closed landfill. The application was approved for reimbursement in the amount of \$58,814.50. To receive funding, the board was required to approve an agreement regarding the expenditures that were included in the application and approve the resolution.

Chairman Crow made the motion to approve the resolution to receive funding from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund in the amount of \$58,814.50. Commissioner Hardy

seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.  
(Vote 4 – 0)

**K. ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Crow declared the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

**WORK SESSION MEETING**

*This portion of the meeting is to facilitate a discussion on matters requiring a more in-depth review, explanation, and analysis. No formal action will be taken by the Board of Commissioners on any of the items listed below.*

**L. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Crow called the work session to order at 6:14 p.m.

**M. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**N. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 2) **Purchase of Two (2) Ambulances:** (Kevin Poe)  
**Authorize a contract with Emergency Vehicle Sales for the purchase of two (2) ambulances in the amount \$555,758 and amend the current budget to include the purchase of the second ambulance**

Kevin Poe, County Manager, reported the board approved the purchase of an ambulance in the FY 2022 Budget for the EMS Department. An Invitation to Bid was released; however, only one proposal was received from Emergency Vehicle Sales in the amount of \$277,879. Mr. Poe confirmed some of the CARES Act funding will be used to purchase the ambulance. He noted the manufacture confirmed delivery of the ambulance could take up to twelve months. Given this, Mr. Poe recommended purchasing a second unit and purchase it from funds from the CARES and ARPA money received from the State and Federal Governments. The price of both ambulances was \$555,758.

- 3) **Updated GDOT Speed Zone Ordinance:** (Kevin Poe)  
**Approve an update to the Speed Zone ordinance as required by Georgia Department of Transportation**

Kevin Poe, County Manager, said due to the opening of the new high school, staff reviewed the speed zones on Skelton Road and on New Kings Bridge Road,

particularly around the school. Georgia DOT authorized changing the speed limit on Skelton Road from 45 mph to 35 mph. They also authorized a school zone designation in front of the high school and 25 mph will be the speed limit on days school was in session. The speed on New Kings Bridge Road will be changed from 55 mph to 50 mph. Georgia DOT did not include a school zone designation on New Kings Bridge Road. The new ordinance included the proposed changes.

- 4) **FY22 Supplemental Paving List:** (Kevin Poe)  
**Approve the attached list of roads for paving in 2022.**

Kevin Poe, reminded members the board previously approved a list of roads to be paved using Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) funds. He presented a supplemental list of roads for paving utilizing General Fund and SPLOST funds to complete the additional paving. A total of 19.86 miles of already paved roads will be resurfaced and 10.85 miles of dirt roads will be paved with surface treatment (tar & gravel). Mr. Poe estimated there were approximately 70 miles of dirt road remaining in the county.

- 5) **Award Bid to Reroof Gordon Street Center:** (Kevin Poe)  
**Award the contract to reroof the Gordon Street Center to ACR Commercial Roofing in the amount of \$1,097,100**

Kevin Poe, County Manager, reminded members the board previously approved a sales agreement for the purchase of the remainder of the Gordon Street Center. He said as a part of the due diligence, the facility's roof was inspected. It was determined that the roof needed to be replaced. The project was put out to bid and three proposals were received. The low bidder was ACR Commercial Roofing, Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$1,097,100. Mr. Poe recommended to award the bid and move forward with the purchase of the facility.

O. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- 7) **There is a need for an Executive Session for land acquisition.**

Chairman Crow advised there was a need for an executive session for land acquisition. It was noted no action would be taken. After meeting in closed session for twenty minutes, the board reconvened in open session with no action to the report.

P. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Crow declared the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

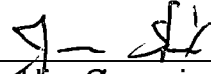
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Minutes Approved: Monday, February 21, 2022

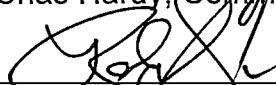
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Ralph Richardson, Jr., Commissioner District 3

  
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Marty Seagraves, Commissioner District 4

Attest:   
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Ericka Johnson Deputy Clerk