

Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
January 27, 2015

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners met on the above date in a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Historic Courthouse, Commission Chambers, with the following board members present:

Moses Gross, Chairman, Dist. 2	Kenneth E. Hickey, Vice-Chairman, Dist. 3
Merrill E. Baker, Jr., Dist. 1	Mark NeSmith, Dist. 4
Hershel P. Ansley, Dist. 5	Wiley E. Grady, Dist. 6
Phillip V. Brown, Dist. 7	J. Elaine Mays, Dist. 8

Staff present was Michael J. Stephenson, Malia Phillips-Lee, as county attorney sitting in for Bruce Warren, and Twink Monahan, County Clerk. Media present was Chris Hurst, WPAX.

Chairman Gross called the meeting to order.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Brown who gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to approve the minutes of the 01/13/2015 Board Meeting, open and executive sessions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mays. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Jeannine Haynes with Georgia Transmission. Ms. Haynes stated that the project for replacing old lines and a substation is on target. The substation clearing should begin at the end of March and construction in July. The surveys for the longer portion of the route are underway. Ms. Haynes will return when the substation construction begins to further update the board.

Mr. Stephenson stated that he met with the provider for the Prison's that they attend the Purchasing Committee meeting on February 2 to answer any questions the board might have concerning the Jail's contract. Transform Health has agreed to have a partial year contract for the Jail to align with the County's budget year.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to approve the 2015 contract with Transform Health for the Prison Inmate healthcare. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to approve the 2014 year-end budget amendment for the General Fund and the Emergency Services Fund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

2014 BUDGET AMENDMENT 14-12-1-EOY

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GENERAL FUND (100)

Account	Description	Original 2014 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
Expenses				
100-2185-51-1100	Salaries-Bd of Equalizers	9,600	12,100	2,500
100-2200-52-2200	Contracted R&M-DA	0	1,300	1,300
100-2300-52-1200	Professional-State Court	25,000	28,000	3,000
100-2800-52-2200	Contracted R&M-PD	2,500	3,500	1,000
100-3400-53-1300	Food-Prison	210,000	245,000	35,000
100-4900-53-1206	Energy-Shop	17,000	20,000	3,000
100-4900-53-1700	Other Supplies-Shop	32,000	41,000	9,000
100-4100-53-1176	Road Maint Materials-PW	225,000	170,200	-54,800
	Total			0

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

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EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND (273)

Account	Description	Original 2014 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
Expenses				
273-3600-53-1169	Vehicle Repair Mat.-EMS	40,000	43,000	3,000
273-3611-52-3700	Education & Training-GIS	3,000	0	-3,000
	Total			0

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Brown who made a motion to approve the Drug Education Fund distribution for 2013 as listed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner NeSmith. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

**Drug Education Fund
2014 Annual Distribution**

Balance of 1-1-14	\$40,826.66
2014 Revenues	<u>\$49,823.85</u>
Total 2013 funds available	\$90,650.51
Less October 2013 distribution	<u>\$ 30,000.00</u>
Funds available now for distribution	\$60,650.51
Recommended now for distribution	<u>\$ 40,000.00</u>

Thomas County Schools FTE 5,652 (67.0%)

Sheriff's Office DARE Distribution	\$ 26,800.00
Thomasville City Schools FTE	2,775 (33.0%)
TPD DARE Distribution	\$ 13,200.00

Note: Total Thomas County Sheriff's Office expenses are \$47,448.97
Total Thomasville Police Department expenses are \$58,664.00

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to ratify the diesel purchase from 1/23/2015 from Petroleum Products at \$1.6660 per gallon. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hickey. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross opened the meeting to citizens not listed on the agenda who which to address the board.

Al Bryan, Meigs, reported that AARP will begin tax preparation for the public at the main Library beginning February 4. Mr. Bryan also introduced Sidney 'Sid' Perry, the new city manager for Meigs.

Mr. Stephenson reported that the Board of Assessors accepted Don Long's resignation, effective 1/30/2015, and they appointed Daniel Surles as acting Chief Assessor.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Mays who made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Baker. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.



Moses L. Gross, Chairman

ATTEST:



M. Twink Monahan, County Clerk