

Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
March 10, 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 Bruce Warren, County Attorney, Twink Monahan, County Clerk and Toyna Allen, Board Secretary. Media present was Chris Hurst, WPAX and Patti Dozier, Times-Enterprise. Michael Stephenson was absent.

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 Mays who made a motion to approve the minutes of the 03/10/2015 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Mays who made a motion to approve the Authorizing Resolution to file an application with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation for a grant for public transportation assistance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR A GRANT FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 5311 OF THE FEDERAL TRANSIT LAWS UNDER CHAPTER 53 OF TITLE 49 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration and the Georgia Department of Transportation are authorized to make grant to non-urbanized areas for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the United States Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation in accord with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the Federal Transit Act, the applicant gives an assurance that it will

comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and under the United States Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Thomas County Board of Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as the "APPLICANT",

1. That the Thomas County Board of Commissioners hereinafter referred to as the "Official is authorized to execute and file an application on the behalf of the Applicant, a City/County government, with the Georgia Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of public transportation assistance pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act."
2. That the Official is authorized to execute and file such application and assurances or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That the Official is authorized to execute and file all other standard assurances or any other document required by the Georgia Department of Transportation or the U.S. Department of Transportation in connection with the application for public transportation assistance.
4. That the Official is authorized to furnish such additional information as the U.S. Department of Transportation or the Georgia Department of Transportation may require in connection with the application of the project.
5. That the Official is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of the Applicant with the Georgia Department of Transportation in connection with the application for public transportation assistance.
6. That the applicant while making application to or receiving grants from the Federal Transit Administration will comply with FTA Circular 9040.1G, FTA Certifications and Assurances for Federal Assistance 2015 as listed in Appendix A of this application and General Operating Guidelines as illustrated in Georgia State Management Plan and Administrative Guide for Rural Public Transportation Programs.
7. That the Applicant has or will have available in the General Fund the required non-federal funds to meet local share requirements.

There were no citizen comments.

Capt. Ron James reported that the License Plate Recognition software recently purchased was put into service on March 3. The first week checking licenses resulted in many violators and fines for expired licenses, no insurance and outstanding warrants amounting to about \$25,064. The cost of the equipment and software has now been covered.

Committee Reports

Commissioner NeSmith made a motion to approve the Purchasing Committee’s recommendation to purchase a 2016 International Terra Star Type 1 ambulance from Taylor Made, the low bidder for \$128,025. 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.

Qty	Description	Taylor Made	Custom Truck & Body	Peach State
1	International Type 1 Terra Star or Equivalent	2016 Taylor Made Type I Terra Star	2016 International Terra Star SFA Type I Excalibur 169 Series	2016 International Terra Star 4x2 183" WB-Diesel
Total Cost		\$128,025.00	\$135,644.00	\$168,412.00

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation to purchase specialty padding for one room at the jail for prisoner safety from Marathon Engineering Corporation, at \$19,600 less 9.25% discount for prepay net \$17,787. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grady. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to approve the Public Property Committee's recommendation to contract with Georgia Florida Burglar Alarm to upgrade the fire alarm systems at the Hancock Center for \$48,985 and contract for monitoring services. 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 recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to approve the Road Committee's recommendation to approve the 2015 Resurfacing Project list of 24.87 miles. 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.

Singletary Road	1.42 miles	US 84 to Stewart
Pummy Road	3.84 miles	SR 188 to Palmer
Griffin Road	2.61 miles	SR 202 to Pummy
Old Beeline Road	1.74 miles	Coolidge Rocky Ford to Rocky Ford
Lawhorne Road	3.38 miles	SR 122 to Dillon
Lower Boston Road	4.51 miles	US 19 to Parramore Fish Pond
Gatlin Creek Road	1.11 miles	SR 122 to Summerhill
Fredonia Road	.33 miles	US 19 to County Line
Hall Road	.74 miles	US 319 to North bypass
Parramore Fish Pond Road	3.38 miles	Lower Boston to Boston Monticello
County Line Road	1.81 miles	Between North bypass and US 19
24.87 miles		

Chairman Gross recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to approve the Road Committee's recommendation to assist with the City of Coolidge's resurfacing Mamie Street, .28 mi., project to be completed by 12/31/2015. 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.

- Public Works – Asphalt per ton to be reimbursed at \$15.25 per ton for hauling and installation.
- Equipment move in/out
 - Clip back shoulders
 - Set up and work traffic control
 - CRS2H tack and installing 325+- tons of 9.5 mm asphalt and compacting asphalt and temporary stripe tape

Coolidge – Responsible for direct purchase of Asphalt, striping and backing up shoulders.

Chairman Gross recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to approve the Road Committee's recommendation to proceed with the striping and installation of RPMs with Peek Pavement Marking.

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

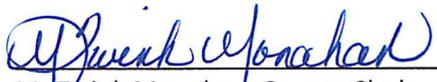
- a. Cairo Road (between North By-pass and W. Pinetree Blvd) \$ 5,500
- b. Woodruff Farm and County Farm Roads
(between County Farm and US 19 S) \$ 6,925
- 3. Lake Riverside Subdivision
(Double Centerline only on County Owned Streets) \$ 4,625

Chairman Gross recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to approve the Road Committee's recommendation to make temporary repair on existing storm drain between lot numbers 52 and 58 on White Blossom Trail. 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 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 Monahart, County Clerk