Minutes Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor 225 North Board Street June 11, 2024

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:

Wiley Grady, Chairman District 6

Rev. Jeremy G. Rich, District 1 Kenneth E. Hickey, District 3 Phillip V. Brown, District 7 Donnie L. Baggett, Vice-Chair District 5

Moses Gross, District 2
Mark NeSmith, District 4 (absent)
Zippy T. Vonier, District 8

Staff present was County Attorney Bruce Warren, Planning Director Ken Gay, Pubic Works Director Tony Bodiford, Project Superintendent Jay Knight, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler.

News/Media present: none

Chairman Grady called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Jeremy Rich gave the invocation.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Brown who made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2024 Board Meeting. Commissioner Rich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Rich who made a motion to approve the agenda for the June 11, 2024 Board Meeting. Commissioner Baggett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady made a recommendation to appoint Jean Sprague to the Thomas County Public Library Board. He stated that this position was previously held by Judy Ament. Ms. Sprague is well-qualified and introduced herself at the Purchasing Committee meeting last week. Commissioner Baggett made the motion to appoint Jean Sprague to the Thomas County Public Library Board. Commissioner Vonier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye. Ms. Sprague's 1st term is effective July 1, 2024 and expires June 30, 2027.

Reports – Chairman Grady recognized Planning Director Ken Gay who introduced rezoning application #24-6-1. Gordon D. Hardy, Managing Member of Centerville Partners, LLC, agent for the property owner, Elizabeth Powell Flowers, has filed an application for a zoning change. The subject property is located on South Pinetree Boulevard (Map 046, Parcel 119 consisting of 14.12 acres, more or less.) The request is to rezone the subject property from AG (Agricultural) to R-2 (Residential, Single Family) to allow for the development of a residential subdivision consisting of approximately 18 lots. In discussion, Mr. Gay confirmed that the subject property will have city utilities thereby allowing for .5 acre lots. It will also have access to Pinetree Boulevard. The rezoning application #24-6-1 will be presented at the Public Hearing held on June 25, 2024.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Rich who made a motion to ratify the purchase of diesel fuel made on May 8, 2024 from Petroleum Products for \$2.5934/per gal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to ratify the purchase of diesel fuel made on May 30, 2024 from Petroleum Products for \$2.5416/per gal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vonier. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to amend the purchase order for the audiovisual upgrade for Courtroom 2 at the Judicial Center to include a 5-year Service Agreement for \$16,783.70 with S&L Integrated. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to award the bid to Scruggs Concrete Co. for Ready Mix Portland Cement Concrete. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to award the bid to Willacoochee Industrial Fabrics for Woven Geotextiles. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to award the bid to Martin Marietta for Aggregate Rock. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vonier. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to award the bid to Delta Landscape for Hydroseeding Materials. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept the proposal from Newsome Civil Engineering LLC for the Colonial Square round-a-bout and sidewalks project for \$45,500. Commissioner Vonier seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Rich made a motion to accept the bid from Custom Truck & Body Works, Inc for an ambulance with center Mounted Power-Load Fastener System (Stryker) for \$291,034.00. Commissioner Baggett seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Grady and Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Vonier who announced that the next Emergency Services Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Baggett who announced that the next Public Property Committee meeting will be held Monday, July 1, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Rich who announced that the next Purchasing Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Hickey who announced that the next Public Works Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Grady announced that the next Finance Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Baggett who made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Rich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, Rich, and Vonier voting aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Wiley Grady, Chairman

ATTEST:

Celeste C. Tyler, County Clerk