

**PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019
WORK SESSION MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: David L. Carmichael, Chairman

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Pastor Wayne Strickland with Bethany Christian Church

PRESENT: David L. Carmichael, Chairman; Ron Davis, 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: The August 13, 2019 Public Hearing Minutes, the August 27, 2019, Work Session Minutes, and the August 27, 2019, Board Meeting Minutes, were available for review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Positively Paulding: The Census 2020 Campaign Kickoff was played for the Board and citizens.

Chairman Carmichael reminded citizens of the 911 Ceremony tomorrow at Mt. Tabor Park.

Frank Baker, County Administrator to announce the 2nd Annual Rides for Wishes Event. Mr. Baker stated this is part of the Make a Wish Georgia and 100 percent of the funds raised goes to children in Paulding waiting for a wish.

Chairman Carmichael announced the next Planning and Zoning meeting would be held on Thursday, September 19, 2019.

INVITED GUESTS: None

BID AWARDS:

SmartNet Maintenance Contract to Corus360 in the amount of \$50,444.88:

Discussed action to award the SmartNet Maintenance Contract to Corus360 in the amount of \$50,444.88. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director, stated this is for some switches and hardware in the Information Technology Department. The contract will continue to be reduced and replaced by other contracts.

ITS Expansion Project, Phase 1 & Phase 2, to the lowest, responsive bidder, Brooks, Berry, Haynie & Associates, in the amount of \$3,322,061.63:

Discussed action to award the ITS Expansion Project, Phase 1 & Phase 2, to the lowest, responsive bidder, Brooks, Berry, Haynie & Associates, in the amount of \$3,322,061.63. Post 1,2,3, & 4. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director, stated they received three bids. George Jones, Transportation Director stated the DOT Department has been working in the planning stage for 10 years. The purpose is to improve traffic and reduce delays by using technology. GMAC Grants are very competitive. Paulding County was approved for this grant. Traffic signals are basically computers that communicate with traffic control centers. With this technology, staff will be able to remotely access through computers and phones. He further stated that Cobb County would allow Paulding to tie into their fiber to connect to the Georgia Department of Transportation. CMAC will be responsible for 80% of the price and Paulding County will be responsible for 20%; he stated that Paulding DOT has worked with this company before. Chairman Carmichael asked if there would be a Phase 3. Mr. Jones stated eventually, there might be a third Phase. Commissioner Brian Stover asked what the operational cost would be. Mr. Jones stated the County is looking at 5% per year, but the fiber will last a long time. Scott Greene, Operations Director recognized the Transportation Department Staff for their hard work.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Chairman Carmichael read one (1) consent agenda item:

1. Appoint Mr. Tom Morris to the Industrial Building Authority to fill the unexpired term of Robert Crouse, with a term ending December 31, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Adopt the new IGA between the Paulding County Airport Authority and Paulding County, Georgia. Additionally, authorize the Chairman to sign and execute said IGA on behalf of the Board of Commissioners:

Discussed action to adopt the new IGA between the Paulding County Airport Authority and Paulding County, Georgia. Additionally, authorize the Chairman to sign and execute said IGA on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Frank Baker, County Administrator, stated staff has looked at this for several months and in several different ways. It was approached as a co-sponsor aspect and what could we do to help fund the airport. This IGA is for two years and based on the airports budget. He further stated that this funding is for operational needs (day to day) but does have an area for legal fees. As true co-sponsors, we want to be able to use some county departments to help with some projects to save money but all request for County help will come through and vetted by the County Director of Operations. Commissioner Ron Davis stated that the Commissioners are tasked with doing what is right for the County. He further stated that he wished we could have the airport under the County as a department but that is not feasible at this time. With this IGA, it provides for a schedule of payments and will stop request outside of the payments. He stated this helps protect the County be a little more because requests can be vetted. This also leads to better transparency; everything done will be in public, and once the two years are up it will be revised. Commissioner Sandy Kaecher stated that there has been a lot of time spent reviewing and revising to make sure, we got it right. Commissioner Chuck Hart stated he appreciated Commissioner Davis' comments.

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Ron Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sandy Kaecher; motion carried unanimously.