**AGENDA**

**GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY, GEORGIA**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**April 9, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER 6:30 PM

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Time allocated 10-minute’s total)

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS **Pages 2-8** **APPROVED** MONTH CHECK REGISTERS

APPROVAL OF BILLS **Pages 9-22 APPROVED**

MINUTES Regular Meeting March 12, 2019 **Pages 23-26 APPROVED**

Called Meeting minutes March 25, 2019 **Pages 27-29 APPROVED**

MONTHLY REPORTS MANAGER’S REPORT

EMS

EMA DIRECTOR

FIRE

FAMILY CONNECTIONS **Pages 30-32**

OLD BUSINESS

\*UPDATE\*

\*ACTION ITEM\*

NEW BUSINESS

\*ACTION ITEM\* Ordinance 02-2019 Conditional Use permit for Manufactured Homes 1st reading

**APPROVED**

\*ACTION ITEM\* Ordinance 03-2019 Hunting Camp 1st reading **APPROVED**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

APPEARANCES

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**GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**March 12, 2019**

**6:30 P.M.**

**CALLED TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 6:28 p.m. with prayer followed by the pledge. Members present were Commissioners: Lewis, Blackmon, Hayes, Kinsey and Bussey. County Attorney Tracy Cary. County Manager Jason Weeks, County Clerk Carolyn Wilson, and Financial Officer Teri Odom.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS- Motion made by Bussey to accept the agenda as presented. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** Several citizens came out to address their concerns about the Emergency Services Fee that will be added to everyone’s tax bill. The Commission listened to all concerns and questions. The Commissioners answered all questions and addressed each concern with each citizen. Probate Judge Self gave a detailed report of the revenue collected by his office and stated the dates that he will be gone for training.

**PREVIOUS MONTH CHECK REGISTER**

**Motion made by Kinsey to approve previous month check register. Second by Bussey.** Voting Yes- Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, and Lewis. Voting No-Blackmon

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Motion made by Bussey to approve the bills as presented. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes –Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, and Lewis. Voting No-Blackmon

**MINUTES**

February 12, 2019 Regular meeting minutes -**Motion made by Blackmon to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting. Second by Hayes.** Voting Yes- Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

Weeks reported there were 25 calls for the month of February: 13 transports and 12 refusals.

Weeks stated that Fire Chief Pate was not able to attend the meeting but he asked Weeks to give an update for him. The fire dept. has been preforming hose test on all the trucks for the past few weeks and their annual pump test is scheduled for next week. Pate has applied for a $25,000.00 dollar grant for extrication equipment to which he has not received an approval on yet and is in the process of writing another $25,000.00 grant for general equipment.

**KAIGLER ROAD PROJECT**- Weeks stated that once the paving company is finished with Winding Way they are going to start on widening Kaigler Rd and doing the sidewalks. The dirt road portion is still on hold until it dries out.

**VERIZON WIRELESS TOWER-** Weeks spoke with Providence Real Estate Company that reached out to us on behalf of Verizon about the tower to be placed behind the old dental office. They are working on a lease agreement and Weeks will present that to the Commission as soon as he receives it.

**CDBG DRAINAGE PROJECT 15p-x-118-3-5757 –** Weeks reported that the appraisals are completed for this project. County Attorney Tracy Cary has those appraisals. There is one more Resolution for condemnation that the Commission will vote on and we will be able to start on this project.

**Winding Way Blvd.** This project has begun. The paving company had a few things to do to the road and remove some trees before the paving can begin. They are supposed to start paving on Thursday.

**LAND DONATION-** Weeks informed the Commission board about a phone call he received from a landowner that wants to donate a lot that he owns to the County for educational purposes. Weeks suggested that since the landowner wants the lot to be used for educational use that the landowner donate the lot to the Board of Education. Chairman Lewis suggested that we put this on the agenda for the next work session to find out more details.

**TRUCK DECALS**- Started putting the new truck decals on the road dept. vehicles. The vehicles will be numbered with new decals.

**LED SIGN-** Weeks stated that he spoke with Shane Jeter from Fast Signs about the status of our LED sign. Mr. Jeter contacted the company that makes the sign and are in the process of deciding if they need to just replace the sign because of all the issues that we have had. Chairman Lewis asked Weeks to please let the company know that we are giving them seven days.

**LOWER LUMPKIN BRIDGE PROJECT-** It has been subbed out to Southern Concrete. Southern Concrete is currently building a bridge in another County. The contract says that the bridge has to be finished by July and we are the next bridge to be built.

**US HWY 82 PROJECT-** Weeks stated that this is a 10-year project. DOT is out surveying right now. Paving will not start until **2029.**

**FAMILY CONNECTIONS-** Chairman Lewis stated that Sara Lee provided an update for the packet. Lewis went on to say that, the Commission board is very pleased with the work, that Sara Lee is doing and that the School Board is as well.

**OLD BUSINESS-**

**R4-2019 CONDEMNATION-CDBG WILLIE RUTH LAWSON- Motion made by Blackmon to approve the resolution for the condemnation of the Willie Ruth Lawson estate. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**NEW BUSINESS-**

**R2-2019 SAFETY COORDINATOR RESOLUTION- Motion made by Bussey to approve the resolution for safety coordinator. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**R3-2019 VOLUNTEERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS WORKERS’ COMP- Motion made by Blackmon to approve the resolution for volunteers and elected officials workers’ compensation. Second by Bussey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**Appointment to the Regional 7 EMS Council\_-** This was tabled until the work session.

**R5-2019 Bank account Sally A. Moore Scholarship fund-** This was tabled until the work session.

Chairman Lewis asked the commission to schedule a work session. Work session set for March 25, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**APPEARANCES**

**MEETING ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn 8:00 p.m.

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Jim Hayes, Commissioner Attest: Jason Weeks, County Manager

**GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**CALLED MEETING MINUTES**

**MARCH 25, 2019**

**2:00 P.M.**

**CALLED TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. with prayer followed by the pledge. Members present were Commissioners: Lewis, Blackmon, Hayes, and Kinsey. County Manager Jason Weeks, Financial Officer Teri Odom, and County Clerk Carolyn Wilson. Mrs. Lisa Forte with DBHDD Region Six, Bill Twomey and Dave Wills with ACCG.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS- Motion made by Kinsey to amend the agenda to add the Library. Second by Hayes.** Voting Yes- Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**DBHDD REGION SIX-** Mrs. Lisa Forte with Ga. Dept. of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities gave a brief report on what they offer. She also went on to say that, we have no representative for Georgetown-Quitman County. Mrs. Forte also spoke about doing a survey that is being hosted by the DBHDD regional advisory council. She explained that we need at least 25 surveys completed in order for Georgetown-Quitman County to get funds that will help our citizens with mental illnesses, addictive diseases, and intellectual/developmental disabilities.

**OCCUPATIONAL TAX**-Weeks explained to the Commissioners the Occupational Tax license for deer camps. Weeks wanted to know if this was something that the board would consider taking out of the ordinance. We only have two deer camps that are currently buying the Occupational Tax license. After a brief discussion, the board decided they would work on removing the Occupational Tax for deer camps from the ordinance. Chairman Lewis stated that they would work on this at the April meeting.

**RESOLUTION R05-2019 SALLY A. MOORE SCHOLARSHIP BANK ACCOUNT-Motion made by Kinsey to open the bank account for the scholarship funds. Second by Hayes**. Voting Yes-Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**REGIONAL 7 EMS COUNCIL- Motion made by Blackmon to appoint Mrs. Norma Hayes to the Regional 7 EMS Council. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Kinsey, Blackmon, and Lewis. (Hayes abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest of it being his wife)

**BUDGET AMENDMENT 2019-02 EXHIBIT A-** Financial Officer Odom explained this budget amendment was for reimbursement for damaged property with the Cat backhoe and wrecked patrol car. **Motion made by Kinsey to approve budget amendment 2019-02 exhibit A. Second by Hayes.** Voting Yes-Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**COPIERS-** Weeks explained that we currently do not pay anything for the copiers that Mr. Blackmon has donated to the County to use. Weeks explained that Mr. Blackmon had asked that each office start paying a monthly maintenance fee. The money would go to the Economic Development Authority account. Will need to consider this for the 2020 budget.

**LAND DONATION-** Weeks explained to the board that a property owner in Winding Way wants to donate their ½ acre of property to the County because they have no interest in the property anymore. The property owner wants the land to be used to study horticulture and botany or some use like that. Weeks suggested that we go to the property owner with an offer that the property would be used for 5 years under their conditions but after that, the County would be able to do as they pleased with the property. **Motion made by Blackmon to make an offer to the property owner with the following conditions that they property would be used for 5 years as they requested and then after the 5 years the County could do as they so pleased to do with the property. Second by Hayes.** Voting Yes- Kinsey, Hayes, Blackmon, and Lewis.

**LIBRARY-** Chairman Lewis updated everyone on the funds for the Library. He explained that we needed a million dollars and those funds are appropriated from the House and Senate. Gerald Greene got a half million from the House. Senator Sims has not been able to get the half million from the senate. Chairman Lewis stated he would keep everyone updated.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION –**

**APPEARANCES\_-** Mr. Bill Twomey and Mr. Dave Wills from ACCG came to help answer any questions or concerns that the Commission Board has about constitutional officers or their offices. Chairman Lewis explained that there is an employee that is working in an office that has several different titles. The question or concern is that this person is being paid double for the same work hours. There was a lengthy discussion and several questions asked and answered. Vice Chairman Blackmon explained that the other issue to be discussed is constitutional officers’ budgets were cut across the board. We have 2 offices that are tracking under budget and we have 2 that are over budget. Vice Chairman Blackmon stated that one of the ways that we can control the spending is by not issuing Purchase Orders. Mr. Wills gave some suggestions on both of these topics and the Commissioners will begin implementing some of these suggestions.

Mr. Wills added that we would be receiving a cash return dividend for $7,143.00 because we are a member of the Workers Compensation insurance program with ACCG and these are surplus funds.

**MEETING ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn at 4:30 P.M.

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Jim Hayes, Commissioner Attest: Jason Weeks, County Manager