

Bryan County Board of Commissioners – November 14, 2023

The regular meeting of the Bryan County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, in Pembroke, at the J. Dixie Harn Center. The following members were present: Chairman Carter Infinger, Commissioner Dallas Daniel, Commissioner Noah Covington, Commissioner Wade Price, Commissioner Patrick Kisgen and Commissioner Gene Wallace. Also present: County Administrator Ben Taylor, Assistant County Administrator Kathryn Downs, County Attorney Aaron Kappler and County Clerk Lori Tyson.

Chairman Infinger called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Commissioner Kisgen gave the invocation, and everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen to approve the proposed agenda, with the amendment of moving Public Comments up on the agenda before the special presentation. Commissioner Wallace seconded this motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Dallas Daniel to approve the minutes of the October 2023 meetings as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

The following **Public Comments** were made:

***Jeff Jones**, spoke on election integrity.

***Pamela Van Alstein**, spoke on election integrity.

***Christy Hayes**, spoke on election integrity.

***Thomas Seaman**, spoke election integrity.

***Lisa Freeman**, spoke election integrity.

***Juanita Baker**, spoke on traffic issues at the Groover Hill Community, stemming from the Hyundai construction.

A special check presentation was made by **Jennifer Fordham** with DCA, presenting the county with a check for One Million Dollars, awarded for the CDBG Grant, benefiting the Pembroke Senior Citizen Center.

A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Noah Covington to close the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

Amanda Clement, and Sara Farr-Newman met with the Commissioners on the following **Public Hearing** Items.

* Chesterfield, LLC – Second Reading of Ordinance to Amend Zoning Conditions Adopted by Ordinance 2021-2 for the “Alcova/Blitchton” Tract - Parcel Numbers 029023, 03302801, and 02902301

* Pulte Home Company – Sketch Plat for 690 lot subdivision located in the Waterways Township. Parcel number 075-001

* Linda Allen – Conditional Use Permit for a home bakery. 15 Long Creek Lane. Parcel number 068-142

* Buckhead Lakes Developers, LLC – Sketch Plat for 73 lot subdivision located in the Wexford Subdivision. Parcel number 062-060

A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Noah Covington to close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Chesterfield, LLC – Second Reading of Ordinance to Amend Zoning Conditions Adopted by Ordinance 2021-2 for the “Alcova/Blitchton” Tract - Parcel Numbers 029023, 03302801, and 02902301** – The Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 2021-2 on January 12, 2021, which rezoned parcels 029-023, 033-028-01, and 029-023-01 (“Blitchton Timberlands Tract”) to the “I-2” General Industrial Zoning District subject to certain conditions. The property owner is now requesting to amend the zoning conditions adopted as a part of Ordinance No. 2021-2, by revising Condition Number Two under “General Conditions Related to Transportation” in order to allow access to Eldora Road. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to approve the amendment of Ordinance No. 2021-2 by revising Condition Number Two under "General Conditions Related to Transportation" to read as follows:

Direct access to the development from Eldora Road shall be permitted subject to the approval by the Board of Commissioners of an amended Master Development Plan. Prior to the Amended Master Plan being submitted to the County for review and approval, a Traffic Impact Assessment shall be submitted to the Engineering Department for review and approval. A revised Transportation Improvement Agreement, addressing Eldora Road improvements, shall be required prior to any encroachment permit being issued for Eldora Road.

Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Pulte Home Company – Sketch Plat for 690 lot subdivision located in the Waterways Township. Parcel number 075-001** - Hussey Gay Bell Engineering, representing Pulte Home Company, requesting preliminary plat approval for lots located within the Waterways PD. The plat is for 690 single-family lots with open/common space on a 351.25-acre portion of property. The development is located on parcels 32, 34, 35, 39, 48, 49, and 53 of the Waterways PD. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve the sketch plat for Waterways, with the following conditions: 1. Pulte shall enter into a water and sewer agreement with Bryan County, on a form and in substance reasonably agreeable to Pulte and Bryan County, which shall require the payment of tap fees, capital recovery fees/costs, and other charges as established by Bryan County. 2. Final plat approval shall be phased by Pulte. Lots may transition from phase to phase, provided no phase shall be approved in excess of 125 lots, except for 4A/5A which is allowed 126, at a single time. Unallocated lots may be transferred to subsequent phases. 3. No CO shall be issued for any lots or improvements in excess of the schedule provided without review and written approval from Bryan County. 4. Pulte shall comply with all other provisions of the Bryan County Code, except as may be set forth in issued permits and/or development agreements between Bryan County and Pulte. 5. Until Savannah Land Holding and the County agree to a plan for effluent disposal, the maximum number of units Pulte may construct and receive a certificate of occupancy for is 150 units. If such a plan has not been agreed to, Pulte may pay the additional per unit effluent disposal cost, as established by the County, for each building permit requested after the 150th building permit is issued. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Linda Allen – Conditional Use Permit for a home bakery. 15 Long Creek Lane. Parcel number 068-142** - Linda Allen is requesting a conditional use permit in order to operate a Home Bakery at 15 Long Creek Lane, located in the Long Creek Neighborhood of Waterways. The bakery will be pre-order and delivery only. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Dallas Daniel to approve the conditional use permit for 15 Long Creek Lane, Parcel 068-142, for a home bakery. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Buckhead Lakes Developers, LLC – Sketch Plat for 73 lot subdivision located in the Wexford Subdivision. Parcel number 062-060** - Coleman Company, LLC, representing Buckhead Lakes Developers, LLC, requesting preliminary plat approval for lots located in Phase 3 of the Wexford PD. The plat is for 73 single-family lots with open/common space. This is the final phase of the Wexford Development. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Dallas Daniel to approve the sketch plat for Wexford Subdivision, with the condition that the leisure path construction and layout plans are provided and approved, prior to the approval of construction plans for Phase 3A. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

Audra Miller met with the Commissioners on the following **Non-Public Hearing** Items.

* **Adoption of the 2022 Capital Improvement Element Annual Report** – Bryan County (“County”) adopted a Capital Improvement Element (“CIE”) to the Bryan County 2018 Comprehensive Plan Update (“Comp Plan”) January 8, 2019, and amended the CIE March 13, 2019 (officially adopted May 9, 2019). A second amendment to the CIE was adopted October 13, 2020. The CIE addresses transportation-related capital improvements and includes, as part of the CIE, the Impact Fee Analysis Report for the Unincorporated South Bryan County Transportation Impact Fee District. Per state law regarding CIEs and Impact Fees, the County is required to prepare an annual update and submit the update to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (“DCA”). The DCA approved the Annual Update and Audited Annual Updates for FY 2019-2022 on October 11, 2023. The County is required to formally adopt the Annual Update, and upon doing so, the County will maintain its qualified local government status. Staff is presenting the formal resolution adopting the Annual Update. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve a Resolution Adopting the Annual Update of the Capital Improvement Element and FY 2019-2022 Audited Annual Updates, as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

Ben Taylor, County Administrator, met with the board on the following issues:

* **Library Board Appointment** – There is a vacancy to be filled on the Bryan County Library Board, with Kate Howard seeking appointment. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to appoint Kate Howard to the Bryan County Library Board. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **2024 LMIG Project List** – Each year the Georgia Department of Transportation provides grant funding for local governments through the Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program (LMIG) for road related construction projects. As per the attached letter for 2024, Bryan County was awarded \$548,449.05. GDOT requires a local match of 30%, which equates to \$164,534.72. Additional funding has been allocated through TSPLOST funds bringing the total to \$1,175,000 for the 2024 Bryan County Road Program. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Wade Price to authorize the Chairman to execute the 2024 GDOT LMIG package for submittal to GDOT for their approval. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** HMGMA Water, Wastewater, and Reclaimed Water Service Agreement – Revisions** – As part of the final negotiation process with HMGMA, the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) has agreed to provide for a 2-year deferment on both principal and interest payments on Bryan County’s current \$60,000,000 loan application. The deferment allows for an adjustment on the minimum monthly water usage by HMGMA enumerated in the previously approved Agreement. Due to the deferment, the lower minimum usage requirements still allow the County to fund the debt associated with the installing of the infrastructure necessary to meet requirements for the Hyundai project. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$343,800,000 with a projected \$246,000,000 of the funding coming from the state SLFRF-Drinking Water projects to Support Increased Population grant funds. Along with an existing GEFA loan, and contributions from Bulloch and SEDA, the \$60,000,000 GEFA loan will help fund the remaining balance of the project costs. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Noah Covington authorizing the Chairman to execute the revised Water, Wastewater, and Reclaimed Water Service Agreement with HMGMA. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** URA and Carrington Town Center Senior Center Loan Consideration** - In May of last year Bryan County agreed to arrange to provide funds in support of the development of Carrington Town Center, an affordable age-restricted (55+) multi-family development to be located in Richmond Hill. This commitment of funds led to an award of affordable housing tax credits by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). The project includes an approximately 8,300 square foot senior center for South Bryan County. The County Attorney and Staff have work diligently to provide the county with the best terms and conditions available under the regulations of the tax credits and a primary lender. The new senior center will have a lease term of 15 years with no rent payments. The lease may subsequently be renewed for three additional 5-year terms at a favorable lease rate. The project will pay for buildout and the county is responsible for furniture, fixtures and equipment. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve an IGA with the Urban Redevelopment Agency of Bryan County and authorize the Chairman to execute said IGA, on behalf of the Bryan County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

A second motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace authorizing the Vice-Chairman of the Urban Redevelopment Agency of Bryan County, to Execute the IGA on behalf of the Agency, and for all related purposes. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** CBDG Funding for Pembroke Senior Center Consideration** – In August of 2023 Bryan County was notified by DCA (Department of Community Affairs) that its 2023 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) request of \$1,000,000 to aid in the construction of a new senior center in North Bryan County was approved and funded. Bryan County has committed matching funds of \$1,219,722. DCA has provided the grant award package to the county staff. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Dallas Daniel authorizing the Chairman and staff to execute all necessary documents to accept the CDBG grant funding and complete the General and Special Conditions as outlined in the grant materials. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Olive Branch Road Stormwater Improvements Bid Award** – On Tuesday September 12, 2023, County staff advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for stormwater improvements along Olive Branch Road in North Bryan County. The Olive Branch Road project consist of replacing failing infrastructure that crosses under Olive Branch Road. Following a drainage Study by Thomas and Hutton, which takes in to account existing impervious coverage as well as future growth, it is recommended that 60” pipes be installed. On October 17, 2023, two bids were received with the lowest bid coming from B&D Clearing Inc. in the amount of \$ 321,739.45. However, after working with the contractor on items that can be self-

performed it is being recommended that a contract be awarded to B&D Clearing in the amount of \$267,150.55. This project was included in the approved 2023 budget. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Gene Wallace authorizing staff to award a contract to B&D Clearing Inc., in the amount of \$267,150.00. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0.

*** MOU with Atlantic Judicial Circuit's Juvenile Courts for Staff Attorney** - Due to the increased amount of juvenile cases in the Atlantic District, the new District Attorney and his staff have requested the Atlantic Judicial Circuit Juvenile Courts petition for a law clerk to provide additional support to the Juvenile Court judges. This law clerk position would be shared between the judges presiding in Liberty, Bryan, Tattnall, Long, McIntosh and Evans counties. Liberty County will act as the fiduciary agent for the position. Total cost for the position is estimated at \$92,372.82 to include salary, FICA, Workers Comp, Retirement, Health insurance and ADP charges. The position cost shall be split between the counties using percentages based on the 2020 census data. Bryan County's share of the cost for the law clerk position would be 26% (or \$24,016.93 for the first year). A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Dallas Daniel authorizing the Chairman to enter a Memorandum of Understanding between the counties of the Atlantic Judicial Circuits Juvenile Courts for the purpose of funding a law clerk position. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Ambulance Purchase Contract Award** - Staff sent out an RFP for (1) Type 1 ambulance remount or demo unit in September. The RFP requested the bid to include the following equipment with the ambulance: Lucas device, Stryker power load system (with cot) and a Zoll defibrillator. Bids were received and opened on October 19. We had a total of 3 vendors respond to the RFP. 2 bids for demos and 1 bid for a remount. Bids were evaluated and scored based on 1) design, performance, equipment, & appearance (25 pts) 2) delivery date (25 pts) and 3) fees for services (50 pts). First Class Emergency Vehicles had the highest score with a 96 out of 100 points for a demo unit with an estimated delivery date of 2nd Qtr 2024. Total price of the winning bid for the ambulance and equipment was \$329,747. The ambulance cost is \$220,324 and equipment cost of \$109,423. After evaluation, it was determined the equipment could be purchased through our existing vendors at a lower cost, therefore staff recommends purchase of the ambulance only from First Class Emergency Vehicles at a cost of \$220,324. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Wade Price to approve staff to award a contract to First Class Emergency Vehicles in the amount of \$220,324.00 for a Class 1 Ambulance demo. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** T&H Task Order #99- Mill Creek Church Road, Phase III** - Thomas and Hutton has recently completed Phase II (surveying & preliminary design) of the paving plan for Mill Creek Church Road. Once completed, staff along with engineers from Thomas and Hutton met with the residents along Mill Creek Church Road to discuss the scope and timeline of this proposed project. Staff has asked T&H to provide a proposal for Phase III of the paving plan for Mill Creek Church Road. A motion was made by Wade Price and seconded by Noah Covington authorizing the Chairman to execute Task Order #99, in the amount of \$176,400.00 with Thomas and Hutton, for Phase III of the Mill Creek Church Road paving project. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** CORE MPO – Resolution** - The Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) is the regional transportation planning agency for the Savannah/Chatham urbanized area. Per federal law, after each census, an MPO must re-evaluate the MPO's Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary. The MPA identifies the cities and counties that are included in an MPO based on population (urbanized area). The County has been notified by the CORE MPO that it is amending the MPA boundary to include all of

Bryan County in the MPA boundary. If the CORE MPO is approved by the MPO Board and approved by the governor, the County's transportation planning projects requiring state or federal dollars would be included in the CORE MPO planning process instead of the County working directly with GDOT. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to approve a Resolution Objecting to the Proposed Amendments to the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization's Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Alcohol Ordinance – Resolution** - The Board of Commissioners approved a Resolution (2023-42) on July 11, 2023, temporarily suspending the requirement for criminal background checks and payment of required fees for individuals applying for alcohol sales permits. This temporary suspension expired on November 8, 2023. The current resolution would extend the suspension for an additional 120 days to allow staff to prepare ordinance revisions for review and adoption by the Board of Commissioners by March of 2024. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve a Resolution Extending the Temporary Suspension of the Criminal Record Search Requirements for Alcohol Sales Permits. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Henderson Park, Phase II Bid Award** - On May 25, 2023, Bryan County advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Henderson Park Phase II project which includes two 200' lighted and fenced ballfields and a 1,298 square foot 1-story concession stand/restroom facility. Only one bid was received for \$3,454M which exceeded the estimated costs of \$2.7M to \$3M. The team decided to re-bid the project to include several alternatives to potentially be self-performed. An RFP was advertised on September 15, 2023. On October 5, 2023, a pre-bid meeting was held and eight contractors attended the meeting or later requested the documents from Goodwyn Mills Cawood (GMC), the architect on the project. The bid opening was held on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 with only one bid being received. The bid was from C. Merrill Construction, LLC of Statesboro for \$3,165,000.00. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve staff to award a contract to C. Merrill Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$3,165,000.00. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Resolution authorizing county attorney to settle and compromise *Bryan County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia v. Liberty Commercial Rentals LLC, et al.* Civil Action No.: SUV2023000332** - The County proceeded with Condemning the Property for the Bryan County Belfast Keller Road School Access ROW project for the purposes of constructing and maintaining public roads which will provide suitable, sustainable, and reliable access on, to, and from Belfast Keller Road for the benefit and use of the public at large. This item for consideration is to allow the County Attorney to settle the Condemnation Proceeding. Liberty Commercial Rentals, LLC has agreed to donate the right of way and in exchange for coordination on an agreed upon location for a curb cut. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve a Resolution authorizing the County Attorney to settle and compromise the Condemnation Proceeding with Liberty Commercial Rentals LLC, et al., Civil Action No.: SUV2023000332, for the purposes of facilitating the Bryan County Belfast Keller Road School Access ROW project and the dismissal of the civil action. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

* **Resolution authorizing county attorney to settle and compromise *Bryan County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia v. IHB Holdings Limited Partnership, et al.* Civil Action No.: SPCV23-00655-ST** - The County proceeded with Condemning the Property for the I-16 Regional Sewer Improvements Project for the purposes of building and maintaining sewer and water improvements for the benefit and use of the public at large. This item for consideration is to allow the County Attorney to settle the Condemnation Proceeding, in exchange for the required property interests and an agreement for right of entry and temporary access rights throughout the property. A motion was made by Noah

Covington and seconded by Patrick Kisgen to approve a Resolution authorizing the County Attorney to settle and compromise the Condemnation Proceeding with IHB Holdings Limited Partnership, et al., Civil Action No.: SPCV23-00655-ST, for the purposes of facilitating the I-16 Regional Sewer Improvements Project and the dismissal of the civil action. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Resolution authoring county attorney to acquire Rights of Entry and other property interests for the purpose of access for construction of the I-16 regional sewer improvements** - The County proceeded with Condemning the IHB Holdings Limited Partnership property ("IHB Property"). For access to and from the IHB Property, Bryan County needs temporary access to the existing dirt road adjacent to the IHB Property. The I-16 Regional Sewer Improvements Project is for the purposes of building and maintaining sewer and improvements for the benefit and use of the public at large. This item for consideration is to allow the County Attorney to provide and negotiate with the individual property owners, in exchange for an agreement for right of entry and temporary access rights on existing dirt roads. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Dallas Daniel to approve a Resolution authorizing the County Attorney to acquire rights of entry and other property interests for the purpose of access for construction of the I-16 Regional Sewer Improvements Project. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Change Order #4 to Legacy Water Group, LLC. for the I-16 Regional Water and Sewer Improvements Project** - Justification Summary: Due to the proposed Georgia Department of Transportation proposed interchange project, the existing 18" sanitary sewer forcemain needs to be relocated. The scope of work at this time is to add fittings and valves to accommodate the future relocation. In-line isolation valves will also be added so that the existing forcemain can be abandoned. The relocation of the forcemain will be performed as part of the GDOT interchange project. The change order form is attached. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to approve Change Order #4 allowing the installation of (2) connection points and associated valves, in the amount of \$233,600. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Change Order #1 to Landmark Structures, I, LLC for the BCMS 2 MG Elevated Storage Tank and 1,800 GPM Well** - Justification Summary: Under the subject contract, Addendum No. 3, dated November 23, 2022, was issued to state that the Owner (Bryan County Board of Commissioners) was exempt from both State and Local Taxes. Therefore, the bid received on November 30, 2023, and subsequently accepted in the amount of \$13,236,000.00 was exclusive of State and Local Taxes. In August 2023, when consulting with the Department of Revenue, it was determined that Contractor supplies purchased for public works projects are not eligible to be exempt from taxes. Furthermore, on January 27, 2023, the Contractor was notified that their subcontractor, Southern Civil, LLC, could provide a credit for a reduction of piping. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Noah Covington to approve Change Order No. 1, allowing for the payment of taxes for the materials and supplies and accept the credit for the reduction in site piping for an overall increase in contract price in the amount of \$443,584.00. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Bryan – Bulloch Regional Water Transmission Main Phase II – Award Authorization** - In conjunction with the State of Georgia, Bryan County is committed to the design, permitting, and construction of off-site water improvements to serve North Bryan County. Bryan County engaged Thomas & Hutton (T&H) Engineering to design and permit the Bryan-Bulloch County Water Transmission Main – Phase II. T&H prepared contract bid documents and associated plans for the construction of the Bryan-Bulloch County Water Transmission Main – Phase II and upon approval of the documents the project was subsequently advertised for construction bids. Bids were received for the project on November 6, 2023, and are currently being evaluated by T&H. Four (4) bids were received: Legacy Water Group, LLC, Ruby-

Collins, Inc., McLendon Enterprises, Inc., and Astra Group, LLC. T&H has prepared the attached letter of recommendation. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to award the Bryan-Bulloch Water Transmission Main – Phase II to Legacy Water Group, LLC, in the amount of \$25,721,849.00 and authorize staff to execute the necessary contract documents to initiate the project. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** Authorization to proceed with Belfour Hendrix Gym Contract Upon Insurance Approval** - On April 5, 2022, a devastating F4 tornado hit Bryan County. Since that time, the County has been working with Belfor Property Restoration and ACCG Insurance to rebuild the County's facilities. The Hendrix Park gymnasium was completely destroyed during the tornado. Belfor has received all of the bids necessary to rebuild the gymnasium and compiled a preliminary estimate to be approved by Bryan County's insurer. In order to prevent any delays with the rebuilding of the gym, staff request the ability to authorize Belfor to proceed once the contract is approved by insurance. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to approve an Emergency Resolution to allow staff to sign the contract with Belfor Property Restoration not to exceed \$6,142,085.80, for the rebuilding of the Hendrix Park Gymnasium, upon receipt of insurance approval. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

*** CO #1 Field Turf USA, Inc. Award of 2 Turf Field Replacements – DeVaul Henderson Park** - The two existing turf football fields located at DeVaul Henderson Park were opened for recreational activities on March 7, 2009. After over fourteen years of continued use these field are well into the replacement timeframe of 10-15 year and have since become a serious safety concern. At the regularly scheduled August meeting, the Commission awarded a contract to Field Turf USA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,392,835. The turf is in the process of being installed. However, a change order is necessary to ensure proper drainage of the turf to avoid future maintenance issues. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Patrick Kisgen to approve Change Order #1 for the contract with Field Turf USA, Inc., in the amount of \$292,842. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to go into **Executive Session** for purposes of litigation at 6:16 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:39 p.m. the Commissioners returned to the open meeting.

A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Noah Covington to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 5:0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.