

Bryan County Board of Commissioners – February 27, 2024, Special Called Meeting

A Special Called Meeting of the Bryan County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 27, 2024, in Richmond Hill, at the South Bryan County Administration Building. The following members were present: Chairman Carter Infinger, Commissioner Patrick Kisgen, Commissioner Noah Covington, Commissioner Wade Price and Commissioner Gene Wallace. Also present: County Administrator Ben Taylor, Assistant County Administrator Kathryn Downs, County Attorney Aaron Kappler and County Clerk Lori Tyson. Also present was Gage Hawkins, Kirk Croasmun and Trent Thompson with Thomas & Hutton. Commissioner Dallas Daniel was not present.

Chairman Infinger called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen to approve the Special Called Meeting Agenda. Motion was seconded by Gene Wallace. Vote 4:0; Motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator Ben Taylor and Trent Thompson, met with the board on the following issues.

**\* I-16 Regional Water and Sewer Improvements Change Order No. 6 Legacy Water Group, LLC Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Pembroke – Property Transfer** - Bryan County has coordinated with Effingham County to install two (2) force main connection points for use by Effingham County in the future pursuant to the existing IGA. Effingham County has provided payment to Bryan to cover the cost of these connection points. To comply with the conditions of the recently executed easement agreement in Chatham County, the force main construction methodology must be revised from traditional open-cut installation to trenchless horizontal directional drilling (HDD). Additional material and labor costs for this change in work shall be funded through the project's existing GEFA Georgia Fund loan. This change order includes an increase in the contract price for the 2 additional connections and HDD installation as well as a decrease/credit for removal of open-cut installation. A motion was made by Patrick Kisgen and seconded by Gene Wallace to approve Change Order #6 allowing installation of the two (2) connection points and the substitution of directional drill in lieu of open-cut construction for an increase in contract price in the amount of \$1,036,430.00. Vote 4:0, motion carried unanimously.

**\* I-16 Regional Water and Sewer Improvements Change Order No. 2 Consolidated Pipe & Supply** - To comply with the conditions of the recently executed easement agreement in Chatham County, the force main construction methodology must be revised from traditional open-cut installation to trenchless horizontal directional drilling (HDD). Additional material and labor costs for this change in work shall be funded through the project's existing GEFA Georgia Fund loan. This change order includes an increase in the contract price for additional fusible PVC (FPVC) piping to accomplish the HDD installation. A motion was made by Gene Wallace and seconded by Wade Price to approve Change Order #2 to allow the procurement of approximately 4,500 linear feet of 18-inch FPVC pipe in the amount of \$706,040.68. Vote 4:0, motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to adjourn the meeting. Vote 4:0; Motion carried unanimously.

After motion to adjourn was made, the county attorney recommended going into Executive Session to discuss certain current matters.

At 5:11 p.m., a motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace to go into Executive Session for the purposes of Real Estate and Litigation. Vote 4:0; Motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open meeting at 5:49 p.m.

A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Gene Wallace to adjourn. Vote 4:0, motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.