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Troup County Board of Commissioners

Work Session Meeting

August 2, 2013

Troup County Government Center

Troup County Board of Commissioners Vice-Chairman Richard English called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Richard English, Vice-Chairman
Buck Davis, Commissioner
Claude F. Foster III, Commissioner
Morris Jones, Commissioner

News Media Present:

Matt Strother, LaGrange Daily News

Board Members Not Present:

Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Staff Present:

Tod Tentler, County Manager
Scott Turk, Finance Officer/County Clerk
Mark DeGennaro, County Attorney
Cheryl May, Accounting/ Deputy Clerk
James Emery, County Engineer
Nancy Seegar, County Planner
Valerie Heard, Human Resources Director
Sonya Conroy, Deputy Finance Officer
Jay Anderson, Sr Deputy Building Official
Sherry Ratliff, Elections Supervisor
Nicole Kostial, Chief Probation Officer/Community Resources Coordinator
Diana Evans, Purchasing Director
Alan Slaughenhaupt, IT (Contracted)
Jason Cadenhead, IT (Contracted)

PUBLIC HEARING:

Juvenile Justice Reform Incentive Grant:

Ms. Nicole Kostial presented an application for Juvenile Justice Reform Incentive Grant and was awarded \$100k. Ms. Kostial is asking for approval from the Board to accept the award and to enter into contract with (EBA) Evidence Based Associates to facilitate the program.

Hardware Bid for Sheriff's Office, 911 and Marshal's Office:

From the IT Department, Mr. Jason Cadenhead presented a list of components to upgrade computers and install laptops in to the patrol cars. Also, other networking hardware is included in the bid list to replace failing systems.

Authorize Purchase Agreement with New World:

County Finance Officer Scott Turk presented a purchase agreement with New World Systems to be authorized for Troup County Finance and Human Resources departments under the City of LaGrange's contract. The current system is inflexible and provides little reporting and no analytical capability. The Human Resource legacy software, ABRA, is no longer active and payroll has been outsourced. The new software will bring payroll back to in-house providing a \$20k savings in FY14. Future savings will more than offset annual maintenance costs. Also, the new accounting software will allow the county to go paperless. The total cost of the system is \$367k.

Sanitation & Roads & Engineering Departments Hiring Freeze Request:

County Engineer James Emery is requesting to lift the hiring freeze to fill two vacancies for Heavy Equipment Operator. One position is for the Sanitation Department and the other position is for the Roads & Engineering Department.

Magistrate Court Software Purchase:

Magistrate Judge Vickie Sue McWaters presented an investment summary for Magistrate Court to replace current Delta System with new software, iJustice. The purchase is an addendum to the hub contract. IJustice Court CMS technology will deliver a highly customized solution that meets the unique business processing and automation needs of the Magistrate Court. The new software for Magistrate Court will cost \$168k plus \$180k for five years of support.

Criminal Justice Information Exchange System (CJIES) Project Change Order:

County Finance Officer Scott Turk presented Criminal Justice Information Exchange System (CJIES) Project change order. The project covers important enhancements and additional exchanges that are required to fulfill the immediate goals and milestones of the Criminal Justice Information Exchange System (CJIES) project. The purchase is an

addendum to the hub contract for \$42k and will provide automation of 12 CJIES Dashboard Queries which will provide important services to many Troup County Departments including Magistrate, Probate, State, Court Services, District Attorney, and Solicitor's Office.

Contract to Provide Elections Services for Hogansville:

Ms. Sherry Ratliff presented a contract to provide Elections Services for City of Hogansville. Costs associated with the election will be borne by the City of Hogansville, including on-site early voting if provided.

Agreement for Architectural Services for Boyd Park Amphitheater:

County Manager Tod Tentler presented agreement for Architectural Services for Boyd Park Amphitheater. The Architectural Services will be provided by Smith Design Group in the amount of \$189,700. Mr. Tentler stated the building at Boyd Park is deteriorating fast and hopes to start the demolition process around September. All upgrades are funded through SPLOST IV and other sources.

TAD for Veterans' Village:

LaGrange City Manager Tom Hall presented a resolution for the proposed Veterans' Village Tax Allocation District (TAD). The development, called Veterans Village, is planned on Hamilton Road on the property of the old American Legion golf course. It is planned to have a total 758 units of housing, some single family housing and some age-restricted, and retail along Hamilton Road. The entire project is planned to take six years with estimated build out of the first phase, planned to start this year, of 248 housing units. Mr. Hall stated the project is estimated to add \$82 million in taxable property to Troup County and school system. The County would receive the funds from additional taxes at the end of the term, 25 years, but continue to receive taxes based on the current value. The City of LaGrange has requested the Commissioners consent to inclusion of the Troup County ad valorem taxes levied on the real property located within the boundaries of the Veterans Village TAD.

FY 14 Budget Amendment:

County Finance Officer Scott Turk presented second amendment to FY14 Budget to recognize additional revenues: budget for jail, allocate bond and funds proceeds of \$6 million dollars.

TCBOE and DLDA 2013 Millage Rates:

County Finance Officer Scott Turk presented resolution affirming Troup County School System's and LaGrange Development Authority's 18.85 millage rate for the 2014 fiscal year. The 4.000 millage rate only applies to real property within the special service system.

Consideration of August 6, 2013 Agenda Items:

County Manager Tod Tentler discussed agenda items for August 6, 2013.

Executive Session to Discuss Potential Litigation:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go out of public meeting into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

MEETING REOPENED:

Following the Executive Session, Commissioner Davis made a motion to go back into public meeting. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous. No action was taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further matters to discuss, Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

Richard English, Vice-Chairman

Attest: _____
G.S. Turk, Clerk