



McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session
May 3, 2021, 6:30 PM
Government Center Meeting Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charles Newton, IV, Chairman
Wm. "Bill" M. Jopling, Commissioner
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner
Frederick Favors, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk
Stephen Sewell, Fire/EMS

Media: Erin Burditt, McDuffie Progress

Other:

COMMISSIONERS' WORK SESSION

All agenda items are for discussion only. No action was taken during the meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion Concerning Contract with CSRA Probation.

David advised that this is a renewal contract with CSRA Probation Services for superior court. Chief Judge Hinesley has approved renewing this service with them. There were no changes from previous agreement.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

2. Discussion Concerning Land Bank.

David advised that he still didn't have any commitments to the Land Bank. Chairman Newton advised that he spoke to someone but they stated they wouldn't have time to dedicate. So the board will still need to find an individual to serve on this board.

This item will be continued.

3. Discussion Concerning Recreation Department/Facilities.

David advised that Trevor has been working with the archway group to get mockups of improvements to the recreation facilities. David presented the board with drawings and information for possible improvements to Sweetwater Park, Vontee Cummings Park and Bernice Brown Park. The board agreed that the Sweetwater facility will be the first project since it will require the most work. The board advised David to move ahead to putting together RFQ for engineering work.

This item will be continued for further information.

4. Discussion Concerning Upcoming Work Sessions.

David advised that the work sessions for June and July fall on holidays that the office is closed. He advised that the meetings can be canceled and if something comes up that needs immediate attention the board can set a special meeting.

This item will be added to the next meeting agenda.

5. Discussion Concerning Solid Waste.

David advised that the city has received the bids for trash services. The lowest bid came in at \$12.50 per household. He asked the board how they would like to proceed with countywide pick up service using the same service as the city. The board agreed that a discussion with the company to find out if the county rate would be the same and how to proceed. Chairman Newton advised that there needs to be some further discussion on how the billing for county service would work and when this would start. The board agreed to continue discussions before a decision is made.

This item will be continued until further information is available.

6. Discussion Concerning Fire Fee.

David advised that he would like to start meeting with the Fire Fee Committee and begin discussions on moving forward. Commissioner Favors and Commissioner Jopling agreed that Wednesday's would work for them to meet as the board representatives for the committee.

7. Discussion Concerning Building Renovation Projects.

David gave renovation updates for the health department and DFAC building current construction. Projects are moving forward and ahead of the planned schedule. As soon as this project is completed, the mental health building will begin its renovations. This will allow the public defender's office to move into half of the building.

This was for information only.

8. Discussion Concerning Vehicles.

David advised that there are a few departments that will need vehicle replacements soon. He has started to look at some used condition vehicles and will bring any possible choices to the board for approval.

This was for information only.

9. Discussion Concerning GDOT Reimbursement Grant.

David advised that he received information today regarding this reimbursement grant for the airport. The work has been completed on the northern end and the land acquisition for any remaining is already being completed. The total for this project is \$261,945.19 with a city/county match of \$9,527.87.

This item will be added to the next agenda.

ADJOURNMENT- 7:42 pm

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST:



Nikki Milburn, County Clerk