



BANKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Courthouse Annex Boardroom | 150 Hudson Ridge | Homer, GA 30547

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ch. Turk called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Chairman Charles Turk

Vice Chairman Danny Maxwell

Commissioner Chris Ausburn

Commissioner Keith Gardiner

Commissioner Bo Garrison

STAFF

Assistant County Clerk Erin Decker

Fire Chief Steve Nichols

County Attorney Randall Frost

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Ausburn, Seconded by Commissioner Gardiner.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

3. CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS:

a. Fire/EMS: Statewide Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement

Chief Nichols stated the Statewide Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement was approved every other year. He stated this would allow the county to respond to other municipalities that needed mutual aid.

Attorney Frost stated he had a few concerns about providing mutual aid whenever needed and the County having to provide supplies. Chief Nichols stated that the County would only respond if they were able to and would be reimbursed for any supplies used.

Motion to approve the agreement.

Motion made by Commissioner Gardiner, Seconded by Vice Chairman Maxwell.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of Agreement filed in Attachment to Minute Book 11-1)

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION: LITIGATION

Motion to enter into executive session for litigation at 6:36 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Garrison, Seconded by Chairman Turk.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

Motion to close the executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Maxwell, Seconded by Chairman Turk.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of Affidavit filed in Attachment to Minute Book 11-1)

Motion to give the Chairman the authority to sign an agreement for litigation against SK Battery regarding the fires that was in Banks County.

Motion made by Commissioner Gardiner, Seconded by Vice Chairman Maxwell.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Ausburn, Seconded by Commissioner Garrison.

Voting Yea: Chairman Turk, Vice Chairman Maxwell, Commissioner Ausburn, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Garrison

Vote: 5:0

All yea votes and the motion passed.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk