

LAURENS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 @5:30 P.M.

The Laurens County Board of Commissioners held their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 4th, 2018, at 5:30 P.M. Present were, Chairman Jeff Davis, Commissioners Trae Kemp, Emory Lake, Tommy Daniel, Ms. Julie Driger, and County Administrator Bryan Rogers. County Attorney Billy Kight was not present due to illness. County Administrator Bryan Rogers gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item was the approval of the minutes of the August 7, 2018 regular meeting. Commissioner Trae Kemp made a motion to approve the regular meeting. Ms. Julie Driger seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The next item was to Amend Erosion & Sedimentation Ordinance. County Administrator Bryan Rogers stated, EPD makes changes from time to time concerning the Erosion and Sedimentation law, and since the County is a local issuing authority of soil erosion permits, the county must amend its ordinance when EPD makes changes. Commissioner Trae Kemp made a motion to amend the Erosion & Sedimentation Ordinance per EPD guidelines. Commissioner Tommy Daniel seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The next item was to adopt the new 911 Fee Ordinance. Mr. Rogers stated about 90% of the 911 calls come from cellular service, whereas, when 911 began, everything came in by landlines. In order to make all fee's consistent, the State amended the 911 law concerning phone fees to where all were the same amount. The new law also created a State Authority that will collect and distribute the fees to the Counties. All phones will now be charged \$1.50 per line whether it is a landline, monthly cellular service or pre-paid cellular service. Chairman Davis stated the new 911 fee ordinances must be adopted in order to collect appropriate fees. Chairman Davis entertained a motion to approve the new 911 fee ordinance. Commissioner Trae Kemp made a motion to adopt the new 911 fee ordinance. Commissioner Emory Lake seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The next item was Surplus Equipment. Mr. Rogers state there are about four pieces of equipment at public works that are just not utilized any longer. Mr. Rogers also stated there is a need to take advantage of the strong used equipment market and auction the equipment off. Below is the equipment.

1989 Caterpillar 615C:	Estimated auction value	\$18,000
1989 Caterpillar D7H:	Estimated auction value	\$35,000
1999 Peterbuilt:	Estimated auction value	\$25,000
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The Chair entertained a motion to surplus said equipment. Commissioner Trae Kemp made a motion to surplus the equipment. Ms. Julie Driger seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The next item was to set proposed millage rate. Mr. Rogers stated as of today, he still did not have the consolidation sheets needed to set the proposed millage rate. This item was tabled.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Kenzie Clark, a junior at West Laurens High School, stated as members of the Dublin-Laurens County Teen Court Leadership team, she would like to say thank you for the generous donation to the Teen Court Organization. Kenzie also stated they represent students from the city and county and again thanked the Commissioners for their support and helping them to continue making a difference one teen at a time.

Chairman Jeff Davis stated he received a phone call from a gentleman in Milledgeville by the name of Mark Simpson. His brother in-law is an employee with EMS, and his name is Dwayne Ussery. Mr. Ussery's brother in-law was asked to publicly thank the employees at EMS, specifically Angie and Terry Cobb, and the employees at the Sheriff's office. Mr. Simpson stated that without a doubt, they saved Mr. Ussery's life. Mr. Ussery had a stroke at work and Mr. Simpson stated he and his family, over the course of several days, were astounded by how good of care he received. Mr. Davis stated he wanted to thank the employees at EMS and the Sheriff's Department.

There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned.