

The Turner County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the regular monthly board meeting with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard present for the meeting. Staff present were Mary J. Wynn, County Manager, Latrice Wilson, County Clerk and John Holland, County Attorney. Others present were Bryan Duke, Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer, Marie Hudgins, Jim Ward, Sheriff Andy Hester, Charles Dean, Jason Lawson, E-911 Director/EMA Director and Lynn Davis, Extension Service.

Vice Chairman Brad Calhoun called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mr. Ben Baker gave the invocation.

Motion by Commissioner Burgess seconded by Commissioner Hudgins to adopt the agenda a printed, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall and Hudgins all voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to approve financial information for December 2013 as presented, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Burgess to approve minutes of previous meetings as printed, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all voted in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to accept the contract between Turner County and the Georgia Department of Transportation for construction of the runway extension and widening at the Turner County Airport with a local match of \$25,110.84 and authorize the Chairman to sign agreement on behalf of the County, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall and McCard all voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Hudgins opposed the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve direct deposit for Turner County employees as an option right now but possibly in the future change it to mandatory requirement, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded Commissioner Hudgins to let Robby Royal write specifications and receive bids for a new warehouse for fire/rescue equipment, motion passed, with Commissioner Calhoun, Hudgins and McCard all voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Burgess and Commissioner Hall opposed the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to authorize Turner County Connections to apply for the Georgia Rural Health Network Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign the grant with the approval of our County Attorney, motion passed, with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Hall, Hudgins and McCard all voting in favor of the motion.

Report:

Sheriff Andy Hester spoke stating he would like for the Commissioners to sit down with him to discuss additions to the Sheriff Office to include more office and storage space. If see fit, then put 911 there too. It will be more secure and help his operation flow better.

Public Comments:

Sheriff Hester thanked the board for offering direct deposit to the employees. He said about 70% of his employees were in favor of direct deposit.

Motion by Hall to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Sam McCard, Chairman

Attest: _____
Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk