

The Turner County Board of Commissioners met on February 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the regular board meeting with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard present for the meeting. Staff present were Latrice Wilson, County Clerk and John Holland, County Attorney. Others present were Robby Royal, EMS Director, Mark Robinson, Fire Chief/EMA Director, Dennis Kendrick, Sheriff Andy Hester, Charles Dean, Janet Winter, Elections Superintendent, Shirley Kelly, Linda Geoghagan, Gail Walls, Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer and Mike Coker, Recreation Director.

Chairman Calhoun called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Ben Baker gave the invocation and Chairman Calhoun welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adopt the agenda as printed, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Burgess seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve the financial information for December 2015 as presented, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Burgess seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve minutes of previous meeting as printed, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to contribute \$4,000.00 to the Turner County Chamber for the Turner County Fire Ant Festival for 2016, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to appoint Mike Rice to the Turner County Development Authority for a one year term ending December 31, 2016, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Burgess to authorize Tax Commissioner, Ranee Gregory to sign a contract to use a credit card machine to collect payment for tags and taxes, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Denham to table agenda item # 4 "consider accepting bid for remodeling for the Holley Pavilion" until a later date, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner McCard seconded by Commissioner Denham to accept bid from D.M. Metal Buildings in the amount of \$7,450.00 for a single slope metal equipment storage building for the Recreation Department, motion passed with Commissioners Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Burgess opposed the motion.

Motion by Commissioner McCard seconded by Commissioner Hall to table agenda item number 6 “consider donation of vacation time” until everyone has had the chance to look over the policy, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner McCard seconded by Commissioner Hall to allow Dustin Smith to cut trees at the forestry plot and pines trees plus whatever hardwood is needed behind the jail and cut pine trees at the old hospital property, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve Executive Session Minutes from Tuesday, January 26, 2016, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Burgess seconded by Commissioner Denham to approve paving for E911 parking lot and driveway at the Turner County Jail for total cost of \$65,700.00 motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adopt Resolution # 2016-01-07 approving Turner County’s local share match in the amount of \$1,815.00 for engineering and planning services for FY 2016 Perimeter Fencing Project at the Turner County Airport and authorize the Chairman to sign resolution on behalf of the County, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Denham opposed the motion.

Commissioners discussed fee for transporting an inmate to and from a funeral. Sheriff Andy Hester spoke stating he would start charging a fee for transporting inmates to and from a funeral. The fee is because of fuel cost, wear and tear on vehicles and man hand used to transport inmates. The family of the inmate will have to pay the fee first before transporting is done.

Motion by Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Burgess to go into executive session at 6:39 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner McCard to return back to regular meeting at 7:04 p.m., motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Hall and McCard voting in favor of the motion.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Hall to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Brad Calhoun, Chairman

Attest: _____
Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk