

The Turner County Board Commissioners met on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the monthly board meeting with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon present. Staff present were Joseph Saxon, County Manager and Latrice Wilson, County Clerk. Others present were Janet Winter, Elections Superintendent, Dustin Land, Tony Land, Dustin Beaty, Public Works Director, Sheriff Andy Hester, Robby Royal, EMS Director, Charles Dean, Chief Deputy, Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer, and Jimmy Whiddon.

Madam Chair Whiddon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Ben Baker gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comments: There were no comments concerning the agenda items.

Old Business: None

There was a consensus of the board to appoint Mr. Stacey Selph and Mr. John Y. Christian to the Board of Assessors.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to opt out of ABM ECM/M&V contract for compliance reasons, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Denham to consider county facilities HVAC compliance order to allow Department Heads or Elected Officials or their designated representatives to operate and control thermostats within their respective areas of operation, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Denham to retain Phillip Sutton as consultant for the County during the LOST Negotiations process and authorize the County Manager to sign contract on behalf of the County, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to approve the County Manager to set Goals/Leadership training through CVIIOG or ACCG, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Burgess to approve Holiday Date for 2022, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Burgess to appoint Mr. Lester M. Castellow as Interim County Attorney, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Denham opposed the motion.

County Manager Comments: County Manager, Joseph Saxon gave an update on the audit process and non-compliance reporting.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to go into closed session at 6:12 p.m. to discuss personnel, motion passed with Commissioner Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Denham to return to the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m., motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Dana L. Whiddon, Madam Chair

Attest: _____
Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk