

**JEFF DAVIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MAY 14, 2019**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Chairman Ricky Crosby, Commissioners James Benjamin, Brad Crews, Hank Hobbs and Vann Wooten, Attorney Carla Powell, Administrator Keith Carter and Clerk Sherri Lytle.

Chairman Ricky Crosby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner James Benjamin gave the invocation. Chairman Crosby led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> AND APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> MEETINGS AND MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**Motion:** To approve the minutes for April 9<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> meetings and May 8<sup>th</sup> Budget Workshop.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVAL TO PAY MONTHLY BILLS**

**Motion:** To approve to pay the monthly bills

**Proposed:** Commissioner James Benjamin

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Motion Carried**

**EMS DIRECTOR RONNIE JOWERS – DISCUSS AMBULANCE PURCHASE**

EMS Director Ronnie Jowers explained to the Board that there's no chassis available for this year. The 2020 model will come out around October or November of this year. Custom Truck & Body said they will honor their price of \$140,303 that was for a 2019 model. They would like for us to go ahead and issue a purchase order for it now so we could be on the list for a 2020 model. We won't have to pay for it until the chassis is delivered. It will be six month delivery date once they get the chassis in.

Commissioner Brad Crews asked about the possibility of the demo unit. Mr. Jowers stated that the demo unit was \$5,000 higher than a brand new 2019 model. This demo model was a 2018 model and the reason it was higher is because it was loaded. Commissioner Crews asked "a year from now are we going to be in market for another ambulance. If so, will they honor the same price for two ambulances?" Mr. Jowers stated that we will be due one next year with the SPLOST schedule.

**Motion:** To go ahead and give a purchase order for the first ambulance of the low bid of last month's bid opening.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**Motion:** Authorize EMS Director Ronnie Jowers to check and see if it's possible for us to buy the second ambulance at the same price and bring back to the Board to make a decision at that time.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews  
**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten  
**Motion Carried**

**ROAD SUPERINTENDENT ROBERT LEWIS – OPEN SEALED BIDS FOR MOTOR GRADER**

Bids read as follows:

Flint Equipment Co. (John Deere)	\$265,400
Yancey Brothers (Caterpillar)	\$269,420

**Motion:** To purchase the Caterpillar Motor Grader for \$269,420.

**Proposed:** Commissioner James Benjamin

**Second:** Chairman Ricky Crosby

**Motion failed.**

**Motion:** To purchase the lowest bid from Flint Equipment Co. (John Deere) for \$265,400.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Motion Carried 4 – 1** (Commissioner James Benjamin opposed).

**APPROVE/DENY WORK DETAIL AGREEMENTS**

**Motion:** To approve the Work Detail Agreements.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Vann Wooten

**Second:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Motion Carried**

**APPOINT COMMISSIONER VANN WOOTEN TO THE TRI COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO REPLACE COMMISSIONER BRAD CREWS**

**Motion:** To appoint Commissioner Vann Wooten to the Tri County Development Authority to replace Commissioner Brad Crews.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Brad Crews

**Second:** Chairman Ricky Crosby

**Motion Carried**

**APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**Motion:** To table the appointment of a member to the Board of Elections until next month.

**Proposed:** Commissioner Hank Hobbs

**Second:** Commissioner Brad Crews

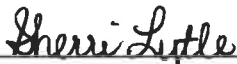
**Motion Carried**

**DISCUSS NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Hank Hobbs stated "this was old business and wasn't going to correct it in the minutes but the last sentence in the minutes was not accurate. What we were looking at was a set of dirt roads that services 35 houses that are only a mile and half long. We wanted to look at seeing about what it may cost us to pave that section and we're still waiting on Hofstadter & Associates to get here and work with us on it."

Commissioner James Benjamin stated he's received several complaints about the J.A. Yawn Road. Some of the traffic is cutting through the Yawn's Estate to get to J.A. Yawn Road. Commissioner Hank Hobbs suggested putting up "No Trucks" signs. There was much discussion on how to improve the truck traffic with Beasley's Forest Products on J.A. Yawn Road.

**ADJOURN 6:31 P.M.**

  
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Sherri Lytle, Clerk

  
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Ricky Crosby, Chairman