

Minutes of Called Meeting
Elbert County Board of Commissioners
Wednesday, January 27, 2016

Chairman Tommy Lyon called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Lyon, Vice Chairman Horace Harper, Commissioner Lee Vaughn, Commissioner Chris Alexander, Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth, Commissioner Freddie Jones, Attorney Bill Daughtry, Administrator Bob Thomas, County Clerk Tamara Butler, CFO Phil Pitts.

After the pledge to the United States flag the invocation was given by Chairman Lyon.

Adoption of Agenda. Commissioner Jones made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Ashworth seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and approval of the 2016 Proposed SPLOST Projects and Intergovernmental Agreement. After much discussion the final proposed budget was cut from \$8,328,800 to \$7,840,800. Following are the final projects and amounts budgeted.

EMS/911/EMA -	\$ 900,000
ROADS/BRIDGES -	\$ 4,036,240
SHERIFF -	\$ 400,000
SENIOR CENTER -	\$ 40,000
TAX ASSESSORS-	\$ 95,000
COUNTY EXTENSION-	\$ 55,000
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 35,000
COUNTY FIRE DEPT-	\$ 730,000
COMPUTER/SOFTWARE -	\$ 150,000
RECREATION DEPT-	\$ 80,000
BOBBY BROWN PARK-	\$ 54,000
GENERAL OBLIGATIONS DEBT/FIRE DEPTS.	\$ 365,560
COUNTY BLDGS/FACILITIES-	\$ 150,000
RADIO COMMUNICATIONS -	\$ 450,000
SOLID WASTE -	\$ 225,000
ANIMAL CONTROL/CODE ENFORCEMENT -	\$ 75,000

The largest cut was for Roads and Bridges but will be made up from LMIG starting in 2017. The hospital also asked to be added to the SPLOST but Chairman Lyon said there was just not enough and considering what we are already contributing to the hospital. The Jim-Ree Museum also asked for \$300,000 that we are unable to fund. Mr. Daughtry then brought before the Board the Intergovernmental Agreement Resolution. Three purposes of the resolution is to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement, call for the election on May 24th, 2016 by Judge Stephanie Hewell, and prepare notice. Commissioner Ashworth made a motion to approve the final proposed SPLOST projects and resolution. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and approval of a request from the Senior Center to purchase two new DOT vans. 90% will be paid through federal funds. Our cost will be \$8,836.60 which will come from our DHS fund account. Commissioner Alexander made a motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Vaughn seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and approval of a Hopper spreader for sand or salt for the Road Department to assist in icy road conditions. The hopper will fit inside of the small dump truck and can be taken in and out as needed. The cost is \$9,499.00 which will come from the federal disaster fund reimbursement. Commissioner Harper made a motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

Public Comments. There were no public comments.

Adjournment. Commissioner Harper made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.