

**THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE  
CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2015**

**THE MEETING OF THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS  
CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.**

**INVOCATION GIVEN BY MR. JOHN THOMAS**

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**FIRST ON THE AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes:** 20 January 2015

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting of 20 January 2015. Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**SECOND ON THE AGENDA**

**Public Hearing:** Mr. John Small – Request for Variance

Mr. Miller (Zoning Administrator) stated that the Crawford County Planning and Zoning Board made a recommendation to approve a variance application by Mr. John Small. Mr. Miller stated that the Crawford County Land Development Regulations (CCLDR) limits antennas to 75 feet in height. Mr. Small has requested that he be allowed to install a 150 foot antenna. The antenna would be located at 545 Mallard Circle.

Mr. Thomas asked if there were any objections to the request. Mr. Miller stated that the surrounding property owners were notified and there were no objections.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the request for variance. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**THIRD ON THE AGENDA**

**Old Business:** Compensation – County Board Members (Non-Employees)

Mr. Sama (Board of Assessors) had requested the Board of Commissioners consider increasing the amount of compensation for attending training sessions from \$50.00 per day to \$100.00 per day. He went on to say that the increase would only apply to training sessions that required out of County travel.

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with a chart of the various County Board's and their compensation rate for each meeting that they attend as follows:

Board of Assessors	\$ 50.00
Board of Elections	\$ 00.00
Board of Equalization	\$ 40.00
Board of Planning and Zoning	\$ 50.00
Board of Recreation	\$ 00.00
Development Authority	\$ 00.00

*AMOUNTS DO NOT INCLUDE PER DIEM (\$25.00/day-meals), MILEAGE (.565/mile) OR HOTEL EXPENSES WHEN OUT OF TOWN. THOSE EXPENSES ARE PAID BY THE COUNTY.*

Mr. Chapman asked how many times per year the Tax Assessors Board members are required to attend training sessions that required out of town travel.

Mr. Sama stated a maximum of eight (8) times per year per member.

Mr. Thomas stated that the increase, if approved, should encompass any non-employee member of any board.

After further discussion Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the request for the increase to \$100.00 for any member (non-employee) serving on any Board provided the training session is a State Mandated requirement. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

#### **FOURTH ON THE AGENDA**

##### **New Business:** Development Authority – Board Appointment

Mr. Kelly stated that the Development Authority Board had an open seat. He went on to say that the opening was advertised in the Georgia Post requesting applicants and he had received two (2) responses from:

MR. TREY SEAGRAVES  
MS. APRIL MICHELE FAIRCLOTH

TO COMPLETE THE TERM VACATED BY TROY COOK

BEGINNING	MARCH 1, 2014
ENDING	APRIL 30, 2018

Mr. Kelly stated that Mr. Seagraves had contacted him and stated that after seeing Ms. Faircloth's qualifications he was of the opinion she would make a great selection for the County. He respectfully requested that his application be withdrawn from consideration.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to appoint Ms. Faircloth to the Development Authority Board. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**New Business:** 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Briefing

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Briefing (attached) that covered the following items:

**FY 2015 REVENUES**

- LOST COLLECTIONS – ANNUAL COMPARISONS
- FY 2015 REVENUES

**FY 2015 EXPENDITURES**

- FY 15 EXPENDITURES – DEPARTMENT
- FY 15 BUDGET AMENDMENTS
- FRONT LOADED EXPENDITURES

**FY 2015 TRANSIT FUND BUDGET**

**FY 2015 WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET**

**FY 2015 RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**SPLOST**

- BOND DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE
- SPLOST COLLECTIONS – ANNUAL COMPARISONS
- SPLOST YEAR SIX OVERVIEW

**ROAD PROJECTS – STATUS UPDATES**

- LMIG 2014
- LMIG 2015

The Board thanked him for the update.

**New Business:** Budget Amendment – Roads Department

At its previous meeting the BOC had voted to stripe approximately eighteen (18) miles of road for \$29,800.00. Mr. Kelly has requested that the Board amend the Roads Department budget as follows to pay for the projects:

**INCREASE BUDGET            52.1200 PROF SVCS – ROAD STRIPING            \$ 29,800.00**

- Avera Road from Pope Road to Highway 128 (5.2 miles)
- Salem Church Road from Fair Play Hill Road to Dent Road (1.7 miles)
- Reeves Road from Whitaker Road heading South to the stop sign (2.1 miles)
- Collins Road from Union Church to Houze Road (1.50 miles)

- Jordan Road from Hwy 42 S to Boy Scout Road (4.15 miles)
- Lower Hartley Bridge for Hartley Bridge to Marshall Mill Road (4.05 miles)

Mr. Thomas made the motion to amend the budget as requested. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**New Business:** Inert Landfill – Certification

Mr. Kelly stated that due to new EPD regulations the current inert landfill located on Jackson Road was not in compliance, as the required records were not available, and would need to be closed. He went on to say that the new regulations had affected many rural counties causing many closures. Because of the impact of the loss of those inert landfills the EPD was allowing a one-time expedited permitting process that would allow those counties to permit a new site as long as it was on the same parcel as the old site. The permit process would need to be completed by 1 June 2015. Mr. Kelly stated that Crawford County meets all the requirements to certify a new area within the boundaries of the current landfill site.

Mr. Kelly stated he had researched the possibility of burn pits, chippers, and paying to have inert debris hauled to a certified site out of the County. Those measures proved not to be cost effective and filled with liability issues.

Mr. Kelly stated that he had contacted three (3) engineering firms, recommended by the EPD, in order to obtain estimates on the cost to complete the permit and certification process. Based on those three (3) estimates Mr. Kelly recommended the Board consider allowing Hodges, Harbin, Newberry & Tribble to complete the permitting and certification process at a cost of \$48,500.00. He went on to say that the County surveyor would be required to resurvey the site as part of the permit process and that service would be an additional expenditure.

Mr. Kelly stated that due to the urgency and need for an inert site he requested the Board consider the exception portion (*Section h, Paragraph 1 – In emergency situation, otherwise affecting or potentially affecting the health, welfare, or popery of the County, or its occupants, the County Administrator, may in his or her discretion, authorize those actions necessary to prevent further immediate or imminent harm under the totality or the circumstances.*) of the County ordinance that provided for the purchasing of services. He requested the Board inter into an agreement with Hodges, Harbin, Newberry & Tribble without formally requesting bids.

There was much discussion as to how best to proceed. Mr. Chapman stated that since there were three (3) written estimates he was inclined to proceed with the low estimate and by pass the bid process. Mr. Thomas was in agreement and put the request in the form of a motion. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

**New Business:** Request for Proposal (RFP) – Road Resurfacing Projects

Mr. Kelly stated that the County will be accepting sealed bids for three (3) road surfacing projects that were approved by the Board as part of the 2015 LMIG project list. Those projects are the resurfacing of a portion of Dent and Walton Road and a new triple surface treatment for the southern portion of Smith Chapel Road. A description of the projects and a marked map can be viewed at [www.crawfordcountyga.org](http://www.crawfordcountyga.org) or a project package may be picked up at the County's Administration office. Bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. Friday, February 27, 2015.

**Adjourn:**

There being no further business, Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to adjourn the 5 February 2015 meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Thomas made the motion, seconded by Mr. Braswell. Motion carried 4-0 and the Board adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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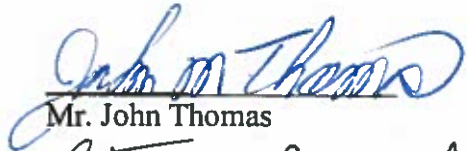


Mr. Paul Chapman – Chairman

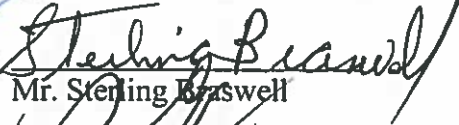


Mr. Blasingame – V. Chairman

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OPEN SEAT



Mr. John Thomas



Mr. Sterling Braswell



Attest – County Manager