The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, August 5, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the White County Courthouse. Present at the meeting were Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, County Manager Michael Melton, Finance Director Vicki Mays, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy. Commissioner Craig Bryant was not in attendance.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Dean Dyer provided the invocation.

In considering the adoption of meeting minutes, Chairman Turner asked that the June 24, 2013 minutes be corrected to reflect that the vote regarding the provision of complete E-911 Services to the City of Helen was a unanimous vote.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the Minutes of the Enotah Judicial Circuit Meeting held May 2, 2013, the Regular Meeting held May 6, 2013, the Work Session & Called Meeting held May 20, 2013, the Budget Hearing held June 6, 2013, the Work Session & Called Meeting held June 24, 2013, the Called Meeting held July 8, 2013 (including sealed Executive Session Minutes), the Called Meeting held July 26, 2013, and the Work Session held July 29, 2013 – with the change to the June 24, 2013 Called Meeting Minutes as stated by Chairman Turner.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to approve the following Consent Agenda:

- Approval of the proposal submitted by CHA for the continued program management for the White County SPLOST Program (July 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013) at the cost of $4,083.00 per month – wither services to be funded by the 2008 SPLOST Funds;

- Approval for the Agreement submitted by the Georgia State Defense Force for use of the OTPO Property for training exercises in September & October 2013;

- Approval of support for the relocation of the Testnatee Polling Place (from the Asbestos Road Park to Mt. Yonah Baptist Church Administrative Offices) as presented by the White County Elections Superintendent;

- Award of the contract for the resurfacing of New Bridge Road – to CW Matthews in the amount of $458,870.86 to be funded by the $265,000.00 GDOT Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) and $193,870.86 in 2008 SPLOST Funds; and
• Appointment if Mr. John Erbele to the Alpine Helen / White County Convention & Visitor’s Board of Directors in order to fulfill the remainder of a two (2) year term expiring July 1, 2015 – previously held by Mr. Scott Hudgins.

-Chairman Turner stated that the funding request previously made by the Community Helping Hands Clinic has been withdrawn.

Mr. O’Bryant, Director of Community & Economic Development, presented a grant application on behalf of VIP Alpine Tours for funding available through the Georgia Department of Economic Development for the development of tourism related products in FY 2014. Mr. O’Bryant stated the VIP Alpine Tours is planning to purchase a tour bus and provide winery and cultural tour in White County. In presenting this grant application – Mr. O’Bryant stated White County would be serving as a conduit for the grant funds, if awarded, and the expenditures would be part of White County’s annual audit.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to approve the application for FY 2014 tourism product development grant funds for VIP Alpine Tours thereby granting the Chairman authority to execute the grant application.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the Monthly Financial Status Report for the month of June 2013 (see attached).

Chairman Turner requested that Ms. Mays provide the Board with a month to month comparison of revenue received through the “old” motor vehicle ad valorem tax and the “new” title tax – FY 13 compared to FY 14, as the Board considers revenue that has shifted from sales tax proceeds to general fund revenue.

Mr. Melton stated that with the New Bridge Road resurfacing contract having been awarded, the County would need to hire someone to perform the necessary inspections during the course of project. He stated that based on quotes received – Southern Geotech @ $485.00 per day and KCI @ $627.00 per day. Mr. Melton reminded the Board that the DOT is no longer providing any inspection services for local projects.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to contract with Southern Geotech to complete the project inspections on New Bridge Road at the rate of $485.00 per day – to be paid from the 2008 SPLOST Funds.

Mr. Melton presented bids to the Commissioners for the replacement of an old HVAC unit at the White County Senior Center. He stated this unit was not involved in the recent expansion. He indicated that the cost to repair the unit would be approximately $3,600.00 and the bids received were Burke’s @ $7,390.00, Sands @ $7,800.00, and A&A @ $10,803.78. Mr. Melton
recommended, based on the bids received and the age of the unit that the Board approve replacing the unit.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to award the replacement of the HVAC unit at the White County Senior Center to Burke’s Heating & Air in the amount of $7,390.00 – with the project to be funded by the General Fund.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to approve the following budget amendment for the FY 2013 budget:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-13

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend White County’s Budget for the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 with the attached budget amendments;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Budget of White County is hereby amended to allow the changes as set out on the attached.

RESOLVED, this 5th day of August, 2013.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1

s/Lyn Holcomb
Lyn Holcomb, District 2

s/Edwin Nix
Edwin Nix, District 3

Attest:

s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk
Chairman Turner opened the floor for citizen participation.

Ms. Debbie Gilbert recommended that improved signage be added to the White County Courthouse directing those needing access to the handicap ramp to the south side of the building. Mr. Melton stated that he would address her concern.

Commissioner Goodger stated that the plan design for the proposed park adjacent to the Courthouse was substantially complete and although the estimate for the project as drawn in the plans was over budget – the recommendation was to go ahead and bid the project with options for value engineering. He stated that the City of Cleveland was willing to take on portions of the project including a portion of the storm drainage, a portion of the sidewalk, the paving of the

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adjacent streets, and a portion of the curb & gutter work. Commissioner Goodger stated that he would be presenting the plans to the City of Cleveland later in the evening at their Council Meeting in hopes of the Council committing to a dollar amount for the project. He stated that the County would have approximately $450,000 to $500,000 in tourism product development funds accumulated by the end of the year for this type project. He explained that the County’s expense in the project would be based on funding commitment from the City of Cleveland and the amount of value engineering done. Commissioner Goodger said he would have more concrete information on the project by the end of August.

Chairman Turner reviewed all announcements.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting.

The minutes of the August 5, 2013 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 26th day of August, 2013.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1

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