

Commissioner Marshall asked how would the funds be paid, Ms. Hayes responded from the Solicitor's Office general fund budget.

Solicitor-General's Office 2021 VAWA Competitive Application, Senior Victim Advocate, Karen Hayes, presented the item. Ms. Hayes stated the \$17,326.00, cash match will fund the continuation of the grant used by the Solicitor General's Office to address crimes against families and women.

Adoption of the 2021-2022 Budget Calendar, Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the budget calendar. Ms. Black stated the Commission is required to adopt a balanced budget by June 30, adding the other dates are presented as guidelines to keep the process on track.

Approval of DA's Federal VOCA Grant Application Renewal, County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented this request. Mrs. Dukes stated the District Attorney's office has received this grant since 1997, adding it benefits all five counties in the Southern Judicial Circuit. Mrs. Dukes further stated that the funds from the grant, along with "five percent" funds, pay for victim services.

BID

Stone Creek Elevated Tank Coating, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated the bids ranged from \$148,000.00 - \$215,115.00, with Southeastern Tank & Tower, Inc. submitting the low bid for \$148,000.00.

Bid for Four 10-Wheel Dump Trucks for the Public Works Department, Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the bid with Beck Motors in Albany, Georgia, submitting the one bid that met specifications, in the amount of \$464,196.00.

REPORTS - County Manager

County Manager, Paige Dukes, stated information received before the meeting from Planning and Zoning Director, J.D. Dillard, was regarding a draft proposal for consideration of an agricultural entertainment district. Mrs. Dukes stated this is the first draft and any feedback or questions the Commission may have, please notify her. Additionally, Mrs. Dukes informed the Commission the draft proposal has to go before the Planning Commission, before being adopted by the County.

Georgia Forestry Presentation (Work Session)

Georgia Forestry Chief Ranger, Randy Spells, presented the Commission with an annual report for 2019-2020 detailing forestry operations in the region. Chairman Slaughter asked regarding the controlled burns, Mr. Spells stated a forestry representative is present at the location for all controlled burns. Commissioner Marshall asked regarding the illegal burning throughout the county, County Manager, Paige Dukes, responded a report with the citations given this year would be printed for him. Chairman Slaughter thanked Mr. Spells for the information and for Forestry's service to Lowndes County.