

UPS Replacement at the Naylor and Hahira Public Safety Radio System Tower Sites

911 Director, Tonya Davis, presented the request in the amount \$70,500.00. Mrs. Davis stated this request is to replace two of the Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) units which are over twenty years old. Mrs. Davis stated this is a budgeted item.

Expanding Board of Tax Assessors

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated, based on conversations that staff was given regarding the current challenge with the Board of Assessors, direction was given to expand the board by two additional members. Commissioner Marshall asked if the appointment would be in January, Mrs. Dukes responded yes, Mr. Puckett's seat expires in December and also two additional members would be appointed.

Loan to Valdosta Housing Authority

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated the County signed and adopted a resolution agreeing to make a loan to the Valdosta Housing Authority. Mrs. Dukes stated the Valdosta Housing Authority has asked the County to extend this deadline one year, to December 31, 2024.

BID

Bid on 3 Roll-Up Doors for County Buildings

Purchasing Agent, Amy Woods, presented the bid for a quantity of three roll-up doors. Mrs. Woods stated one bid was received from AllStar Garage Door in the amount of \$41,582.00. Additionally, Mrs. Woods stated this amount will be reimbursed by FEMA.

Bid for Security Services at the Human Resources Building

Purchasing Agent, Amy Woods, presented the item for security guard services at the Human Resources Building. Mrs. Woods stated one bid was received from American Professional Investigators, Inc. in the amount of \$63,580.00, for one year. Mrs. Woods stated American Professional Investigators, Inc. has held this contract for the past five years. Commissioner Marshall asked if the security guards were unarmed? Chairman Slaughter answered yes, the guards are there to make sure the citizens are going through the metal detectors, to prevent someone with a weapon. Vice Chairman Wisenbaker asked if there were issues with security? Mrs. Woods answered not to my knowledge. Chairman Slaughter mentioned there were issues during COVID, due to the increase of citizens being seen. County Manager, Mrs. Dukes, stated off duty deputies were used in the past and the decision was made to use private security.

Moody AFB Emergency Backup Water Connection

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated Lowndes County in conjunction with Moody Air Force Base, was awarded a grant for an emergency backup water connection for the base water system. This project will include an extension of the water main along Bemiss Road, boring under the railroad and Moody's perimeter fence and tying into the 10" water main on Georgia Street. There will be a small building on the base that will house the meter, pressure actuated valve, and SCADA inputs. Mr. Stalvey stated two bids were received from Standard Contractors in the amount of \$886,352.50 and RPI, Inc. in the amount of \$944,289.50. Commissioner Marshall asked what is the estimate on the pipe run, Mr. Stalvey answered 1,700 feet on Bemiss Road and approximately 3,000 feet total.