

**412-416 N. Lee Street Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement \*Agenda Item Added\***

Chairman Slaughter stated if there were no objections, staff would like to add an item to the agenda, 412-416 North Lee Street Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement. There being no objections, Chairman Slaughter asked that the item be added as requested.

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated that Lowndes County has been pursuing the purchase of the properties located at 412-416 North Lee Street. Mr. McLeod stated staff has reached an agreement with Ms. Shirley Joseph for the purchase of the property in the amount of \$75,000.00. The title search revealed that Ms. Joseph does not have a clean title to the properties and curative title work will need to be completed. Within this real estate purchase and sale agreement is the purchase amount as well as the curative title work. Commissioner Griner made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**BID**

**Francis Lake Warehouse Modifications Bids**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the Francis Lake Warehouse modifications include enclosing the open bay of the existing metal building and improvements including a new monorail beam, insulation, lighting, and ventilation. Mr. McLeod stated that additional site work includes grading, asphalt paving, a new pump wash basin, a new sanitary drain and a new pump storage shelter structure. Mr. McLeod stated four bids were received with Chuck Smith and Son Construction being the low bidder in the amount of \$395,980.00. Two additive alternates include a new lift station \$1,000.00 and spray foam \$1,000.00. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve Chuck Smith and Son Construction in the amount of \$397,980.00, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**REPORTS - County Manager**

County Manager, Mrs. Dukes, congratulated Ms. Black and her staff for submitting the audit on time. The Lowndes County Bird Supper will be held next Wednesday, January 17th in Atlanta. The Utilities software update will be ready March 11th with the new meter install in April and a communications plan being finalized. Lowndes County offices will be closed tomorrow due to the weather. Mrs. Dukes asked EMA Director, Ashley Tye, to give an update to the Commission regarding the weather. Vice Chairman Marshall asked regarding shelter options for the homeless? Mr. Tye responded he has been coordinating with one of the local churches, but LAMP and the Salvation Army would be the first resort. Chairman Slaughter thanked Mr. Tye for his diligence and hard work. Mrs. Dukes stated departments are ready on standby, if the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) needs to be stood up.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD** - There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Slaughter thanked Commissioner Wisenbaker as his term for Vice Chairman has come to an end and now the rotation begins for Vice Chairman Marshall. Commissioner Orenstein and Vice Chairman Marshall made a motion to adjourn the regular session meeting, Commissioner Wisenbaker second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.