

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
WORK SESSION  
Monday, April 22, 2024

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Chairman Bill Slaughter  
Commissioner Joyce Evans  
Commissioner Scott Orenstein  
Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker  
Commissioner Clay Griner

Vice Chairman Demarcus Marshall was not present.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

## MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session of April 8, 2024 and the regular session of April 9, 2024. No revisions to the minutes were requested.

## APPOINTMENT

### **Valdosta-Lowndes County Land Bank Authority**

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the appointment. Mrs. Dukes stated there is a vacant seat due to the resignation of Mr. Jason Dove. Mrs. Dukes stated Ms. Debra White, Mr. Robert Green and Mr. James Miller have all expressed a desire to serve. Additionally, Mrs. Dukes stated Commissioner Evans serves on this board as well.

## FOR CONSIDERATION

### **FY 2025 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant**

Emergency Management Director, Ashley Tye, presented a grant application request in the amount of \$362,246.40, in Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) grant funds. Mr. Tye stated since 2014, Lowndes County has been awarded funding through the CJCC to allow Juvenile Court to implement services for diversion of youth offenders instead of incarceration. Mr. Tye stated Functional Family Therapy (FFT) has been the primary program implemented, and the Juvenile Court has requested to continue. Mr. Tye stated this program will serve sixty (60) youths and their families from July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025.

### **Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement Between Lowndes County and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency**

Emergency Management Director, Ashley Tye, presented the item. Mr. Tye stated the agreement between Lowndes County and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency renews every four years with 2020 being the last time the contract was renewed. Mr. Tye further stated the agreement provides the mechanism by which FEMA funds can be requested in the event of a disaster. Commissioner Orenstein asked if there were any revisions to this agreement? Mr. Tye answered there were no changes.

### **Acceptance of Infrastructure for SetterPointe Subdivision Phase 3**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated SetterPointe