

**Beer and Wine License - John Fuller of Family Dollar Stores of Georgia, LLC DBA Family Dollar 23231 - 1006 Lakes Blvd., Lake Park, GA**

Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the item. Ms. Black stated this is for the Family Dollar Store in Lake Park, Georgia, and they are requesting to add beer and wine for consumption off premises. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**North Lowndes Data Center Switches**

IT Director, Aaron Kostyu, presented the item. Mr. Kostyu stated this is to replace the network core for the North Lowndes Data Center. Mr. Kostyu further stated this is a planned and budgeted expense. Commissioner Griner asked for the North Lowndes Data Center's location. Mr. Kostyu responded he would be happy to discuss it with Commissioner Griner offline. Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve the item as presented, Commissioner Griner second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**Proposed Sale of Danieli Drive Property**

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated the Lowndes County Utilities Department sought bids to dispose of property located at 5407 Danieli Drive. He further stated the Conditions of Sale in the Notice of Sale and Invitation for Bids and in the Bid Documents provided the County would sell the property for a minimum of \$47,000.00, which was the appraised value. There was one bid received for \$30,000.00. Georgia Statute provides the County shall have the right to reject any and all bids or cancel the sale, which was stated in the bid documents. Staff recommends the bid for the sale of property located at 5407 Danieli Drive be rejected as it did not meet the minimum bid requirement and the sale be canceled. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to reject the bid, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**REPORTS - County Manager**

County Manager, Paige Dukes reported the following:

Mrs. Dukes stated she, along with Finance Director, Stephanie Black and her team have made it most of the way through budget meetings with all the departments individually, and they will be scheduling the elected officials for May. Mrs. Dukes further stated they will provide the Commission with the schedule once it is completed. She went on to say that they are on track and moving toward presenting a balanced budget to the Commission by the first meeting in June. Mrs. Dukes stated this will allow the Commission enough time in between just in case they need to make adjustments.

Emergency Management Director, Ashley Tye, has been recognized by the International Association of Emergency Managers as an Associate Emergency Manager. This is the second highest honor of professional achievement available from the association, and this designation is presently held by only 327 individuals in the Emergency Management profession nationally. Chairman Slaughter congratulated Mr. Tye. Mrs. Dukes stated, Mr. Tye continues to demonstrate fantastic leadership.

This Friday, April 26, 2024, Lowndes County will have our second "Lunch On The Lawn" at the historic courthouse, scheduled from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Staff has worked with three downtown restaurants, Mo's Mediterranean Table, Downtown Social, and Jesse's for grab and go. Mrs. Dukes stated she knows the Commissioners will be at the annual conference in Savannah on this day, but some of them were at the first one where there was a great turnout. Public Information Officer, Meghan