

Commissioner Smith asked how many miles is Twin Lakes Road. Mr. McLeod answered he was unsure, but would verify.

PI 0016280 Twin Lakes Road Right of Way Purchases for Parcels 19 and 20

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated staff has negotiated purchase of the right of way for Parcels 19 and 20 for the Twin Lakes Road TSPLOST project. The attached detailed schedule identifies the property, the grantor, and the purchase price for each parcel. Lowndes County is purchasing 0.080 acres from Brenda Johnson, Parcel 19, for \$1,714.00 and 0.069 acres from Katrina Moore, Parcel 20, for \$3,000.00.

PI 0016280 Twin Lakes Road Right of Way Purchases for Parcels 2, 6, and 10

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated staff has negotiated purchase of the right of way for parcels 2, 6, and 10 for the Twin Lakes Road which is owned by L. Warren Turner, Jr. The attached Purchase Agreement identifies the property, the grantor, and the purchase price and other consideration regarding gates, fencing, trees, access to water, and CUVA application fees for all three parcels. Lowndes County is purchasing 1.612 acres from L. Warren Turner, Jr. The purchase price is \$6,008.00.

Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Delivery Application for Hickory Grove Road Shoulder Widening and Skipper Bridge Road Shoulder Widening

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated Hickory Grove Road Shoulder Widening and Skipper Bridge Road Shoulder Widening are on the TIA II list to bid in July 2026. The Local Delivery Application starts the process by allowing Lowndes County to manage the project at the local government level. If approved, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) will send an approval letter and agreement to be approved by the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners. The project will include a 2' widening on each side of the road, resurfacing, new signage, audible edge rumble strips, and drainage structure improvement, if required. The Hickory Grove Road project will begin at US Hwy 41 and end at the Echols County/Lowndes County line. The Skipper Bridge Road project will begin near Bemiss Road and end at Hwy 122. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked if the audible rumble strips can be removed. Mr. McLeod responded that will be taken into consideration.

Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Delivery Application for Val Del Road Widening

Director of Engineering, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated Val Del Road Widening is on the TIA II list to bid in January 2030. The Local Delivery Application starts the process by allowing Lowndes County to manage the project at the local government level. If approved, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) will send an approval letter and agreement to be approved by the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners. Staff has already started preliminary programming and traffic studies to help determine the final typical section. The project will begin at North Valdosta Road and end at McMillian Road with the widening, and the remaining portion being resurfaced. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked if this was going to be four lanes. Mr. McLeod answered yes. Commissioner Marshall asked regarding the bid date of 2030 and if that date could be moved up. Mr. McLeod stated the TIA money is programmed ahead of time based on selections by the TIA office. Mr. McLeod stated there may be a possibility that the date will move up based on collections in the TIA Office, and how the engineering work moves forward, but for now it is January 2030. Commissioner Marshall asked regarding the McMillian intersection with Val Del Road if there are plans to improve the crossway to realign. Mr. McLeod responded yes, that is part of this project to realign the intersection for better site distance and alignment. Chairman Slaughter stated to support what Mr.