

be open, Mrs. Dukes responded yes, that is the intent. Chairman Slaughter stated the motion needs to be verify specific so the communications between the Board of Elections and Lowndes County staff can verify all requests for reimbursement, before being purchased. Commissioner Orenstein asked if Ms. Cox provided any idea what the cost would be, Mrs. Dukes stated Ms. Cox has asked for a total number of poll workers and part-time employees; Mrs. Dukes stated FICA numbers and additional information would need to be calculated. Motion by Commissioner Orenstein to accept grant funds for the purchase of ballot drop boxes, non-partisan voter education, poll worker recruitment funds, and/or training expenses, polling place rental and cleaning expenses for early voting or Election Day, temporary staffing, and vote-by-mail/absentee voting equipment or general equipment and supplies. Expenditures and reimbursement must be coordinated with finance prior to the funds being expended, Commissioner Marshall second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Foxborough Lift Station Pump, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the proposal in the amount of \$41,217.60, for the purchase of one of the pumps at the Foxborough lift station. Mr. Stalvey stated the replacement is due because of the age of the pumps. Vice Chairman Griner made a motion to purchase a new pump from Xylem, Inc. in the amount of \$41,217.60, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Land Application System (LAS) Expansion Agreement, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the land application system expansion agreement. Mr. Stalvey stated due to growth and increased flow, additional spray fields were needed. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the land application system expansion agreement with Nutter & Associates for \$19,800.00, Vice Chairman Griner second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Firefighter Personnel Request, County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated the county has considered expansion of services to provide an increased response by Lowndes County Fire Rescue. The addition of three fulltime firefighters, one added to each shift at station 10, will provide for two apparatus to respond to each structure fire call. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the firefighter personnel request for the remaining fiscal year at \$128,075.58 and an annual cost of \$170,767.42, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Bid

Drainage Improvements to Brinson Lane and Oak Hill Drive, County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the item stating this bid is for drainage improvements to Brinson Lane and Oak Hill Drive. Mr. Fletcher stated JWA submitted the low bid in the amount of \$34,169.28. Vice Chairman Griner made a motion to approve the request, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.