

BID

Manhole Improvements Project

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated Lowndes County was awarded a Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) loan for lift station and manhole improvements. Mr. Stalvey stated there are approximately 100 manholes in need of repair. Mr. Stalvey stated RPI, Inc. submitted the low bid in the amount \$439,836.00. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the low bidder, RPI, Inc., in the amount of \$439,836.00, Vice Chairman Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

South Lowndes Utilities Building Expansion

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated additional shop space is needed at the Land Application System (LAS). Mr. Stalvey stated that with the current inventory of pumps and generators there is currently not enough space to store these items. Mr. Stalvey stated Kellerman Construction submitted the low bid in the amount of \$386,167.00. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the low bidder, Kellerman Construction, in the amount of \$386,167.00, Vice Chairman Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

REPORTS - County Manager

County Manager, Paige Dukes, thanked Vice Chairman Orenstein for representing Lowndes County at GEFA today. Mrs. Dukes stated a second hose uncoupling will be held Thursday, August 25th at 10:00 a.m. at the Bemiss Road Fire Station. Mrs. Dukes reminded the Commission of the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony being held Friday, September 9th at 10:00 a.m. at Freedom Park. Mrs. Dukes mentioned The Valdosta Fire Department will be hosting a 9/11 Memorial 5k Run in which Lowndes County Fire Rescue will be participating in on Saturday, September 10th. Mrs. Dukes stated the mid-year commission retreat has been confirmed for Friday, November 18th. Mrs. Dukes mentioned the second round of ARPA funding from the state related to water projects to include 20,000 gallon hydro tanks at Creekside and Alapaha, an elevated tank on the northend, Creekside water main extension and an additional loop considering 9.23 miles (westside of the interstate), new wells and Nano-filtration plant on north end, a water main extension on Mcmillan Road to Register Road (4.83 miles), funding for the Lake Alapaha treatment plant and an elevated tank at exit 13. Mrs. Dukes stated there is 400 million dollars available at the state level. Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, gave an update on the sink hole located on Golf Drive in Lake Park. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked the time frame regarding completion, Mr. Stalvey answered close to a month later. Commissioner Wisenbaker asked if the current hole had to be re-excavated, Mr. Stalvey replied no sir.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Orenstein made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Griner second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the regular session meeting at 5:49 p.m.