

Commissioner Marshall nominated Mrs. Garnett to be reappointed. There being no other nominations, Mrs. Garnett was reappointed by acclamation.

Valdosta Lowndes County Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals

County Manager, Paige Dukes presented the item stating the seat currently held by Mr. Tripp Howell will expire on June 30, 2023 and Mr. Howell has expressed a desire to continue to serve. Commissioner Orenstein nominated Mr. Howell for reappointment. There being no other nominations, Mr. Howell was reappointed by acclamation.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Lowndes County Accountability Court Grant Approval and Cash Match

Chairman Slaughter stated Mrs. Fabbri presented the item at yesterday's work session. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the continued funding and cash match of \$25,139.00, as requested, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Annual Contract Renewal with the State of Georgia Department of Corrections

Public Works Director, Robin Cumbus presented the item. Mrs. Cumbus stated this item is for three prison work details, one for the Engineering Department to meet state requirements for storm water and two for Public Works for the maintenance of drainage easements. Commissioner Marshall asked how many individuals the County gets for each detail, Mrs. Cumbus responded, since COVID we have been down to one detail, but according to the contract, we only pay for them when they come out. She further stated, historically, for the past two or three years, we have only paid for one detail. Mrs. Cumbus also stated the annual cost is for three details, just in case they are available. Mrs. Cumbus further stated there are anywhere from five to eight prisoners per detail and there is a lot of work that is completed for the price paid. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the contract renewal and authorize the Chairman to execute the contract, Commissioner Marshall second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Budget Plan for Hotel Motel Proceeds for Fiscal Year 2024

Finance Director, Stephanie Black presented the item. Ms. Black stated following state statute, this is the County Budget Plan for the hotel/motel proceeds for fiscal year 2024 as well as the Conference Center and Tourism Authority Budget Plan for their use to promote tourism, conventions, and trade shows. Ms. Black further stated it was adopted today by the Authority Board. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to adopt the budget plan and authorize the Chairman to sign, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Adoption of Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget

Finance Director, Stephanie Black presented the item. Ms. Black stated following the public hearing on June 20, 2023, this is the operating budget for fiscal year 2024 for the general fund and all other operating funds. Commissioner Griner made a motion to adopt the budget as presented, Commissioner Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Resolution Making Designations Required by OCGA 36-66-5.1(c)

County Planner, JD Dillard presented the item. Mr. Dillard stated the attached resolution that was drafted by the County Attorney's office is to help address specific applicable requirements from state law that go into effect on July 1, 2023 regarding appeals of certain land use decisions and this will be effective until amendments can be adopted in the ULDC at a later date. Commissioner Orenstein