

**Houston County Commissioners Meeting**  
**June 26, 2020**  
**Warner Robins, Georgia**

The Houston County Board of Commissioners met in Special Called session at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 26, 2020, at the Houston County Annex in Warner Robins, Georgia, with Chairman Stalnaker presiding and Commissioners Walker, Thomson, McMichael, and Robinson present. Also present were County Attorney Tom Hall, Director of Administration Barry Holland, Director of Operations Robbie Dunbar, Director of Personnel Ken Carter, Chief Building Inspector Tim Andrews, and Chris Thomson.

County Attorney Tom Hall gave the Invocation.

County Administrator Barry Holland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. McMichael, second by Ms. Robinson and carried unanimously by all to approve the payment of the bills totaling \$1,113,390.01.

Mr. McMichael remarked that the Solid Waste Fund accounts for over half of the bills total.

Mr. Thomson commented that a large part of the Solid Waste Fund bills was for new cell construction.

Mr. Dunbar stated that the cell construction is progressing well but that they did encounter some issues with rock formations.

Chairman Stalnaker gave an overview of the bills paid during the fiscal year for the General Fund (\$26.7M), E911 Fund (\$1.45M), and the Water Fund (\$4.7M) explaining that the total of bills paid does not include, among other things, payroll.

Chairman Stalnaker reminded everyone that the next Board meeting would be held on July 7th at 9:00 a.m. in the Jury Assembly Room at the Perry Courthouse. The Board will resume its normal schedule on the third Tuesday of the month July 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Board Room at the Annex building.

Chairman Stalnaker showed everyone a sample of some inexpensive face shields that the County is considering purchasing for use in various settings.

Mr. Walker urged everyone to be safe and gave kudos to Mr. McMichael and Ms. Robinson for their efforts over the years working on the bills.

Ms. Robinson wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July.

Mr. Thomson wished everyone a happy 4th of July and remarked that he was glad to close the FY20 year.

Mr. McMichael thanked everyone involved for the great job on the FY21 budget and thanked the citizens for continuing to support the SPLOST program. He asked when the tax digest might be adopted.

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Chairman Stalnaker commented that the tax digest would likely be adopted late July or early August. He then commented that today was the last day of the General Assembly session and felt that there may be some positive things coming for local government. He also acknowledged Chris Thomson who was in attendance.

Mr. McMichael expressed his hope that the legislature would not make changes to the HOPE scholarship that might penalize good students. He also mentioned the gambling bill that was being considered.

Chairman Stalnaker commented that the gambling bill had not passed yet and he would not be surprised if they did not carry it over to next year so they could have more debate on the issue. He understood that the intent would be to take a large percentage of the proceeds from the gambling bill and put it toward educational purposes.

Chairman Stalnaker closed the regular portion of the meeting and opened Public Comments.

As there were no comments Chairman Stalnaker closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting and reopened the regular portion.

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Thomson and carried unanimously by all, meeting adjourned.

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Director of Administration

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