

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON MARCH 21ST , 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM IN THE
WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mel Powell	Chairman
Jamie Handley	Commissioner
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Alfonzo Hall	Commissioner
Michael Pomirko	County Manager/Clerk
Toni Sawyer	County Attorney
Charles Futch	EMS/EMA Director
Lucas Allison	Cordele Dispatch

Chairman Mel Powell called the meeting to order 5:35p.m.

Chairman Powell gave the invocation.

All gave the Pledge.

First item of business included the look at a purchase policy for Wilcox County in general. Currently the policy we have in place only covers the County Manager position but does not set a limit with department heads or employees. County Manager Michael Pomirko stated any purchase that match or surpass \$500.00 would be required to get a quote and complete a purchase requisition that will be sent up to the County Manager for review. Once that point is hit the County Manager would issue a purchase order based on each departments budget and if this will drive them over or under budget. After much discussion related to contracts, request for proposal, and bidding out each area the Board made a decision to table the purchase policy for future workshops.

The second item of business was related to FirstNet products and how it could improve our communication for first responders in the county. County Manager Michael Pomirko presented a map that came from EMS/EMA Director Charles Futch. The map showed about a 98% coverage of the entire county and just a few areas it did not work. County Manager Michael Pomirko told the board he just needs the go ahead to get the final quote ready for the April regular meeting. Chairman Mel Powell asked the board how they felt about it which led into Chairman Mel Powell asking County Manager Michael Pomirko to get a final quote from FirstNet for the April regular meeting.

The third item of business was presented by County Manager Michael Pomirko over the Request for Proposal for a new EMS Ambulance that could take up to (36) months once we order. The goal right now is to put everything out for bid and see what respond we get along with the price. From there we could have numbers ready to present in the May regular meeting for a purchase. Commissioner Clay Reid motioned to proceed forward with bidding out the Request for Proposal for a new Ambulance. The motion was second by Commissioner Jamie Handley followed by a unanimous vote from the board.

Commissioners voted to go into executive session for Building security & safety and to consult with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlements, and administrative proceedings. The motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Handley to head into executive session over Building security & safety and to consult with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlements, and administrative proceedings which was second by Commissioner Clay Reid. The board voted unanimously for executive session which began at 6:15p.m.

The Board of Commissioners came out of executive session at 7:37p.m. and return the meeting back in open session. The motion was made by Commissioner Jamie Handley and second by Commissioner Alfonso Hall with a unanimous consent from the board.

Commissioner Jamie Handley made the motion to terminate the Hazard Mitigation Grant related to the Emergency Operation Center that was done in 2018 due to much higher prices related to the project. The motion was second by Commissioner Alfonso Hall with a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to adjourn the meeting followed by a second from Commissioner Jamie Handley. The board voted unanimously and the meeting concluded at 7:38p.m.



Mel Powell, Chairman



Michael Pomirko, County Manager/Clerk