

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.  
IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mel Powell	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Commissioner
Lanier Keene	Commissioner
Jowan Johnson	Vice Chairman
Jamie Handley	Incoming Commissioner
Michael Pomirko	County Manager
Indya Tisdol	County Clerk

Chairman Mel Powell called the meeting to order.

Chairman Mel Powell gave the invocation.

All gave the Pledge.

County Manager, Michael Pomirko, presented the commissioners with information about a possible recreational grant for the county that would be funded by the State of Georgia, if selected. The grant can go up to \$2 million. County Manager, Michael Pomirko, asked the commissioners for their permission to pursue the grant. Chairman, Mel Powell, asked if the county would have to cover a percentage of the grant. County Manager, Michael Pomirko, responded and said that it was not required. Incoming Commissioner Jamie Handley asked if a notice of approval will be confirmed prior to spending any money. County Manager, Michael Pomirko, said that the grant is specifically for rural areas this time. Incoming Commissioner, Jamie Handley, asked what other recreational facilities the county has. County Manager, Michael Pomirko, responded and said that we only have one.

Vice Chairman, Jowan Johnson, motioned for County Manager, Michael Pomirko, to apply for the recreational grant. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

For the next two months, Architect, Glenn Gregory will need engineers to come into the courthouse to scope the area to see what all will need to be done before the elevator project can start. The Schematic project for the next two months will cost about \$64,410.00. The cost of the Elevator itself is quoted at \$150,000 and the South Porch is quoted for \$110,000. Revenue sources for the elevator project will be funded from the American Rescue Plan (\$170,000), SPLOST 2018-2022 (\$160,414.12), and roughly about SPLOST 2022-2024 (\$68,400) which all totals \$398,814.12. The projected cost of the elevator project will be roughly about \$324,410.

County Manager, Michael Pomirko, informed the commissioners that a motion would be needed from the preliminary work in the amount of \$64,410.

There was much discussion about the elevator project.

Commissioner Lanier Keene motioned for the architects to proceed with the preliminary process of the elevator project. Vice Chairman Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Residents at Falcon Circle are requesting speed bumps be placed in the area to prevent accidents and children waiting at bus stops from being in danger. The residents asked for at least two speed bumps be placed on the roads. County Manager, Michael Pomirko, suggested letting the road department go and check out the road to see what may need to be done before making a final decision.

There was much discussion about speed bumps and other areas where they had been placed and residents removing them shortly after.

Commissioner Lanier Keene made a motion to table the conversation until more information is gathered. Vice Chairman Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

County Manager, Michael Pomirko, informed the commissioners that he has to run the proposed budget for 2023 by the 28<sup>th</sup> of September this year so that it runs before the regular monthly meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Commissioner Lanier Keene motioned to accept the proposed budget. Vice Chairman Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

With there being no further business, Vice Chairman, Jowan Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Mel Powell Mel Powell, Chairman

Indya Tisdol Indya Tisdol, County Clerk