

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION AGENDA
TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2019 AT 6:00 PM

Commissioners in Attendance	Neal Bennett, Chairman Harold Rozier, District 1 Mike Streat, District 2 David Lowman, District 4
Commissioners Not in Attendance	Randy Dixon, District 3
Staff in Attendance	Franklin Rozier, County Attorney Jason Rubenbauer, County Manager Amy Hitt, County Clerk

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Mike Streat gave an invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

1. Request to approve of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting June 4, 2019
 - b. Work Session June 25, 2019

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to approve the Regular meeting minutes from June 4, 2019 and the work session minutes from June 25, 2019. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

2. Request to approve the Chairman to sign off on name change on bonds with Southern Ionics, Inc. to Southern Ionics Minerals, LLC. Matt Carter, IDBA Director shared that the document is the same as previously approved but that the name of the company changed and that the bonds need to be changed to reflect the correct name. Chairman Bennett shared that the attorney for the IDBA as well as Franklin Rozier have reviewed the document.

Commissioner Harold Rozier made a motion to approve the revised bond documents to make the name change from Southern Ionics, Inc. to Southern Ionics Minerals, LLC. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

3. County Manager Report – Jason Rubenbauer shared the financials are in pretty good shape. The Fire department has been making some repairs on pumpers that were discovered during testing, make note that the payouts at the end of the year will be up significantly due to better recordkeeping. The Road department has some equipment

repairs happening and there are some pipe repairs happening. Billy Flynn is working to analyze the needs of the department. The traffic light at County Farm Rd is moving along and between July 15-18 the actual light will be installed and the plan is to turn the light on July 25, 2019. The road will be back open to use tomorrow. The Pine Lake Rd Dam project is complete and we are awaiting the remainder of the monies that will be coming from GEMA. Working to set up a meeting with the citizens on Cathleen Dr. Plans for repairs at Dean Still are being worked on. The new John Deere grader in in and running and the CAT should be on site next week. The Recreation department reports the 10U Boys were the District 2, Class C winners and the State runner up. The Courthouse painting has begun and the changing of the entrance doors at the Library will begin tomorrow. The Code department reports in June there were 43 calls, 106 permits issued. The agreement with Republic is in effect, the rate is \$15.88 per month and the convenience center is closed.

4. Request to approve schedule of meeting dates for 2019 Millage and 2020 Budget Adoption.

Millage Adoption Calendar – All at NFC

August 6, 2019 at 9 AM - Public Hearing Millage (Regular Meeting night)

August 6, 2019 at 5:30 PM – Public Hearing Millage (Regular Meeting night)

August 22, 2019 at 6 PM – Public Hearing Millage (Called Meeting)

August 22, 2019 at 6:15 PM – Called Meeting Adoption of Millage

2020 Budget Adoption Calendar

July 30, 2019 at 6 PM – Workshop on 2020 Budget at NFC (Scheduled Work Session)

August 16, 2019 at 8 AM – Workshop on 2020 Budget at Nichols St (Special Called meeting)

September 24, 2019 at 6 PM – Public Hearing on 2020 Budget at NFC(Scheduled Work Session)

October 1, 2019 at 6PM – Adoption of 2020 Budget at NFC (Regular meeting night)

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to approve the presented calendar of meetings.

Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

5. Request to approve proposal for server upgrade at Nichols Street – to combine the 2 servers currently being used into one. Jason Rubebauer shared that the new server cost will be \$8050.50.

Commissioner Harold Rozier made a motion to approve the purchase of the new server for \$8050.50. Commissioner Mike Streat seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

6. Request to approve recommendation for bid award to Underground Excavating on West Horseshoe Rd wing wall replacement project. Chairman Bennett stated that this project came it with a bid price of \$45,711.00.

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to award the bid for the West Horseshoe Rd wing wall replacement project to Underground Excavating for \$45,711.00. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

7. Request to rebid Laura Chapel Road repair with different specs due to the bids coming in over budget. Chairman Bennett request that we work with T R Long to rebid this project due to the cost of the project being so much higher than the project budget.

Commissioner David Lowman made a motion to rebid the Laura Chapel Road repairs with different specs working with TR Long Engineering. Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

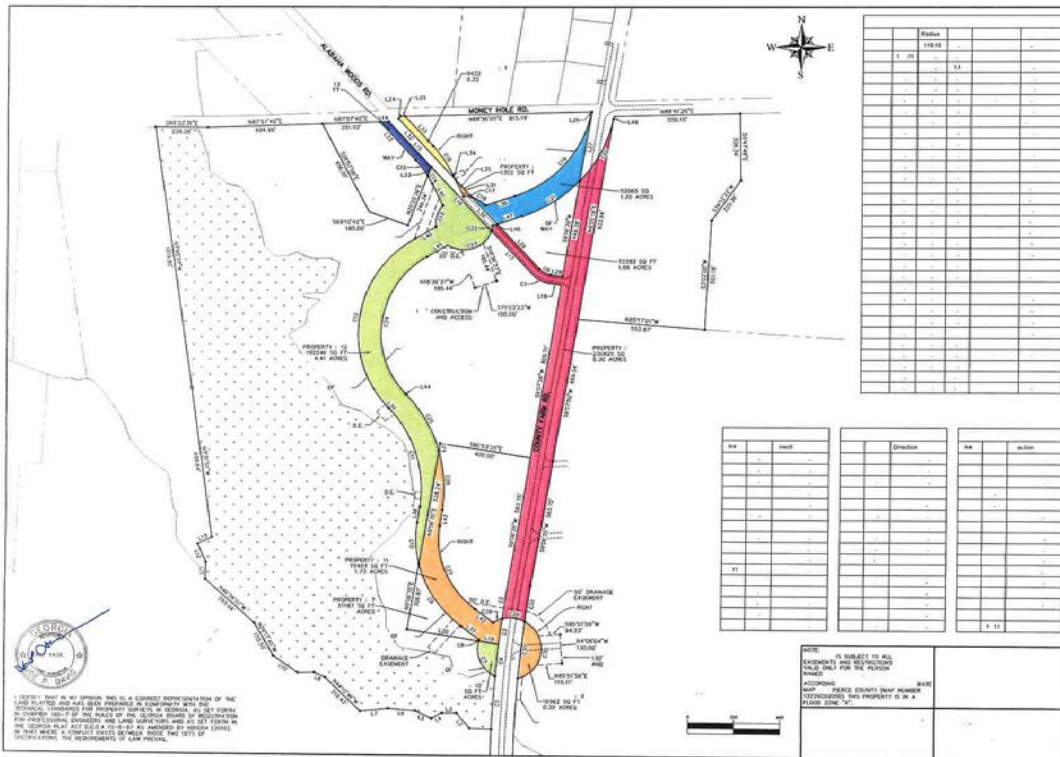
8. Request to approve 4% COLA for all employees to be split and have a 2% effective July 6, 2019 and 2% effective January 4, 2020. (these are payroll week start dates)

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to approve a % COLA for all employees to be split and have a 2% effective July 6, 2019 and 2% effective January 4, 2020. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

9. Request approval to pay invoice from CSX for repairs to crossing on Sandy Bottom Road.

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to table this item. Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

10. Request to officially abandon a portion of County Farm Rd and Alabaha Woods Rd to complete the realignment project. The Chairman shared that this is the realignment of County Farm Road and requires that a new plat be drawn to show the new road and the portion to be closed. This is just a continuation of the process that was started a couple years ago. There is 5.3 acres of land affected by this realignment. See attached plat.



Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to close the portion of the road in red for the realignment of County Farm Road. Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

- 11. Request to approve moving forward with RFP for construction of two new fire stations, Bearville & Southside.

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to put out an RFP for the construction of two new fire stations, Bearville and Southside. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

- 12. Request to move forward with seeking lease purchase of transfer truck for the Road Department state contract pricing.

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to move forward is seeking lease purchase information for a transfer truck for the road department with state contract pricing. Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

- 13. Request to approve plan for transportation for Seniors. Chairman Bennett shared that we have been trying for a while to find an answer to the transportation issues that the

Senior Center faces and when looking at several options after talking to MIDS, Inc it looks like working with Pierce Transit is the best option. The will provide service 1.5 days a month for the year at \$38 per hour per bus. This will be the expense the County will pay for the services. Karen Herndon shared that she talked with the Seniors about this option and they are all on board. They are grateful for getting a solution. Commissioner Lowman thanked the Seniors for working with us to find a solution and think outside the box. Commissioner Streat made note that MIDS is better equipped to take care of the Seniors that we are.

Commissioner David Lowman made a motion to move forward with the plan to pay MIDS \$38.00 per hour per bus for up to 1.5 days a month of transportation service for the Seniors. Commissioner Harold Rozier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

14. Request to approve updated Pierce County Transit Title VI Plan with GDOT new requirements to remain in compliance.

Commissioner David Lowman made a motion to approve the updated Title VI Plan. Commissioner Mike Streat seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to enter into closed session at 6:34 PM and invite Matt Carter, Bobby Tippins, Steven Paul and Mayor Kevin Grissom. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

Commissioner Mike Streat made a motion to go back to regular session at 7:18 PM. Commissioner David Lowman seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion approved.

15. Real Estate – no action taken

ADJOURN

Chairman Bennett adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM.