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Application #2328	John Jackson	Real Estate Appraisal
Application #2329	Yeong-Gyun Moon	Software (IT)
Application #2330	Mark & Minnie Webling	Orthopedic Build-up and Shoe Repair
Application #2331	Sean and Catherine Merchant	Low Voltage Cable Installation
Application #2332	Roberto Munda	Industrial Hygiene & Occupational Safety Cons.
Application #2333	Darron Crozier	Real Estate and Construction
Application #2335	Sarah Rodriguez	Photography and Graphic Design
Application #2336	Dennis & Crystal Stewart	Custom Window Covering and Interior Design
Application #2337	Genny Brand	Women's Clothing and Jewelry
Application #2338	Shane & Lynn Lamontagne	Construction

Mr. Andrews gave the applicants approved for a home occupation instruction on the next step of the process which is obtaining their occupational business license from the Commissioner's office.

County Attorney Tom Hall made a blanket statement for the benefit of all applicants for Special Exceptions for home occupations that even if the Board of Commissioners approves an application, neighborhood covenants may still impose certain restrictions upon or against home occupation businesses. These restrictive covenants are superior to any action taken by the Board of Commissioners. The actions taken by the Board will not change any provision within the covenant that prohibits any commercial or business activity.

Ms. Robinson presented a request annexation from the City of Warner Robins.

Motion by Ms. Robinson, second by Mr. Thomson and carried unanimously by all to concur with a City of Warner Robins annexation request for the property located at Butten Drive and HWY. 96 south of Chilton Place known as Tax Parcel 000770 005000 for 6.61 acres and Tax Parcel 00077D 209000 for 2.62 acres with the stipulation that the water customer be retained by Houston County unless a multi-unit planned development is proposed by the developer.

Chairman Stalnaker stated that properties were possibly the future site of the Coliseum Hospital's new urgent care facility.

Applicant Oliver Bateman, representing NK Properties East, LLC has withdrawn a request for annexation through the City of Warner Robins, as such there was no action required.

Mr. Thomson presented a request for abandonment of a right of way designated as Second Street located south of Mulberry Street with in Elko GA.

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

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The applicant was present with nothing further to add. There was no opposition.

There being no comments Chairman Stalnaker closed the Public Hearing and opened the regular meeting

Motion by Mr. Thomson, second by Mr. McMichael and carried unanimously by all to approve the Board of Commissioners signing the Resolution approving the abandonment of the unpaved section of the right-of-way designated as Second Street located south of Mulberry Street within Elko, Georgia as requested by NR Reinvestments, LLC; and for Chairman Stalnaker signing the Deeds conveying the abandoned section of the right-of-way to the adjoining property owners NR Reinvestments, LLC and James Ford.

Mr. Thomson presented a request for approval of a grant application.

Motion by Mr. Thomson, second by Ms. Robinson and carried unanimously by all to authorize Chairman Stalnaker and Chief Stoner signing all documents necessary to apply for the 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$721,343.66 which will provide funding for the replacement of 85 SCBA (Air Packs) and related cylinders, masks and accessories. Federal funding will cover 90% of the cost with the County matching 10% or \$72,134.37.

Chairman Stalnaker clarified that although the County is not guaranteed award of these funds that it was a good possibility that our application would be looked upon favorably.

Mr. McMichael presented a request to correct the minutes to reflect the actual price of the truck approved for purchase at the October 1, 2019 meeting.

Motion by Mr. McMichael, second by Mr. Thomson and carried unanimously by all to approve the amendment of the minutes of the October 1, 2019 meeting to reflect the actual purchase price of \$122,681 for one new 2021 Freightliner 114SD model tandem dump truck from Middle Georgia Freightliner for use in the Roads Department.

Motion by Mr. McMichael, second by Ms. Robinson and carried unanimously by all to approve the payment of the bills totaling \$3,615,752.06.

Chairman Stalnaker closed the regular meeting and opened Public Comments.

Ellen Palmer introduced herself as the new Perry Chamber of Commerce President and CEO stating that there were lots of exciting events going on in Perry including the upcoming 32nd annual Dogwood Festival on April 18th and 19th.

There being no further comments Chairman Stalnaker closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting and opened Commissioners Comments.

Chairman Stalnaker read just a few of the many 'Thank You' notes that were given to Mr. McMichael and Mr. Thomson at the conclusion of the last Eggs & Issues breakfast event held by the Robins Regional Chamber during which the program featured both of their service to the County during their long tenures as Commissioners. He also recognized Mark Baker for his birthday March 4th, Ms. Robinson for her birthday on March 24th and Mr. Wood as his birthday is in the month of March as well.

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Mr. Walker thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. McMichael remarked that he was honored by the Chamber and their recognition of his service to the County.

Mr. Thomson thanked everyone for coming.

Motion by Mr. McMichael, second by Mr. Thomson and carried unanimously by all to enter into Executive Session for Attorney / Client matters per O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1) and for Real Estate Matters per O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1).

Upon re-entering the regular meeting Chairman Stalnaker reiterated that there would be no action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. McMichael, second by Mr. Walker and carried unanimously by all, meeting adjourned.

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Barry Holland  
Director of Administration

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF HOUSTON

**AFFIDAVIT OF PRESIDING OFFICER**

Tommy Stalnaker, Chairman of the Houston County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge and belief:

1.

The Houston County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on Mach 3, 2020.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into executive session.

3.

The executive session was called to order at 10:09 a.m.

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meeting law:

Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officers or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2) and (insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential)

Discussion or voting on:

Authorizing a settlement as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(A);

Authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(B);

Authorizing an appraisal as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(C);

Entering a contract for the purchase, disposal of, or lease of property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(D);

Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);

Interviewing candidates for executive positions as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);

Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law):  
\_\_\_\_\_ as provided in (insert the citation to the legal authority exempting the topic) \_\_\_\_\_.

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5.

\_\_\_\_\_ During the course of the closed session devoted to exempt topics, an incidental remark regarding a non-exempt topic or an attempt to discuss a non-exempt topic was made.

\_\_\_\_\_ The attempt was immediately ruled out of order and attempts to discuss same ceased immediately.

\_\_\_\_\_ The attempt was immediately ruled out of order. However, the comments did not cease, so the closed/executive session was immediately adjourned without discussion or action being taken regarding any non-exempt topic.

6.

Minutes were taken of this meeting and will be filed and held for in camera inspection only.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2020.

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Tommy Stalnaker, Chairman  
Houston County Board of

Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
March, 2020.

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Notary Public  
My commission expires:

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