

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD MONDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING #2, 214 W. KING STREET**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

The Chairman called the meeting to order.  
Pledge of allegiance to the Flag  
Roll call to determine quorum

**The following members were present:**

Mike Babb, Chairman  
Harold Brooker, Vice Chairman  
Lynn Laughter, Member  
Barry W. Robbins, Member  
Roger Crossen, Member

**Others Present:**

Mark Gibson, County Administrator  
Department Heads  
Press  
Citizens

**Motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Crossen and seconded by Commissioner Brooker. Approval of the agenda was unanimous.**

**FOR CONSIDERATION:**

- 1. IT – Security Hardware Bid:** Motion was made by Commissioner Brooker and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve the low bid of \$9,550.00 from G-Tech. In an effort to secure access to County Buildings the IT Department published an RFP requesting HID Proximity Readers to replace older Barcode readers. Proximity readers are a more secure technology. They are also more reliable and less problematic than a barcode reader. The motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioners Laughter, Brooker, Crossen and Robbins in agreement.
- 2. Engineering – Grading Plan for Carbondale Industrial Site 6:** Motion was made by Commissioner Crossen and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to ratify the proposal by Houston Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$40,000.000 to provide grading, erosion control, and stormwater management plans for a 26 – 40 acre site in Carbondale Business Park. The motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioners Robbins, Crossen, Laughter and Brooker in agreement.
- 3. Public Works – Tractor Purchase:** Motion was made by Commissioner Brooker and seconded by Commissioner Crossen to approve the purchase of a Used Tractor/Boom Mower from Adams Equipment in the amount of \$95,000.00. Public Works Director Dewayne Hunt noted that the funds will come out of the Public Works Budget. The motion was approved 3-1, with Commissioners Robbins, Crossen and Brooker in agreement. Commissioner Laughter was in dissent.
- 4. Sheriff's Office – License Plate Reader:** Motion was made by Commissioner Crossen and seconded by Commissioner Brooker to approve the low bid \$18,666.00 for a Mobile License Plate Reader System from Synergistic Software. It is the recommendation of the Sheriff's Office to accept the low bid from Synergistic Software. The motion was approved 3-1, with Commissioner Crossen, Brooker and Laughter in agreement. Commissioner Robbins was in dissent.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Harold Groover who resides in unincorporated Whitfield County came before the Board to voice his concern about the purchases made during tonight's special called meeting.

There were no more comments.

**ADJOURN:** Unanimous

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MIKE BABB, CHAIRMAN  
WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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BLANCA CARDONA, COUNTY CLERK

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