

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CALLED WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD MONDAY JUNE 27, 2016, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING #1, 301 W. CRAWFORD STREET**

**SPECIAL CALLED WORK SESSION**

The Chairman called the work session to order.

**The following members were present:**

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

**Others Present:**

Mark Gibson, County Administrator  
Robert Smalley, County Attorney  
Department Heads  
Press

**Work Session:**

Public Works Director Dewayne Hunt presented the Board with a proposal for professional services from Southeastern Engineering, Inc., for improvements/culvert replacements with a modular bridge system for Scott Road, East Nance Springs Road and Lake Francis Road, the proposal includes Geotechnical Explorations for bridge foundation, plan production and coordination, contract documents, advertisement, bid support and awarding contract, and construction engineering and Inspections

County Administrator Mark Gibson noted that Whitfield County Board of Education has asked for a Fiber optic easement, County Attorney Robert Smalley and Mark Gibson will get in contact with the School Board to work on an easement agreement to present to the Board

Dewayne Hunt also advised the Board of Seaton Loop Bridge that has been closed by GDOT, he recommended to close and abandon the road in place of repairing the bridge

EMS- Mark Gibson spoke about the service levels and reported timed calls for responding ambulances with Hamilton Emergency Medical Center

Old health department building – Mark Gibson noted that they will be placing the Old Health department for bid

House on county-owned south park property – Mark Gibson noted that they will look into bidding out the houses that were acquired with the NSP grants

Planning commission appointment – Mark Gibson asked the Board if they had any suggestions for appointing a member to the Dalton-Whitfield Planning Commission

GIS under engineering – Mark Gibson noted that the IT and Engineering Director have asked to move the GIS department under Engineering – the Board is in favor of this suggestion

SPLOST fire station property acquisition – Mark Gibson noted that they have found and are in talks with the Town of Cohutta in purchasing property for a new fire station

SPLOST – pay-go project funds and update – Mark Gibson presented the Board with updated information as of April 2016

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Mark Gibson noted that the Sheriff's office would like to purchase a gun safe for the courthouse the Board was in favor

The Board discussed looking into finding an office for the Game Warden

The work session was adjourned.

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MIKE BABB, CHAIRMAN  
WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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BLANCA CARDONA, COUNTY CLERK

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