

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
2014-2015 BUDGET & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POSITIONS  
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) – 5 PM CT  
JULY 28, 2014**

**PRESENT AND ACTING:**

**COMMISSIONERS:**

**THOMAS G. FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN  
WOODROW "LEE" SHELTON, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
DARRELL MCDOUGALD  
MARION "LEE LEE" BROWN**

**CARLA HAND, CLERK OF COURT AND COUNTY COMPTROLLER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Flowers at 5:00 p.m., CT. Commissioner Brown led the Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman stated the purpose of this workshop was for the Board to openly discuss the 2014-2015 Proposed Budget including questions to Constitutional Officers and Department Heads regarding their proposed budgets.

**2014-2015 Proposed Budget**

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed budget and asked questions regarding specific line items. There were questions by Commissioner Brown specific to the daily cost of opening and closing Sam Atkins Park. The Chairman directed Mr. Wood, Director of Operations, to get a quote for an electronic gate opener at Sam Atkins Park.

Mr. Wood, stated he may be able to reduce the 2014-2015 spraying budget by \$10,000 by purchasing chemicals from the 2013-2014 remaining budget.

The Chairman asked about the Riverway South budget request of \$5,000. It was noted this is the first time Riverway South has been included in the proposed budget.

The Chairman asked why the Health Department budget was increased and it was noted fuel for mosquito spraying is an estimate based on current year usage; this is the reason for the increase.

The Chairman asked whether the Lobbyist helped Calhoun County; there was no affirmative answer.

The Chairman asked Kim Tanner, Calhoun County Sheriff's Office, why their repair and maintenance budget increased. Ms. Tanner stated more funds are necessary to pay for ongoing repairs and maintenance.

The Chairman inquired about the equipment budgeted by Emergency Management.

The Chairman closed the 2014-2015 proposed budget discussion.

**Emergency Management Position(s)**

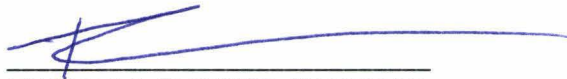
The Emergency Management Director reported the temporary position necessary for helping with the DR 4177 FEMA declared disaster will be 100% funded through FEMA including FICA, Medicare, Retirement, and Unemployment Compensation. The Director stated the anticipated temporary position will be scheduled to work 25 hours per week.

Commissioner McDougald asked the Board to reconsider hiring CDR MAGUIRE to help with the FEMA disaster.

**Riparian County Stakeholders Coalition (RCSC)-Chad Taylor**

Mr. Taylor with RCSC spoke to the Board about the RCSC purpose and goal and provided the Board with a handout (included in the Budget Request for 2014-2015). The Board had no questions for Mr. Taylor

The workshop adjourned at 5:55 pm CT.

  
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THOMAS G. FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
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CARLA A. HAND, CLERK