MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mel Powell

Chairman

Alfonza Hall

Commissioner

Jamie Handley

Commissioner

Clay Reid

Commissioner

Michael Pomirko

County Manager

Callie Vandegrift

County Clerk

Toni Sawyer

County Attorney

Lucas Allison

Cordele Dispatch

Chairman Mel Powell called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Lucas Allison gave the invocation.

All gave the pledge.

Reappointment Members (WIOA Board) Mel Powell & Clay Reid – 3 year term 2026

Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to reappoint Chairman Powell and Commissioner

Clay Reid. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded and this carried unanimously.

Resolution for Sheriff Special Election-Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

County Attorney Toni Sawyer explained that this special election is being held to fill the rest of Sheriff Robert Rodger's term which ends on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The special election will be held November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and will have a polarity ballot, which means whoever receives a vote of 50.1% will become the new Sheriff. If one candidate does not receive more 50.1% or more then there will be a runoff election held. The qualifying date for this election is September 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> and a notice will be sent to the Cordele dispatch two weeks before. The qualifying fee is set at \$562.91. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to accept the qualifying dates and fees for the special election. Commissioner Jamie Handley seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

Resolution for SPLOST Election-Tuesday, November 7th, 2023

County Attorney Toni Sawyer explained that the current SPLOST will expire in March 2024.

The new SPLOST will start collecting in April 2024 with the approved projects. Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to accept the resolution for the new SPLOST election.

Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded this motion and it carried unanimously.

Adopt Tentative FY24 Budgets. Run in Cordele Dispatch 09/20/23

There will be a budget worksheet that shows the dates we will advertise and the public hearing date for the budget will be October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00P.M. This public hearing will be open to the public. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to tentatively adopt the FY24 budget. Commissioner Jamie Handley seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

Mental Health Resolution- ACCG- Adopt in October meeting- No action needed

County Manager Michael Pomirko states that this resolution purpose is to put more of an

emphasis on mental health in Georgia. This resolution will be adopted in the October meeting.

Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to adjourn at 6:02. Commissioner Clay Reid

seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

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