

THE BULLOCK COUNTY COMMISSION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

9:00 A.M.

Call of Roll to Establish Quorum: All members present, namely: Chairman Alonza Ellis, Jr., District One Commissioner Don Larkins, District Two Commissioner John L. Adams, District Three Commissioner John G. McGowan, District Four Solomon Marlow and County Administrator Patrick D. Smith, who recorded the minutes; County Attorney John Waters was also present. A quorum was established.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was done by Commissioner Adams.

On a motion from Commissioner McGowan, seconded by Commissioner Larkins to approve the agenda. All in favor; motion carried.

Commissioner Marlow called the meeting to get an update regarding the status of the Bullock County Commission's Covid-19 funds as well as any additional funding through the Black Belt Community Foundation COVID Access Program.

County Administrator Patrick D. Smith gave an update on the funds that were spent and reimbursed from the State of Alabama COVID Relief Office.

EMA Director Ray Scott also gave an update on the inventory of COVID supplies and equipment. He also stated the course of action that needs to happen through the end of the year. Scott further stated that there needs to be an area to secure and hold all of the COVID stockpiled inventory. EMA Scott also recommends removing the old computer equipment and supplies from the Richard Stone Building storage area and place on govdeals.com.

EMA Scott also stated that the county should have had a COVID Committee established during this COVID pandemic. On a motion from Commissioner Marlow, seconded by Commissioner McGowan to establish a Bullock County COVID Committee. All in favor; motion carried.

The commission also decided to name the individuals that will sit on the COVID Committee. The COVID Committee will consist of three (3) members; they are as follows: Commissioner Solomon Marlow who will serve as Chairman of the Committee, Commissioner John McGowan and EMA Director Ray Scott. On a motion from Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Larkins to approve the above individuals that will sit on the COVID Committee. All in favor; motion carried.

The commission agreed to commit into a contract with the Black Belt Community Foundation COVID Access Program if the county should need those resources. On a motion from Commissioner Marlow, seconded by Commissioner Adams to allow the commission to enter into a contract with the Black Belt Community Foundation COVID Access Program should the county need those resources. All in favor; motion carried.

The commission discussed the courthouse closure. Currently, the commission had agreed to continue the courthouse closure until October 6, 2020. However, County Attorney stated that the county needs to establish another date beyond November 2020. EMA Director Scott stated that we need to remain closed due to the COVID increase throughout the State and within the county of Bullock. Commissioner Adams suggested that due to COVID, the courthouse should remain closed until further notice. On a motion from Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner McGowan to close the courthouse until further notice. All in favor; motion carried.

On a motion from Commissioner Larkins, seconded by Commissioner Adams to adjourn the special called meeting. All in favor; motion carried.