

**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2020
MINUTES**

Chairman Tate called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. as provided for in the Notice of Special Meeting of the Macon County Board of Commissioners, a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 1)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes. All of the Board Members, with the exception of Commissioner Higdon, County Manager Derek Roland and Interim County Attorney Kim Carpenter were physically present. Deputy Clerk Mike Decker and Finance Director Lori Carpenter viewed the meeting via computer livestream. Also present were members of the news media.

APPOINTMENT EXTENSION OF INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY: Following a recommendation by Chairman Tate and a brief explanation by Mr. Roland, upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Shields, the board voted 4-0 to extend the appointment of Interim County Attorney Kim Carpenter – which was scheduled to expire on December 31, 2020 -- until such time as a full-time county attorney is selected.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED RESOLUTION AND NOTICE FOR UPSET BIDS: Kim Carpenter explained the need for the board to consider a resolution authorizing the upset bid process as it relates to an offer from Edgar B. Shope to purchase a two-acre parcel known as the old county garage property. Following brief discussion, and upon a motion by Commissioner Shields, seconded by Commissioner Beale, the board voted 4-0 to approve a “Resolution Authorizing Upset Bid Process,” a copy of which is attached **(Attachment 2)** and is hereby made a part of these minutes. Upon a motion by Commissioner Beale, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted 4-0 to authorize Mr. Roland to advertise notice of the proposed sale and upset bid process.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Shields, at 6:05 p.m., the board voted 4-0 to go into closed session as allowed under NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) for the purpose of discussing personnel. Chairman Tate pointed out that no action was expected following the closed session. **NOTE:** Commissioner Higdon joined the meeting during the closed session. At 8:30 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded

by Commissioner Shields, the board voted unanimously to come out of closed session and return to open session. No action was taken.

ADJOURN: With no other business, at 8:30 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Higdon, seconded by Commissioner Young, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Derek Roland
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

Jim Tate
Board Chairman