



Joint Services Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Caucus Room, 12 East 4th Ave. 8:30 AM

STAFF PRESENT: Wright Bagby, *Chair, Floyd County Board of Commissioners*
Sundai Stevenson, *Mayor, Rome City Commission*
Allison Watters, *Vice Chair, Floyd County Board of Commissioners*
Mark Cochran, *Mayor Pro Tem, Rome City Commission*
Jamie McCord, *County Manager*
Sammy Rich, *City Manager*
Erin Elrod, *County Clerk*
Meredith Ulmer, *Assistant City Manager*
Bruce Ivey, *Public Utilities Division Director*
Ryan Davis, *Facilities Management*
Hollis Barton, *Assistant County Clerk*

OTHERS PRESENT: John Bailey, Rome News-Tribune

- I. Welcome** — Floyd County Chair, Wright Bagby
- II. Approval of the December 7, 2021 Minutes** — Approved by common consent.
- III. Redmond Trail Update** — Mr. McCord updated the Committee on Redmond Trail. Stating the Avenue A pump station was accessed in some cases daily by the City which was a critical functioning point of the water system. Stated they have to access a different road currently. Trail is 9 ft. higher than the service engine, have a change order that they anticipate on approving at the next Commission meeting. Mr. Ivey then gave an update on the bridges surrounding the area.
- IV. Wholesale Water Agreement and Water Update** — Mr. McCord stated after their meeting in early November, they have been attempting to coordinate pumps for additional purchase for Bells Ferry, where Rome has plenty of water and we would need to balance out our agreement with Calhoun, where we would be able to purchase from Rome. Mr. McCord stated he believes the details have been worked out and everything should be finalized by December. Mr. McCord stated he should be receiving the report today and plans to continue working together to get an agreement in place this year that

meets everyone's needs. City Manager stated they have not yet held their first Water and Sewer Committee yet but this would be on their upcoming agenda.

- V. **Myra H. Relocation** — Mr. McCord stated the boat is fully restored and ready and is still being stored at GE which he thanked them for. Stated Miller Crane is lined up for later this month and will coordinate later this month to get it onto Ridge Ferry.
- VI. **LOST** — Mr. McCord stated we have had the same LOST split since 2002, did have a little bit of population growth overall with the exception of Cave Spring, stated he had a schedule of January – March would be a verify/qualify status, verify LOST reduction on property tax bills, stated they need to notify the Department of Revenue before July 01, and by December 30, 2022 they would have to give notice to the Department of Revenue. Stated the goal of this committee is to come to an agreement and would like to get everything resolved sooner rather than later. Chair Bagby stated he felt it would be best for County, City, and Cave Spring management to get together and discuss their options.
- VII. **Elections Update** — Mr. McCord presented the plans to the Committee highlighting stations that would be utilized during the elections and staff. Stated things were moving quickly. Stated they had been going over the applications for the Elections Supervisor. Added there were about nine (9) entities with Elections positions open right now. Vice Chair Watters stated she appreciated the hard work that Mr. Davis had put into the project and appreciated the joint effort with the Health Department to get this project completed.
- VIII. **SPLOST Signs** — Mr. McCord presented a mock sign from Assistant County Clerk Amy Dawkins to display at sites that had been paid for with SPLOST dollars. County Clerk Erin Elrod stated they also plan to have on the website being able to go by chronological order and see what all has been complete by SPLOST projects.
- IX. **Other Business**
- X. **Adjourn** — There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.