Candler County Board of Commissioners Monday, March 3, 2025 5:00 p.m.

The following is a summary of the subjects acted on during the Monday, March 3, 2025 meeting (Summary of an open meeting in compliance with O.C.G.A. §50-14-1 (2).

Chairman Brad Jones presided with Vice-Chairman Blake Hendrix, Commissioners David Morales, Jonathan Williamson and Tre' Ross in attendance. Also attending were County Administrator Bryan Aasheim, County Clerk Kellie Lank and County Attorney Kendall Gross and Assistant Attorney Cindy Delgado Ballew. The Metter Advertiser was notified of the meeting, Taylor Crosby was present.

Guests attending this meeting included: Candler County Sheriff, John Miles; Captain and EMA Director, Justin Wells; Candler County Public Works Superintendent, Jerry Lanier; Candler County Landfill Manager, Robert Hendrix; Metter-Candler Recreation Department Director, Coach Mike Robins; Candler County Board of Commissioners Payroll/HR Clerk, Jessica Gonzalez; Arlene Gibson, Curtis and Fronnie Barlow.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance -

Vice-Chairman Hendrix delivered the invocation and Chairman Jones led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

3. Approval of Agenda

Administrator Aasheim requested the agenda be amended and add the following items:

- 9. New Business
 - f. Consideration of a proposal from CAT/Yancey for a 12-month, extended warranty on a CAT140 motor grader (SN EB200244) with 6,372 hours at a cost of \$6,680.00 to cover powertrain and hydraulics (parts & labor)
 - g. Consideration of an appointment to the SDS Fire Committee for the FY26 budget year

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Williamson provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

4. Department Reports

a. Metter Fire Department –City of Metter Fire Chief, Jason Douglas-(Exhibit A) Chief Douglas provided the February 2025 response report. However, he was unable to be present at this meeting to due to an emergency.

b. Recreation – Metter-Candler County recreation Department Director, Mike Robins-Coach Robins thanked the Board for allowing him to present first and reported on the recent registration for youth baseball, which may fall short of 300 due to players joining travel baseball and many relocating. He discussed team organization and park repairs, noting that fences and the batting cage are completed, while lighting repairs on fields 3 and 6 are still in progress. Opening Day is scheduled for March 29th at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Ross and Morales invited to throw the first pitch, along with Chairman Jones.

Chairman Jones asked about the league's declining numbers, and Coach Robins explained that older players prefer travel ball over recreational leagues. To accommodate 12U players, he plans to schedule games with other counties. Attorney Gross inquired about financial barriers to participation, and Coach Robins assured him that economic hardship was not the main issue, noting past sponsorships for players. Attorney Gross offered to sponsor children again this season.

Chairman Jones provided updates on lighting repairs, stating that Riley Brown Electrical is handling installations, with work scheduled for Thursday, weather permitting. He also asked about Wi-Fi availability, to which Coach Robins responded that it is available in the Strickland building but not in his office.

- c. EMS Candler County EMS Director, Xavier Winkler- (Exhibit B) Director Winkler was not present at this meeting. However, he provided the February 2025 trip report.
- d. Roads & Bridges Candler County Public Works Superintendent, Jerry Lanier-Superintendent Lanier reported that operations have been running smoothly, except for a recent breakdown of the ditcher due to a DEF sensor issue, which Yancey has since repaired. He mentioned that he could have used it last week but accepted the situation as it is. He then asked the Commissioners if there were any repairs they needed.

Administrator Aasheim brought up an agenda item regarding an extended warranty for a motor grader with 6,300 hours and inquired about the hours on other equipment. Superintendent Lanier confirmed that the other motor graders and the ditcher were also close on hours. A discussion followed about the length of leases and usage hours for future agreements, with concerns about ensuring sufficient lease terms or more operating hours.

Commissioner Williamson inquired about repairs to the pond dam on Chevy Lane, while Chairman Jones requested arrangements for the detail crew to assist with cleaning the recreation department before Opening Day.

e. Solid Waste – Candler County Landfill Manager, Robert Hendrix- Mr. Hendrix updated the Board on the landfill, noting that poly cart and trash complaint calls have decreased as the driver has become more familiar with the route. The methane monitoring machine has been delivered, installed, and is functioning properly, as recommended by HHNT for

safety. Additionally, the clay project at the landfill is about halfway complete, with work on the back finished and efforts now shifting to the sides.

- **f. Assessor's Office** The report was received late, and not available in time for the meeting. However, Administrator Aasheim stated he would forward it to the Commissioners.
- g. Sheriff's Office Sheriff's Office, Captain Justin Wells approached the Board to give an update on Operation Cold Snap. (Exhibit C)

***Attorney Gross excused himself from the meeting at 5:21 p.m. ***

Captain Wells continued to explain the purpose of Operation Cold Snap. The Sheriff's Office allocated four hours per day for 28 days, off-duty deputies could sign up to work on-duty dedicated traffic enforcement looking for super-speeders, DUIs and severe violators. No reduction of coverage, no reduction in response time, no additional resources used to perform this experiment. It was a resounding success. Seizures of drugs, stollen guns, wanted fugitives come through the County. So typically, last year we had an average of 55 citations. Last month, including Operation Cold Snap, they issued 347 severe traffic violation citations. That is a 530% increase. This data shows that there is a definite need for dedicated traffic enforcement.

So, taking this data, Captain Wells stated, we have applied for a grant with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to continue a traffic enforcement operation that dedicate 100 hours a month to traffic enforcement as well as speed detection equipment. We have applied. I do not know if we will get it, but the need is there. Other County's have traffic duty deputies and somehow seem to find a way to be self-sustained. Administrator Aasheim requested data that details numbers that were from interstate and county highways/roads. Commissioner Williamson and Captain Wells discussed the patrol units have license plat readers inside and scan hundreds of tags per day. Discussion concluded on this topic, and Captain Wells notified Attorney Gross so he could return to the meeting.

***Attorney Gross rejoined the meeting at 5:27 p.m. ***

Chairman Jones introduced Mrs. Jessica Gonzalez to the Board of Commissioners as the newest County Commissioners Office employee. Mrs. Gonzalez joined the administrative staff on February 24, 2025. He then thanked Mrs. Gonzalez for attending the meeting.

5. Approval of Minutes -

- a. February 3, 2025 1st Regular Monthly Meeting
- b. February 17, 2025 2nd Regular Monthly Meeting

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Ross provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission – Citizens will be allowed to address the commission individually for a period of up to 5 minutes.

Arlene Gibson approached the Candler County Board of Commissioners regarding an issue with land she purchased at Mincey Street and Boston Street, where she intended to place a modular home. She had spoken to Cliff Hendrix about water utilities but had not received a response. Administrator Aasheim clarified that this meeting was for the County Commissioners, who have no jurisdiction over the City of Metter. Attorney Gross advised her to request placement on the City Council agenda. Chairman Jones informed her that the City Council meets next Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

7. Application for Commission approval

There were no applications presented for Commission approval at this meeting.

8. Old Business

a. Consideration of proposals submitted for emergency repairs to the backup generator for the Sheriff's Office and Detention Center

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to table the item Consideration of proposals submitted for emergency repairs to the backup generator for the Sheriff's Office and Detention Center. Commissioner Ross provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

b. Consideration of an estimate from Pope Construction for repairs to the recreation department gymnasium and discussion of next steps

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to table the item Consideration of an estimate from Pope Construction for repairs to the recreation department gymnasium and discussion of next steps. Commissioner Morales provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

c. Consideration of recommendations for corrective action to safety hazards on Candler County rights-of-way encroachment – Salem Church Rd; and, discussion of a proposed extension of a 48" pipe 24' to allow for a slope to be built for traffic safety

Administrator Aasheim requested this item be removed from the agenda due to the availability of funding, and possibly revisit should funding be made available in the future.

Chairman Jones made a motion to remove the item, Consideration of recommendations for corrective action to safety hazards on Candler County rights-of-way encroachment – Salem Church Rd; and, discussion of a proposed extension of a 48" pipe 24' to allow for a slope to be built for traffic safety. Commissioner Williamson provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

9. New Business

a. Consideration of a request from the county attorney for authorization to file a motion to dismiss in the 2020 election litigation

Attorney Gross explained the case concerning 2020 election litigation has been dismissed and there is no requirement for the Commissioners to do anything. Administrator Aasheim requested this item be removed from the agenda.

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to remove the item, Consideration of a request from the county attorney for authorization to file a motion to dismiss in the 2020 election litigation, from the agenda. Commissioner Williamson provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

b. Consideration of a proposal from HHNT for design, bid, and management fees for the erosion control plan for the Candler County Landfill at a proposed cost of \$23,000

Administrator Aasheim presented a proposal from HHNT for design, bid and management fees for the erosion control plan for Candler County Landfill at a proposed cost of \$23,300.00. It is possible for the County to bid this project using the specs provided and execute the contract. He is concerned about going forward without engineer's supervision and fall subject to EPD, EPA and regs we do not know. However, Aasheim advised it is in the county's best interest to engage in an engineering firm to facilitate the design, bid and management of the project.

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to accept a proposal from HHNT for design, bid, and management fees for the erosion control plan for the Candler County Landfill at a proposed cost of \$23,000 to be funded from the General Fund Operating account. Commissioner Williamson provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

c. Consideration of an estimate from the County Surveyor to perform a survey of the county boundary near Cowart Pond Rd area

Commissioner Williamson made a motion to table the item Consideration of an estimate from the County Surveyor to perform a survey of the county boundary near Cowart Pond Rd area. Commissioner Morales provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

d. Discussion regarding the county contract with American Facility Services for county facility cleaning and recommendation that the county issue a notice of default under Section 9 of the service agreement

Administrator Aasheim gave background on the county entering into a contract with American Facility Services. A discussion was held regarding stipulations within the contract that American Facility Services must provide. After a discussion of the services not being performed properly, the consensus of the board was to notify American Facility Services and issue a Notice of Default as described in Section 9 of the agreement. At that time, they will have 10 days to rectify the problem. Alternatives were discussed and will be brought up during budget discussions for future resolutions to the ongoing problem.

Chairman Jones made a motion to authorize Administrator Aasheim issue a notice of default to American Facility Services under Section 9 of the service agreement. Vice-Chairman Hendrix provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

e. Consideration of a proposed job description and creation of an additional position at the Candler County administration office

Administrator Aasheim presented a proposed job description and creation of an additional position at the Candler County Administration Office. He stated a concern he has about creating a position is that we have a new hire that started a week ago and it is a bit of a challenge to determine what the ongoing need will be based on the abilities and the work level of the people

we currently have staffed. We do have a temporary employee who is here twenty hours a week to answer the phone. I think there is a case to be made that long term we may need a receptionist with primary duties to answer the phone and maybe a few additional duties. Administrator Aasheim requested that discussion be held again during the budget planning sessions and determine if we think it is necessary.

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to remove this item from the agenda and discuss during FY26 budget planning. Commissioner Williamson provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

f. Consideration of a proposal from CAT/Yancey for a 12-month, extended warranty on a CAT140 motor grader (SN EB200244) with 6,372 hours at a cost of \$6,680.00 to cover powertrain and hydraulics (parts & labor)

Administrator Aasheim presented a proposal from CAT/Yancey for a 12-month, extended warranty on a CAT140 motor grader (SN EB200244) with 6,372 hours at a cost of \$6,680.00 to cover powertrain and hydraulics (parts & labor) and a description of items covered. A discussion was held to reevaluate the terms of future lease agreements to avoid running out of hours before ethe lease agreement is up.

Vice-Chairman Hendrix made a motion to engage with CAT/Yancey for a 12-month, extended warranty on a CAT140 motor grader (SN EB200244) with 6,372 hours at a cost of \$6,680.00 to cover powertrain and hydraulics (parts & labor). Commissioner Ross provided a second. The motion carried 5-0. (Exhibit D)

g. Consideration of an appointment to the SDS Fire Committee for the FY26 budget year Administrator Aasheim explained the requirements of the SDS Agreement that specifies this appointment. Chairman Jones requested that Commissioner Williamson, Ross and Morales make the decision to either appoint Vice-Chairman Hendrix or himself to this committee, considering past experience serving in this capacity.

Commissioner Williamson made a motion to appoint Chairman Jones to the SDS Fire Committee for the FY26 budget year. Vice-Chairman Hendrix provided a second. The motion carried 4-0, with Chairman Jones abstaining.

10. Report from County Administrator

Administrator Aasheim mentioned to the Board he sent a response email to the Metter Advertiser's inquiry about the Recreation Department repairs. You may receive questions about that from your constituents.

- **a.** Jail Construction Status: (Exhibit E)
 He provided a status report on the Jail Construction Project, and all is on schedule. Chairman Jones reached out to Pope Construction to come to present an update at a future meeting.
- **b.** Road Project Status: Hiawatha, Lake Church Road, Rosemary Church Road (Exhibit F) East Hiawatha is moving along according to schedule. In the next commission meeting, I will bring a report and a request from Excelsior EMC for the drainage easement that runs along the back of the property of the jail project down to Hiawatha through that drainage ditch and then under the road. That request may require additional drainage modification and increase

the pipe above and beyond what was originally planned. Provided there is approval from the Board of Commissioners to move forward, a meeting of the Candler County Public Building Authority will need to be called as the easement would traverse along that property. The Public Building Authority members are: Wes Clifton, Chris West, Jeff Register, Donny Wells and Rashida Taylor.

Rough numbers (Exhibit G) presented by Administrator Aasheim will be discussed in a scheduled meeting tomorrow at 11:00 am at City Hall with Allgreen Services and the City of Metter to discuss future life of the landfill.

Administrator Aasheim requested executive session to discuss personnel.

11. Report from Attorney

Attorney Gross discussed a conversation he had with an unnamed citizen about the error in their tax bill. He then explained if the Commissioners are asked about this on the street, that you can not reduce a tax bill. Commissioners do not have the authority to make a reduction to a tax liability.

Attorney Gross then read aloud the act creating boundary lines of Candler County:

"Beginning at the bridge on Canoochee River below Excelsior and running up Ten Mile Creek to the Excelsior Bridge; then a straight line to Lotts Creek at a point 1/4 mile above the new bridge (now known as the Langford Bridge); then up the run of Lotts Creek to Deloach's place; then in a southwesterly direction to Union School House (this Union School House was at the cross-roads south of Twin City at the Lafayett Watson Place, later torn down when Rosemary School house was built); then southwestward to Cowart's mill pond; thence a straight line to the Lev Collins crossing on the Central of Georgia Railroad (This point is now where the straight road to Stillmore bends to the right at point east of Stillmore where the railroad was taken up); thence southwestward to Griffins Ferry Bridge on the Ohoopee river; thence down river to a point where Emanuel County and Tattnall Counties met; thence in a straight line to the Kennedy Bridge on Canoochee River. This is the point of beginning where Ten Mile Creek empties into Canoochee."

12. Reports from Commissioners

District 1 – Commissioner David Morales: had nothing to report.

District 2 – Commissioner Jonathan Williamson: had nothing to report.

District 3 – Commissioner Tre' Ross: had nothing to report.

District 4 – Vice-Chairman Blake Hendrix: had nothing to report.

13. Report from Chairman

Chairman Jones had nothing to report.

14. Executive Session – Personnel

Chairman Jones moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 6:55 p.m. Commissioner Morales provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Jones moved to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 7:28 p.m. Commissioner Williamson provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Jones moved to authorize the signing of the *Closed Meeting Affidavit* certifying that executive session was for personnel. Commissioner Morales provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Action taken after Executive Session

Commissioner Ross moved to authorize Superintendent Lanier to hire Stacey Whitaker as a part-time, seasonal grass cutter at a pay rate of \$17.00/hr. Vice-Chairman Hendrix provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Williamson moved to authorize Superintendent Lanier to hire Ronnie Littles as a part-time brush cutter at a pay rate of \$17.00/hr. Vice-Chairman Hendrix provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

15. Adjournment

At 7:33 p.m., Chairman Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Morales provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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Kellie Lank, Clerk

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY, GEORGIA AGENDA REGULAR MEETING 5:00 P.M.

March 3, 2025

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Department Reports
 - a. Metter Fire Department Jason Douglas, Fire Chief
 - b. EMS Xavier Winkler, Director
 - c. Roads & Bridges Jerry Lanier, Roads Superintendent
 - d. Solid Waste Robert Hendrix, Landfill Supervisor
 - e. Recreation Mike Robins, Recreation Director
 - f. Assessor's Office Report Only
 - g. Sheriff's Office Captain Justin Wells
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 - b. Road Project Status: Hiawatha, Lake Church Rd, Rosemary
- 11. Report from Attorney
- 12. Reports from Commissioners
- 13. Report from Chairman

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY, GEORGIA AGENDA REGULAR MEETING 5:00 P.M. March 3, 2025

- 14. Executive Session Personnel
- 15. Adjournment

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY

Brad Jones Chairman Bryan Aasheim County Administrator Blake Hendrix Vice-Chairman

David Morales Commissioner

Jonathan Williamson Commissioner

Tre' Ross Commissioner

CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF CANDLER

Notary Public

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDING OFFICER

Brad Jones, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Candler County, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge and belief:

1.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met in a duly advertised meeting on March 3, 2025.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

The executive session was called to order at b. p.m.

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

provide	u in the open meetings law.
	Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1);
	Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2);
	Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(4);
<u>√</u>	Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6);
	Other Other
This 3 rd	day of March 2025. Comm. Exp. Brad Jones, Chairman
	day of March 2025. Board of Commissioners of Candler County

Metter Fire Rescue Response List Feb-25

Call Type and Jurisdiction

Feb-25

	Structure	Vehicle	Res.	Brush	Inv.	Alarm	Heli.	Haz.	Service	Med.	Other	Total
City	0	1	1	1	3	7	12	0	1	3	0	29
County	0	4	2	17	2	6	0	2	0	6	0	39
Total	0	5	3	18	5	13	12	2	1	9	0	

Total Calls	68
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Feb-24

	Structure	Vehicle	Res.	Brush	Inv.	Alarm	Heli.	Haz.	Service	Med.	Other	Total
City	0	0	4	1	0	2	18	1	5	0	0	31
County	0	3	7	19	1	3	0	0	0	2	1	36
Total	0	3	11	20	1	5	18	1	5	2	1	

Total Calls	67

Total 68 1 Mutual aid given to Emanuel County

Exhibit B

February 2025 Candler Co EMS End of the Month Report

Scene to CCH	62
Scene to EGRMC	22
Scene to Meadows	1
Scene to MUMC	1
Mutual Aid	4
CCH to MUMC	10
CCH to Candler	1
CCH to WellStar MCG	5
CCH to EGRMC	16
CCH to Meadows	2
CCH to Evans Memorial	2
CCH to Nursing home	7
Refusal	24
Refusal/Lift Assist	10
Coroner Call	4
Cancelled Call	9
Fire Standby	1
Ems Not Needed	2
DOA at Nursing home	1
Total	184

CANDLER COUNTY EMS MONTHLY TRIPS REPORT

622 68% #DIV/QI #DIV/Q
IO/MG# I
10/NG# 1
10/MG# 1
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7.3% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1% 7.1



SHERIFF JOHN MILES

CANDLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE P.O. BOX 693 • METTER, GEORGIA • 30439

Date: March 1, 2025

To: Candler County Board of Commissioners, County Administrator Bryan Aasheim

From: Justin P. Wells, Captain Candler County Sheriff's Office

Subject: Summary Report – Operation Cold Snap

Commissioners,

I am pleased to provide this summary of Operation Cold Snap, a proactive traffic enforcement initiative conducted by the Candler County Sheriff's Office from February 1 through February 28, 2025. This operation was designed to focus on high-risk driving behaviors, including Super Speeding, seatbelt violations, and distracted driving, while also giving deputies the opportunity to actively enforce traffic laws in areas identified as problem zones based on prior crash data and citizen complaints. In addition to addressing traffic violations, deputies were also asked to remain alert for other criminal activity uncovered during traffic stops, including wanted persons, stolen vehicles, and illegal drugs or weapons.

The operation was structured so deputies not on a regular patrol shift could voluntarily sign up for 4-hour shifts dedicated entirely to traffic enforcement. This allowed us to add enforcement capacity without reducing coverage for regular calls for service. Deputies could select time slots based on their availability, ensuring coverage during different times of the day. The results from this initiative were both impressive and eye-opening.

During Operation Cold Snap, deputies issued 154 citations over the course of the month. This included 114 super speeder violations, 5 seatbelt violations, 6 distracted driving violations, and 28 other citations for various violations. More importantly, this focused enforcement effort also led to the apprehension of wanted fugitives, the recovery of stolen weapons, and several illegal drug seizures. These results show how proactive traffic enforcement often leads directly to discovering and preventing other criminal activity.

The impact of Operation Cold Snap extended beyond the dedicated traffic enforcement shifts. There was an apparent correlation effect between this initiative and increased proactive traffic enforcement by on-duty deputies. This reflects our team's professionalism and proactive mindset, as deputies working regular patrol shifts also took it upon themselves to increase enforcement activity during their patrol time. Combined, the total number of citations issued for February reached 347 citations. To put this in perspective, the average number of citations issued monthly in 2024 was only 55. This means February saw a 530.91% increase in enforcement activity compared to a typical month last year, a significant and telling increase.



SHERIFF JOHN MILES

CANDLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE P.O. BOX 693 • METTER, GEORGIA • 30439

Operation Cold Snap has clearly demonstrated a consistent and ongoing need for dedicated traffic enforcement in Candler County. The high number of super speeders and distracted driving violations encountered during the operation is evidence that these dangerous driving behaviors are not isolated incidents but rather ongoing threats to public safety. I am confident that, if adequately funded, this effort could be successfully repeated month after month, helping us improve roadway safety, reduce injury crashes, and remove dangerous drivers and criminals from our roadways.

To that end, I have submitted an application to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety seeking funding to continue this program on a regular basis. That grant application also includes a request for electronic citation equipment and updated speed detection devices, which would improve the efficiency and safety of our deputies when conducting traffic stops. However, should we not receive grant funding, we may seek your support to continue this effort in the next fiscal year if funding allows. I firmly believe that this proactive enforcement benefits not just our roadways but the overall safety and quality of life for the citizens of Candler County.

I appreciate your continued support of the Candler County Sheriff's Office and our efforts to improve public safety. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information regarding Operation Cold Snap or future traffic enforcement initiatives.

Sincerely,

ustin P. Wells Justin P. Wells

Captain

Candler County Sheriff's Office

Exhibit D

Extended Protection Quote Confirmation

Quote Number: 1740500040939

Customer Quote

Quote Date: 02/25/2025

Price Expiration Date: 04/26/2025

Customer Information:

CANDLER COUNTY BOC

1075 E. HIAWATHA ST., SUITE A

METTER GEORGIA

30439

UNITED STATES

Product Information:

Model:

140

Serial#:

EB200244 Type: Published

Emissions Control Indicator: NONE Original Delivery Date: 11/24/2020 Product Status: Trade In/Other Current Usage: 6,372 Hours

Quote Status: Draft-NOT ACCEPTED

Dealer Information:

YANCEY BROS

330 LEE INDUSTRIAL BLVD

AUSTELL GEORGIA

30168-7406

UNITED STATES

 $Aprile_Tyson@yanceybros.com$

Coverage POWERTRAIN + HYDRAULICS	P/L PARTS AND LABOR	Duration 12 Months	Usage 1500 Hours	Deductible 0.00	Amount 6,680.00
				Other:	
				Administration Fee	
				Late Fee	
				Tax	
				Total Customer Amount	6,680.00
				Currency	USD

Additional Comments:

Notes:

- 1. This quote is a non-binding price indication.
- 2. All deductibles are displayed in USD.
- 3. Goods & Services Tax (GST) is not included.
- 4. Coverage for New machines / engines starts on the product Delivery Date and runs concurrent with Machine / Engine Standard Warranty.
- 5. Late Fees may apply to Engine Extended Service Coverage (ESC) cost(s) at the time of Enrollment.

Extended Protection Quote Confirmation

Quote Number: 1740500040939

Customer Quote

3/4/25
Customer Signature Date Dealer Signature Date

Thank you for your business!

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Total Jail Construction Funds Available	⋄	7,981,464.63								
SECONDARY RESOURCES			CONTRA	CONTRACT AMOUNTS (STUDIO 8 DESIGN)	(NDIS					
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General Fund Contingency (QNB: 9591)	ς,	20,135.68		DESIGN DEVELOPMENT	Ş	116,000.00	\$ 1.	116,000.00	Ş	1
2018 SPLOST (QNB: 3393)	\$	747,451.26		CONSTRUCTION DOCS	Ş	232,000.00	\$ 2	232,000.00	Ş	1
CC General Fund (SYN: 4894)	\$	2,216,612.31		BID PHASE	Ş	29,000.00	\$	29,000.00	\$	ı
Total Secondary Funds Available	\$	3,066,652.28		CONSTRUCTION PHASE	ş	116,000.00	\$	72,000.00	Ş	44,000.00
					S-	580,000.00 \$ 536,000.00	\$ 5	36,000.00	\$	44,000.00
Total Resources Available for Construction \$ 11,048,116.91	\$	11,048,116.91								
			TOTAL A	TOTAL ANTICIPATED OUTSTANDING COSTS (NO FFE OR IT INCLUDED)	COSTS	(NO FFE OR IT	INCLU	DED)	\$	\$ 9,012,805.50

33.63%

CONSTRUCTION DEFICIT AS A % OF SECONDARY RESOURCES

CONSTRUCTION DEFICIT

\$ (1,031,340.87)

CONTRACTOR GRANTAMOUNT COUNTY COST TOTAL EXPENDED REMAINING COSTS STATUS FUNDING STYLE
SIKES PAVING \$ 455,397.45 REIMBURSE REIMBURSE DIRECT DIRECT 210,987.28 \$ 1,244,344.25 IN PROGRESS 167,776.50 IN PROGRESS COMPLETE PRE BID PRE BID 575,175.00 700,020.60 \$ \$ 455,397.45 608,177.23 \$ 482,806.92 \$ 1,572,451.90 \$ 376,772.98 \$ 43,256.16 \$ \$ 491,024.12 \$ 500,918.84 \$ 1,697,765.00 \$ 531,238.00 MCCLENDON ENTERPRISES \$ - \$ 544,175.00 \$ 31,000.00 \$ 575,175.00 ROSEMARY (DAM), DUTCH FORD *PENDING BID \$ SIKES BROTHERS \$ PAVE E HIAWATHA FROM PAVE
P# 0018461 \$ 1,179,738.65 \$ 106,092.88 \$1,285,331.53 \$ 170,000.00 \$ 1,455,331.53 TERM TO HWV 46.E LAKE CHURCH RD (PAVING) GA HWY 46 TO DUTCH FORD RD \$ 831,797.10 \$ 6,000.00 \$ 837,797.10 \$ 30,000.00 \$ 867,797.10 CANOOCHEE RD (121-46) 544,175.00 \$ PI# 0018463 TSPLOST2 TSPLOST2 LMIG LMIG YEAR 2023 2024 2024 2023

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CLOSURE FUNDS	Date 12/31/2024		Landfill Closure Fund QNB \$ 11,137.49	Investment Account Synovus \$ 2,130,437.01	\$ 2,141,574.50																		
SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT		ALLGREEN CART	CART FEE FEE NET	\$ 14.00 \$ 12.68 \$ 1.32		Feb-25	# CARTS FEE MONTHLY COST	2923 \$ 12.68 \$ 37,063.64	FY24 (ACTUAL)	REFUSE COLLECTION \$ 460,817.34	ALLGREEN FEES \$ 392,419.62	\$ 68,397.72			PROJECTIONS (ALLGREEN DISPOSAL)	RESIDENTIAL FEE \$ 110.00 \$ 513,154.27	DISPOSAL RATE \$ 5.32	COUNTY CARTS 2923 \$ 186,604.32	CITY CARTS 120,466.08	\$ 307,070.40		NET \$ 206,083.87	
ND			FY24	2,899.71	90,680.11	513,154.27	1,566.00	29,213.20	637,513.29			FY25	204,434.75	68,700.00	273,134.75		118,350.00	53,200.00	171,550.00		444,684.75		192,828.54
GENERAL FUND			REVENUE	RECYCLED MATERIALS \$	TIPPING LANDFILL \$	RESIDENTIAL FEE \$	RECYCLE CENTER \$	INERT LANDFILL \$	TOTAL REVENUE			EXPENDITURES	PERSONNEL COSTS \$	HEALTH INS.	⋄		SERVICES \$	SUPPLIES	\$		TOTAL EXPENSE \$		NET \$