

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION
April 19, 2022 – 5:00 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a work session on April 19, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building to discuss SPLOST Projects and other matters as needed. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, and District 5 Commissioner David Walls. Chairman Boone opened the meeting by stating the Board was at the meeting to discuss Road Project issues and driveway permit issues. Mr. Darold Wiggins was asked to discuss the Heard County Road Project Bids. Mr. Wiggins discussed that asphalt resurfacing had two bids, one from C.W Matthews for \$992,000.00 and one from ER Snell for \$968,972.40. There was one bid for surface treatment from The Scruggs Company for \$898,549.84. The final project was HA5 High Density Mineral Bond, there was one bid from Blount Construction Company for \$53,359.84. Mrs. Wiggins discussed how all together the projects came in at \$598,433.00 over budget. Mr. Wiggins then offered three solutions to the Board. The first solution would be to give \$600,000.00 from SPLOST to these projects and continue with the projects. The second, eliminate some of the roads from the projects and try the bid process again. Or third, do not complete any road projects this year and save the money to see if prices come down or skip next year to recoup funds. Mr. Wiggins informs the Board that the county has already received this years LMIG money, so accounting wise it would be better to skip this year. He stated that no roads are in extreme “damage” and can wait until next year. Chairman Boone asked Mr. Wiggins to explain what the striping industry has become. Mr. Wiggins went on to explain that the large striping companies have bought up most of the smaller striping companies, causing higher prices to be charged. What 12 miles of striping used to cost, will only pay for 5 to



6 miles of striping now. The Board then discussed the ELA driveway issue that came up. After much discussion, the applicants decided to move the driveways and discuss more in the regular meeting if necessary. With there being no further discussion, the work session ended.

