

Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the license as presented, second by Commissioner Smith. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

New Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) Software

IT Director, Aaron Kostyu, presented the item. Mr. Kostyu stated Endpoint Detection and Response software is a new purchase and the request is to purchase Vendor A in the amount of \$44,800.00 per year, with a three-year commitment. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the purchase with Vendor A in the amount of \$44,800.00 per year, second by Commissioner Orenstein. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Whitewater Road Lift Station Pump

Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated the Whitewater Road lift station is a triplex station on our trunk leading to the LAS. One of the older pumps is out of service. Mr. Stalvey stated the repair cost is seventy-five percent of the cost of a new pump. The new pump comes with a N-impeller which is on the other pumps and is \$46,446.52 from Xylem, Inc. Commissioner Marshall asked the anticipated installation date, Mr. Stalvey asked between one-two months. Commissioner Smith asked if the warranty is one-year, Mr. Stalvey answered yes, that is correct. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the request to purchase a new pump from Xylem, Inc. in the amount of \$46,446.52, second by Commissioner Smith. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

Acceptance of Hazard Mitigation Grant for Generators

EMA Director, Ashley Tye, presented the item. Mr. Tye stated Lowndes County was recently notified that we were awarded grant funding that we applied for in 2019. This funding is for a Mitigation Grant that will provide emergency backup generators for each of the five Pruitt Health facilities in Lowndes County. The prices are going to be significantly different than they were in 2019. Mr. Tye stated we also have a letter from the Chairman and CEO of Pruitt Health confirming that they will be responsible for any cost over or above what GEMA and FEMA provide. Commissioner Orenstein thanked Mr. Tye for his hard work. Commissioner Marshall also thanked Mr. Tye and asked a question regarding connection points/disconnects, is it based on a particular size, to which Mr. Tye responded the transfer switch is based off of the size of the generator. Each facility has a different generator based on size and the transfer switch is matched to that size generator. Mr. Tye stated if the transfer switch gets installed before the generator, and they have a loss of power, we can have a portable generator brought in that matches so that we can at least be able to plug in. He further stated it makes it a lot easier when the transfer switch is already there. Chairman Slaughter asked if this includes transfer switches and generators. Mr. Tye responded yes, this includes everything. Mrs. Dukes stated she wants everyone to understand that we can get the transfer switches in, but until the specific generators are delivered, then we would have to make a resource request if we were in an emergency situation to try to get the proper generator here. Chairman Slaughter stated the fix is not until we get the transfer switches and generators onsite. Mr. Tye replied, yes, when the project is done, they will have a generator sitting there onsite dedicated to that facility, and when the power goes out the generator will come on. Commissioner Smith asked if they will all run on diesel, Mr. Tye responded yes. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the request as presented, second by Vice Chairperson Evans. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

The Crescent Place of Historic Interest Tax Exemption

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated as reported yesterday morning, there were questions this past appeal season regarding the eligibility of exemption for the Crescent