

Commissioner Pixie Harrod made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

F. ER ASSIST, INC. CONTRACT – ADMINISTRATION – Administration presented the board with a contract from ER Assist, Inc. The contract is for assistance in gathering information with Hurricane Helene and filing with FEMA. This is the best option to make sure the county gets full reimbursement from FEMA. Ms. Laurel Matula with ER Assist was present to answer any questions. The cost of the contract is not to exceed \$90,000.00 which is 100% reimbursable by FEMA. Commissioner Jimmy Parker made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Robert Griner. The motion carried unanimously.

G. EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION – NASHVILLE FIRE DEPT. – Steve Admas, Nashville Fire Department asked the board to purchase spare batteries for SCBAs. One quote was provided from Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC in the amount of \$7,571.07. Commissioner Pixie Harrod made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Parker. The motion carried unanimously.

H. FY 2024 TAN BIDS & RESOLUTION – Administration requested quotes for a \$3,000,000.00 Tax Anticipation Note. Quotes were:

Bank of Alapaha	\$1,500,000.00	6.00%
Farmers & Merchants Bank	\$3,000,000.00	5.75%
Ameris Bank	\$3,000,000.00	5.65% Plus Costs

Commissioner Robert Griner made a motion to stay local and approve the TAN with Farmers & Merchants Bank in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 at 5.75%, seconded by Commissioner Pixie Harrod. The motion carried unanimously.

I. RATIFICATION ITEMS - Administration is requesting ratification on the following items:

<u>Hurricane Helene:</u>		Greg Hadsock – Pipe Repair – Berrien Youth Building	
		Sams Club – Large Screen TV – EOC	
		Speedy Response – Berrien Youth Building – Insurance Claim	
		Southern Linc – 20 Phones	
		South GA Tree Service – E-911	
		Verizon Phones – 2 phones	
		NED Excavator Rental – Road	\$4,500.00/Monthly
		Elite Landscape Solutions – Chainsaws -Road	\$5,702.00
		Ag Pro – Chainsaws – Road	\$2,180.00
		Red Bud – Road	\$1,720.59
		Red Bud – Road	\$4,870.60
		Red Bud – Road	\$3,401.13
		Southern States Construction & Supply, LLC – Road	\$132,312.35
		Warren & Warren Contracting, LLC – Road	\$65,600.00
		David Taylor Construction, Inc. – Road	\$43,820.00

Change of name on the debris contract to 911 Arborist, LLC from South Georgia Tree Service, LLC – Same owner, same contract, the 911 Arborist, LLC is his storm name.