

15. **Approval to convert the part-time positions' funding back into two full-time Firefighter/EMT positions with the available budget of \$68,721.00 included in the Fire Fund's FY 2017 operations budget.**
16. **Approval of the proposed 2017 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) project list for unincorporated Fayette County and authorization for the Chairman to sign the LMIG Application and related documents.**
17. **Approval to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Peachtree City for paving the portion of Redwine Road within the City's limits and for the City to reimburse the County for cost of materials, estimated to \$28,000.00.**
18. **Approval of the staff's recommendation to award a contract on Bid # 1144-B Firing Range and Observation Tower in the amount of \$432,020.00 to Gene Barber Contracting, Inc. for the construction of a firing range, observation tower and shoot house.**

Commissioner Brown stated that in relations to the firing range and observation tower, is this the last expenditure on this project. He stated that the project is getting bigger and bigger.

Mr. Rapson stated that at the April 2016 Board of Commissioner Retreat staff presented the Sheriff's master plan for the facility. He stated that so far they have completed the long-range shooting range and the grading of the area for the short-range. He stated that this item is for the observation tower and the shoot house. He stated that the shoot house plan from the Retreat is identical to what is being presented to the Board. He stated that the remaining portion that would be funded by the Board is the training facility which is a renovation. He stated that the budget is sufficient for this request and the Sheriff has committed to purchasing the equipment, furniture and fixtures. He stated that the only thing not funded in the original master plan is the road course for the Sheriff's vehicles.

Commissioner Brown stated that he was asking if this is the last expenditure on the shooting range.

Mr. Rapson stated that this would be the last piece to complete the shooting range. Commissioner Brown was confirming that this would be the last check for the shooting range. Mr. Rapson confirmed that it would.

Further discussion followed.

Commissioner Brown moved to award a contract on Bid # 1144-B Firing Range and Observation Tower in the amount of \$432,020.00 to Gene Barber Contracting, Inc. for the construction of a firing range, observation tower and shoot house. Commissioner Barlow seconded. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0 with Vice Chairman Ognio absent.

19. **Acknowledgment of Sheriff Barry H. Babb's decision to dispose of county property.**

Commissioner Brown stated that Vice Chairman Ognio raised a good point and he shared the sentiment regarding the use of GovDeals and setting minimums to gain more money on the items.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that he had a conversation with Mr. Rapson and the Sheriff and learned there is a difference in the items that are seized and the ones purchased through the County's procurement process. He stated that in this instance it is the Sheriff's decision.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Sheriff Babb's decision to dispose of the county property as is. Commissioner Barlow seconded. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0 with Vice Chairman Ognio absent.



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Date: December 8, 2016

Subject: Invitation to Bid #1144-B: General Contractor for Construction of the Firing Range, Observation Tower, and Shoot House

Planned road construction made it necessary for the county to purchase the former Links golf course in 2014. Since the property included more land than will be needed for this purpose, the Sheriff's Office and county administration are working together to develop a multi-purpose training facility on the site.

The Purchasing Department issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) #1144-B to hire a general contractor to construct a firing range, observation tower, and shoot house. Invitations were emailed to 15 contractors. Another 420 were contacted through the web-based Georgia Procurement Registry. In addition, invitations were extended via the Fayette News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace (www.glga.org), and Channel 23.

Nine companies attended a mandatory pre-bid conference on July 20. Two of the nine submitted bids, as follows:

Frontier Electric & Mechanical	\$899,023.22
Gene Barber Contracting, Inc.	447,750.00

The Purchasing Department surveyed the companies who attended the pre-bid conference, but did not submit a bid. Of those who responded, all cited the time allowed for project completion, and some added concern about the risk of being assessed liquidated damages for not completing work on time.

Both bids received were in excess of budgeted funds. As allowed by Georgia Code [O.C.G.A. 36-91-21(b)(4)], staff met with the low bidder to negotiate a price within budget. The process led to a negotiated bid of \$432,020.00. The Sheriff's Office and the Department of Buildings and Grounds Maintenance recommend award to Gene Barber Contracting, Inc. for the negotiated amount.

Specifics of the proposed contracts are as follows:

Contract Name	1144-B: Firing Range & Observation Tower
Vendor	Gene Barber Contracting, Inc.
Type of Contract	General Contractor
Not-to-Exceed Amount	\$432,020.00

Budget:

Fund	375	Capital Improvement Projects
Organization Code	37510565	Buildings & Grounds CIP
Object Code	541320	Buildings / Structures
Project Code	5565H	Links Master Plan
Available Budget	\$432,020.00	