

HABERSHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: GEMA/Homeland Security Grant for Eight (8) Warning Sirens for Fire Stations

DATE: September 8, 2022

(X) RECOMMENDATION

() POLICY DISCUSSION

BUDGET INFORMATION:

() STATUS REPORT

ANNUAL-\$51,065.00

() OTHER

CAPITAL-0

SPLOST - 0

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED ON: 09/19/2022

PURPOSE: Habersham County would like to move forward with acceptance of an approved grant for eight (8) warning sirens to be located throughout the county at the existing fire stations. This will give each fire station a warning siren.

BACKGROUND / HISTORY: Habersham County applied for a grant on 6/21/21 through GEMA/Homeland Security that was approved by the County Manager. E911/EMA Director Lynn Smith received a phone call stating this grant has been approved and that she can begin moving forward. An award letter will be sent to the County Manager along with a copy for the Chairman.

FACTS AND ISSUES:

- a) Currently there are no warning sirens located outside the cities.
 - b) By installing them on county property, the cost can be cut to a minimum due to existing power at all locations.
 - c) This grant is a 75/25 match. The total cost of this project is \$204,260.00 with our part being \$51,065.00
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OPTIONS:

- 1, Approve to move forward on this grant
 - 2. Deny grant
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RECOMMENDED SAMPLE MOTION: I make a motion to approve funding the match for the approved grant for 8 warning sirens to be placed at county fire stations and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents related to the acceptance of this grant.

DEPARTMENT:

Prepared by: Lynn Smith, EMA

Director: Lynn Smith _____

ADMINISTRATIVE

COMMENTS: _____

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_____ **DATE:** _____

County Manager
