HABERSHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Approve/Ratify Grant Award and Authorize Purchase of Two (2) Generators from Georgia Emergency Management Association (GEMA)

DATE: August 28, 2024

BUDGET INFORMATION: \$331,700 GRANT -\$298,530 CAPITAL-\$33,170 SPLOST - (X) RECOMMENDATION
() POLICY DISCUSSION
() STATUS REPORT
() OTHER

COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED ON: 09/16/2024

PURPOSE: Habersham County would like to move forward with an approval of a GEMA Grant for two (2) generators to be located at the Administration building and Public Works building. This will give each building emergency power when needed.

BACKGROUND / HISTORY: Habersham County applied for a grant on 02/01/2022 through GEMA/Homeland Security that was approved by the County Manager and Finance. I have received a phone call stating this grant has been approved and I can begin moving forward. An award letter will be sent to the County along with a copy for the Chairman to sign. The Generators are on State Contract for purchase without a bid process as Habersham County will be purchasing at the State Contract rates.

FACTS AND ISSUES:

- a) Currently there is a wrong size generator at the Administration building and none at Public Works.
- b) By installing these generators, operations may continue during outages.
- c) This grant is a 90/10 match. The total cost of this project is \$331,700.00 with our part being \$33,170.00
- d) With this Grant Award, it SAVES the County \$232,130 budgeted in CIP to purchase a Generator.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve Ratification of the GEMA Grant and purchase of two (2) generators in the amount of \$331,700.

2. Deny Ratification of the GEMA Grant and purchase of two (2) generators in the amount of \$331,700.

3. Commissioner Alternative

RECOMMENDED SAMPLE MOTION: I make a motion to Approve Ratification of the GEMA Grant and purchase of two (2) generators in the amount of \$331,700 and authorize the Chairman to sign and execute the Grant Award documents.

DEPARTMENT:

Prepared by: Lynn Smith, EMA Director: Lynn Smith_____

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS:_____

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_____ DATE: _____

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County Manager