



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners**  
**Regular Scheduled Meeting**  
**July 28, 2020, 5:15 p.m.**  
**Jury Assembly Room – Third Floor**

**OPENING REGULAR MEETING**

Chairman Helton called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Present in Board Meeting were Chairman Helton, Post One Commissioner Earl Johnson, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Attorney Lynn D. Doss, and County Clerk Sherri L. Walker.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Chairman Helton asked for a Motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting. Motion made first by Commissioner Johnson. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

No public commentary. Public commentary closed at 5:17 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item #2 on the agenda was a variance request from James & Leslie Callender to build a mother-in-law cottage 10 feet from the property line to limit walking distance for elderly parents. Chairman Helton made motion first to approve the variance. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #3 on the agenda was a variance request from Jimmy Dustin Carder to build new home on Lot #14 and Lot #13 20 feet from the edge of and 30 feet from centerline of Lindsey Lane. Chairman Helton asked for a motion to approve the variance. Motion made first by Commissioner Johnson. Motion made second by Chairman Helton. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4 on the agenda was the Fannin County Development Authority Board Member Renewal of Richard York for another three-year term. Chairman Helton made motion first to accept the re-appointment of Richard York to the Fannin County Development Authority. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5 on the agenda was Executive Director of Fannin County Development Authority Christie Gribble. Ms. Gribble gave a brief update on the local job market in Fannin County and explained about a Flex Job Program through TVA that offered remote jobs for our citizens. Ms. Gribble also gave an update regarding the 2020 Census and explained how important it was for our citizens to participate in the Census.

Item #6 on the agenda was the Financial Report for January 2020 through June 2020. Chairman Helton elaborated on some of the numbers regarding Risk Management and other Points of Interest for each Department. Chairman Helton concluded by stating, the County was 7% under budget.

Item #7 on the agenda was the ACCG Group Self-Insurance Worker's Compensation Fund Employee Safety Grant. Chairman Helton stated the grant was approved in the amount of \$6,000.

Item #8 on the agenda was the new appointment to the Fannin County Tax Assessor Board. Commissioner Johnson made the motion first to appoint Mr. Brian Burgess to the Fannin County Tax Assessor Board for a three-year term to replace Troy Junnier. The Board thanked Mr. Junnier for his service of the last three years. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Last item on the agenda was Item #9 being the rescheduling of the August 11<sup>th</sup> Regular Scheduled Commissioners Meeting due to the election being held on the same day. Chairman Helton made motion first to reschedule the meeting to August 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Helton stated he wanted to make some comments about dealing with the COVID-19 situation. Chairman Helton stated a few weeks back, the Courthouse was ordered by the Courts to sanitize and

disinfect the Courthouse due to the Coronavirus. Chairman Helton explained the decision was made in order to keep the employees and the citizens safe. Chairman Helton also went into detail about the award of Federal money that went to the State for the reimbursement of cost related to COVID-19. Commissioner Patterson stated it was a very hard decision to make but necessary. Commissioner Johnson stated hopefully it wouldn't happen again; and everyone thought it was going away but it's just getting worse. Commissioner Johnson stated if anyone is sick, they just need to stay home in order to keep everyone safe.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

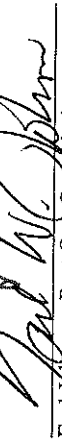
No Executive Session was needed at present time.

**CLOSING**

Chairman Helton asked for a Motion to adjourn. Motion made first by Commissioner Johnson. Motion made second by Chairman Helton. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:02 p.m.



Stan Helton, Chairman



Earl Johnson, Post One Commissioner



Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:



Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk