



Fannin County Board of Commissioners

Public Hearing @ 5:30 p.m.

Public Hearing @ 5:45 p.m.

Regular Scheduled Meeting

July 13th, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Jury Assembly Room

Third Floor

OPENING 1ST PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Hensley called the hearing to order at 5:30 p.m.

Christie Gribble read the proposed Broadband Ordinance.

Chairman Hensley opened the floor for citizen's comments.

Chairman Hensley closed public hearing at 5:48 p.m.

OPENING OF 2ND PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Hensley called the hearing to order at 5:49 p.m.

Christie Gribble elaborated on the amendment of the Comprehensive Plan in order to prepare for Broadband readiness.

Chairman Hensley opened the floor for citizen's comments.

Chairman Hensley closed public hearing at 5:59 p.m.

OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING

Present in meeting were Chairman Jamie Hensley, Post One Commissioner Johnny Searce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Attorney Lynn D. Doss, & County Clerk Sherri L. Walker.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Post One Commissioner Glenn Patterson. Pledge was led by Commissioner Searce.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item #2: Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 22nd, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. Motion made first by Commissioner Searce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #3: Discussion of purchasing a new vehicle for the Fannin County Health Department which was tabled from previous meeting of June 22nd, 2021. Monica Hodskins from the Fannin County Health Department was present with the estimate for a Ford F150 from Ronnie Thompson in the amount of \$28,464.00. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase of the F150 in the amount of \$27,864.84. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4: Discussion of Tiny Home Subdivision Moratorium. Chairman Hensley stated he would like to have a Public Hearing held on this issued on August 24th. Chairman Hensley made a motion to table the issue until August 24th, 2021. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #5: Variance Request from Rocco A. & Susan Sannicando to build a garage 20 feet from the centerline and 15 feet from the edge of Eagles Nest Mountain Road. Chairman Hensley made a motion to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Variance Request from Timothy & Emily Towe to place a metal building 8 feet from the property line. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #7: Variance Request from D&H Land Development & Danny Patterson to place a garage 8 feet from the property line. Chairman Hensley recused himself due to conflict. Commissioner Patterson made a motion first to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed by both with Chairman Hensley abstaining from vote.

Item #8: Variance Request from Joy Dorian to place a deck 28 feet from the edge of Harris Lane. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #9: Reappointment of Mr. Frankie Rigdon to the Fannin County Development Authority Board for a three-year term. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the appointment. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #10: Reappointment of Mr. Lucas Roof to the Fannin County Development Authority Board for a three-year term. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the appointment. Motion made first by Commissioner Searce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #11: Reappointment of Mr. Mark Henson to the Fannin County Tax Assessor Board for another four-year term. This is appointment is made by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the appointment. Motion by second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #12: Financial Report was given by County Clerk & Interim Financial Director Sherri L. Walker.

Item #13: Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff recommended to the Board to accept the road being Trails End and add to the county road list. The road is .03 miles. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to accept Trails End into the Fannin County list. Motion made first by Commissioner Searce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #14: Public Works Director Zaak Ratcliff presented to the Board the FY 2021 LMI&G Safety Action Plan (SAP) from the GDOT. The funding for the safety grant will not exceed \$350,000 with a county match of 30% being \$105,000 and project must be under contract and completed by December 31, 2021. The Safety Grant will be for the widening project of Salem Road. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to accept the safety grant. Motion made first by Commissioner Searce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #15: Public Works Director Zaak Ratcliff presented a list to the Board of items for auction to be placed on govdeals.com. Chairman Hensley made a motion first for the items to be placed up for auction. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

The following individuals made public commentary: Gerald McMillian & Joe Webb
Closed at 6:57 p.m.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to enter into Executive Session. Commissioner Searce made a motion second. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Searce made a motion second. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley elaborated on the decision to purchase two parcels of property behind the courthouse in the amount of \$575,000. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve this purchase. Commissioner Searce made a motion second. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley also elaborated on the anticipation of the Millage Rate staying same rate at 3.862. Therefore, Chairman Hensley made a motion to advertise the Millage Rate. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1); consultation with county attorney on entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b)(1)E; discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b)(2).

CLOSING

Chairman Hensley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Janie Mensley
Janie Mensley, Chairman

Via Zoom

Johnny Seearce, Post One Commissioner

Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:

Sherri L. Walker
Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk