



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Scheduled Meeting  
January 24th, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Jury Assembly Room  
Third Floor**

**OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING:**

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item #2: Board approval of the minutes from the January 10th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the January 10th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action on Variance Request from Cottonwood Lane, LLC to place a home 20 feet from the edge of the culdesac and 50 feet from the center of the culdesac. There is no other place to place the home. Chairman Hensley advised the variance was not provided in time for the purpose of reviewing so therefore, Chairman Hensley made a motion to table the variance until the next scheduled Board of Commissioner's Meeting being February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item#4: Board Discussion/Action on Resolution Calling For An Election to Impose a County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. Chairman Hensley elaborated on the Resolution wording for the March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 ballot and proceeded to make a motion to adopt the Resolution. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Nichole Potzauf, Executive Director of the Blue Ridge Mountain Arts Center approached the Board regarding a quote from James Thomas Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$33,480.00 to replace the HVAC system in the old Courthouse Building. Ms. Potzauf stated the system had stopped working and needed to be replaced due to the age of the system. Ms. Potzauf stated Mr. Thomas was the only quote she had received but she had reached out to others with no response. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the replacement of the system in the amount of \$33,480.00 through James Thomas Heating & Cooling. The system would be paid for using the American Rescue Plan Act funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action on the Secondary Entrance to the Fannin County Recreation Department. Chairman Hensley explained the possibility of a secondary entrance to the facility that may possibly effect George Curtis, Ada Street & Hwy 5 but nothing had been finalized at this time. Mr. Hensley stated this was a much needed resolution as to the situation with traffic entering onto Hwy. 5.

Item #7: Board Discussion/Action on Animal Control Transport Van. Chairman Hensley stated there was a need for a transport van for Animal Control due to the number of dogs that could be transported at times. The current transport would hold two dogs and sometimes this would cause more trips to transport the animals depending on the number. Mr. Hensley also stated this would help with partnering with other surrounding counties that could help with transporting. Mr. Hensley stated there may be a 2018 Ford van with 60,000 miles come available in the price range of \$37,000. Mr. Hensley stated he felt the van would not exceed \$37,000. After discussions, Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase for the 2018 Ford van not to exceed \$37,000. The van would be paid for out of the Public Safety SPLOST funds in the amount of \$37,000. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY:**

No Public Commentary was made. Public Commentary closed at 6:56 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**

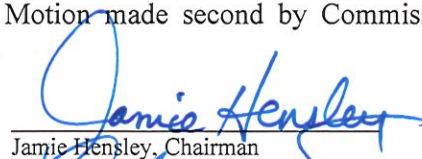
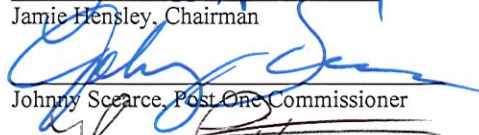
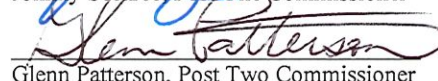
Chairman Hensley asked if there was a need for Executive Session. Commissioner Patterson stated he would like to enter into Executive Session. Chairman Hensley made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley stated the topic was pertaining to personnel and property with no decision made.

**CLOSING:**

Chairman Hensley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

  
Jamie Hensley, Chairman  
  
Johnny Searce, Post One Commissioner  
  
Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:

  
Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk

**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION TO IMPOSE  
A COUNTY SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FANNIN COUNTY, GEORGIA IMPOSING A COUNTY ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX AS AUTHORIZED BY PART 1 OF ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 48 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED; SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX ARE TO BE USED; SPECIFYING THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR WHICH SUCH TAX SHALL BE IMPOSED; SPECIFYING THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX; SEEKING APPROVAL TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH; REQUESTING THE ELECTION SUPERINTENDENT TO CALL FOR ELECTION OF THE VOTERS OF FANNIN COUNTY TO APPROVE THE IMPOSITION OF SUCH SALES AND USE TAX; APPROVING THE FORM OF THE BALLOT TO BE USED IN SUCH AN ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FANNIN COUNTY, in regular meeting assembled and pursuant to lawful authority thereof, as follows:

WHEREAS, Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (the "Act") authorizes the imposition of a one percent county special purpose local option sales and use tax ("SPLOST") for the purpose of financing certain capital outlay projects to be owned or operated by the County and one or more Municipalities which include those set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Fannin County that a SPLOST be imposed in a special district within the County to raise approximately \$56,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding capital outlay projects as described herein below ("Projects"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to submit to the qualified voters of the County the question of whether or not the SPLOST should be imposed and whether or not the issuance of general obligation debt in conjunction therewith should be approved; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners delivered written notice (the "Notice") to the governing authorities of each municipality located within the County regarding a meeting to discuss the imposition of the SPLOST and the possible projects for inclusion in a SPLOST referendum, including municipally owned and operated projects; and

WHEREAS, the Notice contained the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting and in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. §§ 48-8-110, *et seq.* requiring that said notice be delivered or mailed at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting, designated representatives of the County met with designated representatives of the City of Blue Ridge and the City of McCaysville (the "Municipalities") on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022 and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022, to discuss the imposition of the SPLOST and the possible capital outlay projects to be funded therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Notice was delivered or mailed at least 10 days prior to the date of the meetings, and the meetings were held at least 30 days prior to the issuance of a call for the referendum; and

WHEREAS, the County entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the Municipalities with an effective date of January 10, 2023, regarding the imposition of SPLOST (the "Intergovernmental Agreement"); and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Fannin County as follows:

**A. Imposition of SPLOST.** Assuming the question of imposing the SPLOST is approved by a majority of the voters of the County voting in the election hereinafter referred to, the SPLOST shall be imposed for the term, purposes and estimated costs as follows:

1. In order to finance the Projects described herein, a SPLOST in the amount of one percent (1%) on all sales and uses in the special district is hereby authorized to be levied and collected as provided in the Act, commencing on October 1, 2023, and continuing for a period of six years (24 calendar quarters).
2. The proceeds of the SPLOST are to be used to fund the Projects. The Projects consist of the "County Projects" and the "Municipal Projects." The County Projects, the Municipal Projects, and the estimated costs of each are set forth on Exhibit A:
3. Each of the Projects may include the acquisition of land, equipment, technology, vehicles, construction and renovation of facilities, and other capital costs related to such Project.
4. The costs of the Projects set forth above are estimates based upon the estimated SPLOST collections and the needs of the County and the Municipalities at the time the Projects were agreed upon. The actual SPLOST collection may vary from the estimated amounts and the needs of the County and/or Municipalities may change. Therefore, the County has the sole right to determine how much it will spend on the County Projects, and each of the Municipalities have the sole right to determine how much it will spend on Municipal Projects. The County and the Municipalities are not required to spend the amounts set forth above for the Projects if the Projects can be completed for a lesser amount or the actual SPLOST collections are less than estimated (and in the latter case, neither the County nor the Municipalities are required to (a) apply money from their respective General Funds to complete the Projects or (b) fund the Projects with future Sales and Use Tax collections). Furthermore, the County and the Municipalities may spend more than the amounts set forth above for the Projects. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Project may not be abandoned in its entirety unless the parties agree and the provisions of the SPLOST Act are satisfied.
5. The County may fund the County Projects in any order or priority it may deem necessary or convenient, and the Municipalities may fund the Municipal Projects in any order or priority they may deem necessary or convenient.



**B. General Obligation Debt.**

1. Assuming the question of imposing the SPLOST is approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the County voting in the election hereinafter referred to, the County is hereby authorized to issue its general obligation debt (the "Debt") in conjunction with the SPLOST, in a maximum aggregate principal amount of \$49,000,000.00. The proceeds of the Debt, if issued, shall be used to pay a portion of the costs of Projects and the costs of issuing the Debt. The Debt shall bear interest from the first day of the month during which the Debt is issued or from such other date as may be designated by the County prior to the issuance of the Debt, at a rate or rates to be determined in a supplemental resolution or resolutions to be adopted by the County prior to the issuance of the Debt. The maximum interest rate or rates which such Debt is to bear is six percent (6%) per annum. The amount of principal to be paid in each year during the life of the Debt (maximum amounts that assume the full \$49,000,000.00 is issued) shall be as set forth below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
Year 1	\$7,525,000
Year 2	7,775,000
Year 3	8,030,000
Year 4	8,290,000
Year 5	8,555,000
Year 6	<u>8,825,000</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$49,000,000</u>

2. The Debt may be issued in one or more separate issuances or series. Proceeds of the SPLOST will be used first for the payment of the Debt, if issued, and the portion of the proceeds of the SPLOST not used for the payment of the Debt will be used to pay the costs of Projects not funded with the Debt.

3. The proceeds of the Debt shall be deposited by the County in separate funds or accounts as specified by separate resolution of the Board of Commissioners. The County waives the performance audit or performance review requirement provided in O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-82-100 and no performance audit or performance review in respect to the Debt, as such terms are defined in O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-82-100, other than fulfillment of the requirements of O.C.G.A. Sec. 48-8-121.

4. Any brochures, listings, or other advertisements heretofore or hereafter issued by the Board of Commissioners or by any other person, firm, corporation, or association with the knowledge and consent of the Board of Commissioners shall be deemed to be a statement of intention of the Board of Commissioners concerning the use of the proceeds of the Debt, and such statement of intention shall be binding upon the Board of Commissioners with respect to the expenditure of the proceeds of such Debt or interest received from the investment of the proceeds of such Debt to the extent provided in Section 36-82-1(d) of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

**C. Distribution of Proceeds of the SPLOST.**

Upon receipt by the County of SPLOST proceeds collected by the State Department of Revenue, the County shall immediately deposit said proceeds in the SPLOST Fund. The Monies in the SPLOST Fund shall be held and applied to the cost of acquiring, constructing and installing the

County Projects listed in Exhibit A. The County, following each monthly deposit of the SPLOST proceeds in the SPLOST Fund, shall within 10 business days disburse the SPLOST proceeds due to each Municipality according to the pro rata percentages set forth in schedule in Exhibit A. The proceeds shall be deposited in the separate funds established by each Municipality in accordance with Section 5 of the Intergovernmental Agreement. All projects have equal priority. No project will be given preference in the funding and distribution process in such a way that the monthly distribution formula is affected.

**D. Call for the Election; Ballot Form; Notice.**

1. The Board of Registrations and Elections of Fannin County, as Election Superintendent for the County (the “**Election Superintendent**”), is hereby requested to call an election in all voting precincts in the County on the 21st day of March, 2023, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the County the question set forth in paragraph 2 below.

2. The ballots to be used in the election shall have written of printed thereon substantially the following:

“        ☐ YES  
          ☐ NO

**1% SPLOST ELECTION**

Shall a special one percent sales and use tax be imposed in the special district of Fannin County for a period of time not to exceed 6 Years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$56,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding: (1) the following projects of **Fannin County**: (i) Maintenance, Repair and Construction of roads, streets, bridges and sidewalks & Public Works Equipment - 55%; (ii) Water Projects Countywide - 7%; (iii) Capital Outlay/ Parking - 9%; (iv) Recreation Equipment/Facilities - 6.9%; and (v) Public Safety Facilities / Public Service Equipment - 8.5%; (2) the following projects of the **City of Blue Ridge**: (i) Maintenance, Repair and Construction of Roads, Drainage & Sidewalks - 5.36%; (ii) Water & Sewer upgrades & Capital Outlay - 1.79%; and (iii) Recreation Facilities and Improvements - 0.35%; and (3) the following projects of the **City of McCaysville**: (i) Capital Outlay for Roads, Streets, Bridges and City Park, including, but not limited to construction, repair, maintenance, and equipment for the same, which purposes may include sidewalks and bicycle paths - 2.5%; (ii) Capital Outlay, water and sewer, utility equipment and facilities - 2.1%; and (iii) Public safety facilities and public service Equipment - 1.5%?

If imposition of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Fannin County, Georgia in the principal amount of \$49,000,000.00 for the purposes of funding all or a portion of any of the Projects.”

3. It is hereby requested that the election be held by the Election Superintendent in accordance with the election laws of the State of Georgia. It is hereby further requested that the Election

Superintendent canvass the returns and declare the result of the election and certify the result to the Secretary of State and to the state Commissioner of Revenue.

4. The Election Superintendent is hereby authorized and requested to publish a notice of the election as required by law in the newspaper in which Sheriff's advertisements for the County are published once a week for five weeks immediately preceding the date of the election. The notice of the election shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

5. The Clerk of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a copy of the Resolution to the Election Superintendent, with a request that the Election Superintendent issue the call for an election.

6. The proper officers and agents of the County are hereby authorized to take any and all further actions as may be required in connection with the imposition of SPLOST and the authorization of Debt.

7. The Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

FANNIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Chairman

ATTEST:

County Clerk

[COUNTY SEAL]



**Exhibit A**

County Projects				
<u>Projects</u>	<u>County/Municipality</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>	<u>Pro Rata Percentage</u>	<u>Priority</u>
Maintenance, Repair and Construction of roads, streets, bridges and sidewalks & Public Works Equipment	Fannin County	\$30,800,000	55%	1
Water Projects Countywide	Fannin County	\$3,920,000	7%	1
Capital Outlay- & Parking (area)	Fannin County	\$5,040,000	9%	1
Recreation Equipment/Facilities	Fannin County	\$3,864,000	6.9%	1
Public Safety Facilities/Public Service Equipment	Fannin County	\$4,760,000	8.5%	1
Municipal Projects				
<u>Projects</u>	<u>County/Municipality</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>	<u>Pro Rata Percentage</u>	<u>Priority</u>
Maintenance, Repair and Construction of Roads, Drainage and Sidewalks	City of Blue Ridge	\$3,001,600	5.36%	1
Water & Sewer upgrades & Capital Outlay	City of Blue Ridge	\$1,002,400	1.79%	1
Recreation Facilities and Improvements	City of Blue Ridge	\$196,000	0.35%	1
Capital Outlay for Roads, Streets, Bridges, and City Park, including, but not limited to construction, repair, maintenance, and equipment for the same, which purposes may include sidewalks and bicycle paths.	City of McCaysville	\$1,400,000	2.5%	1
Capital Outlay, water and sewer, utility equipment & facilities	City of McCaysville	\$1,176,000	2.1%	1
Public Safety facilities and Public Service equipment	City of McCaysville	<u>\$840,000</u>	<u>1.5%</u>	1
Total		<u>\$56,000,000</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	

Exhibit A to Resolution



**Exhibit B**

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF FANNIN COUNTY, GEORGIA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 21st day of March, 2023, an election will be held at the regular polling places in all the election districts of Fannin County, Georgia ("the County"), at which time there will be submitted to the qualified voters of the County for their determination the question of whether a one percent county special purpose local option sales and use tax (the "SPLOST") shall be imposed on all sales and uses in the special district created in the County for a period of six years for the raising of approximately \$56,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding capital outlay projects ("the Projects") specified in the form of the ballot set forth below.

If imposition of the SPLOST is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the County secured by the SPLOST in the maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$49,000,000.00 ("the Debt"). The proceeds of the Debt, if issued, shall be used to pay the costs of one or more of the Projects and the costs of issuing the Debt. The Debt shall bear interest from the first day of the month during which the Debt is issued or from such other date as may be designated by the County prior to the issuance of the Debt, at a rate or rates to be determined in a supplemental resolution or resolutions to be adopted by the County prior to the issuance of the Debt. The maximum interest rate or rates which such Debt is to bear is six percent (6%) per annum. The amount of principal to be paid in each year during the life of the Debt (maximum amounts that assume the full \$49,000,000.00 is issued) shall be as set forth below:

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The Debt may be issued in one or more separate issuances or series. Proceeds of the SPLOST will be used first for the payment of the Debt, if issued, and the portion of the proceeds of the SPLOST not used for the payment of the Debt will be used to pay the costs of Projects not funded with the Debt.

The proceeds of the Debt shall be deposited by the County in separate funds or accounts as specified by separate resolution of the Board of Commissioners. The County waives the performance audit or performance review requirement provided in O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-82-100 and

no performance audit or performance review in respect to the Debt, as such terms are defined in O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-82-100, other than fulfillment of the requirements of O.C.G.A. Sec. 48-8-121.

Any brochures, listings, or other advertisements heretofore or hereafter issued by the Board of Commissioners or by any other person, firm, corporation, or association with the knowledge and consent of the Board of Commissioners shall be deemed to be a statement of intention of the Board of Commissioners concerning the use of the proceeds of the Debt, and such statement of intention shall be binding upon the Board of Commissioners with respect to the expenditure of the proceeds of such Debt or interest received from the investment of the proceeds of such Debt to the extent provided in Section 36-82-1(d) of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

Voters desiring to vote for the imposition of the SPLOST shall do so by voting "YES" and voters desiring to vote against the imposition of the SPLOST shall do so by voting "NO", as to the question propounded as follows:

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

#### 1% SPLOST ELECTION

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If imposition of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Fannin County, Georgia in the principal amount of \$49,000,000.00 for the purposes of funding all or a portion of any of the Projects."

The several places for holding said election shall be at the regular and established voting precincts of Fannin County, and the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on March 21, 2023, the

date fixed for the election. Those qualified to vote at the election shall be determined in all respects in accordance and in conformity with the Constitution and statutes of the United States of America and of the State of Georgia.

The last day to register to vote in this election is Tuesday, February 21, 2023. Anyone desiring to register may do so by applying in person at the voter registration office in Fannin County located at 400 West Main Street, Suite 301, Blue Ridge, Georgia 30513, or by any other method authorized by the Georgia Election Code.

Those residents of Fannin County qualified to vote at said election shall be determined in all respects in accordance with the election laws of the State of Georgia.

This \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

BOARD OF REGISTRATIONS AND  
ELECTIONS OF FANNIN COUNTY,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

To be published on February 15, February 22, March 1, March 8, and March 15, 2023

### COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned County Clerk of Fannin County, Georgia (the "County"), keeper of the records and seal thereof, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution approved and adopted by majority vote of the Board of Commissioners of Fannin County in meeting assembled on January 24, 2023, the original of which resolution has been entered in the official records of the County under my supervision and is in my official possession, custody, and control.

I further certify that said meeting was held in conformity with the requirements of Title 50, Chapter 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.



Sherrill Walker  
County Clerk

ORDER

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FANNIN

The Board of Registrations and Elections of Fannin County, Georgia, as Election Superintendent for Fannin County, having been furnished with a certified copy of the resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Fannin County, adopted on January 24, 2023, requesting the undersigned to call an election on March 21, 2023, relative to the imposition of a one percent county special purpose local option sales and use tax and issuance of the general obligation debt described in said resolution, does hereby call said election on March 21, 2023, and orders and directs that the form of election notice contained in said resolution and required by law to be published in connection with the election and the issuance of said general obligation debt be published as provided by law.

This \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

BOARD OF REGISTRATIONS AND  
ELECTIONS OF FANNIN COUNTY,  
GEORGIA

(S E A L)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman



**JAMESTHOMAS**  
HEATING AND COOLING

JAMES THOMAS Heating & Cooling has paid applicable sales and use tax on purchases of parts &/or materials used in this contract for service, repair or installation & any additional local county tax, if the purchased item was used in another jurisdiction with a higher rate than the rate of the county in which JAMES THOMAS Heating & Cooling is located. A 3% Convenience Fee is assessed on ALL credit card payments.



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners  
Special Called Meeting  
January 30th, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Via Zoom – BOC Conference Room**

**OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING:**

Present in meeting were Chairman Jamie Hensley, Post One Commissioner Johnny Searce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson via zoom, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn D. Doss was not present for meeting.

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

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Item #2: Board Discussion/Action on purchase of Public Safety Equipment. Major Keith Bosen & Deputy EMA Director Patrick Cook presented to the Board the purchase and upgrade to the County's radio system. Mr. Cook stated the reason for the Special Called Meeting was to lock the price in as it would increase by 8%. Mr. Cook stated the current price was \$126,192.00 to get the county completely updated to a Kenwood Digital System which included two repeaters. One repeater would be at Brawley Mountain and the other would be at Piney Mountain. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase to be paid with the Public Safety SPLOST in the amount of \$126,192.00. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY:**

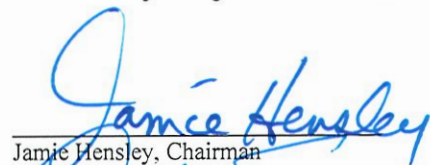

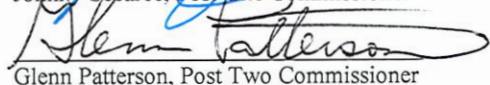
No Public Commentary offered.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**


No need for Executive Session.

**CLOSING:**

Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to be adjourned. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

  
Jamie Hensley, Chairman  
  
Johnny Searce, Post One Commissioner  
  
Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:

  
Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk

