



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Scheduled Meeting  
April 25th, 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 Scarce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn D. Doss.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Pastor Delmar Davenport. Pledge was led by Commissioner Scarce.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item #2: Board approval of the minutes from the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action on Variance Request from Martha Hernandez & Rachel Parianous to build a small home 15 feet from the edge of the road. After discussion, Chairman Hensley made a motion to table the variance request until the next regular scheduled meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item#4: Board Discussion/Action on Variance Request from Samantha Saks to place a home 35 feet from the centerline of the road. The road easement is 55' and to move the house back that distance is not economically feasible. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the variance request. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action – Purchase of Equipment requested by Director of Recreation Eddie O'Neal. Mr. O'Neal approached the Board with a quote from Tim Matthews in the amount of \$7,000 for a Model 1200A Bunker Rake/1397 Hours. Mr. O'Neal stated this would be used for the City of Blue Ridge Park fields. After discussion, Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase in the amount of \$7,000 for the Bunker Rake. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action on Findings by the Study Committee as to the Mountain Top Protection. The Study Committee approached the Board to elaborate on the findings of the Mountain Top Protection ordinance. After discussions, Chairman Hensley stated the Board would review the findings.

Item #7: First Quarter FY2023 Fannin County Financial Report given by Finance Director Sherri L. Walker. Ms. Walker stated for the First Quarter of FY2023 Total Fund Revenues received to date were \$7,443,946.31, Total Fund Expenditures to Date were \$5,731,303.16, Net Revenue over Expenditures were \$1,712,643.15 with overall percentage into budget being 22.9% with no departments over budget. Local Option Sales Tax received YTD was \$1,802,723.62 and SPLOST received YTD was \$2,385,607.68.

Item #8: Board Discussion/Action – Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF). Ms. Walker stated the American Rescue Plan appropriated \$2 billion to Treasury across fiscal years 2022 & 2023 to provide payments to eligible revenue sharing counties and eligible Tribal governments. In 2023, additional funding was available from Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds unclaimed by eligible revenue sharing counties or unobligated Treasury administrative funds, across fiscal years for payments to eligible revenue sharing consolidated governments for use on any governmental purpose, except for a lobbying activity. The purpose of LATCF is to serve as a general revenue enhancement program. So recipients have broad discretion on uses of funds and may treat these funds in a similar manner to how they treat funds generated from their own local revenue. For instance, programs, services, and capital expenditures that are traditionally undertaken by a government and are considered to fulfill a “governmental purpose.” Ms.

Walker stated her recommendation to the Board would be to make a motion to obligate the funds for "traditional governmental purposes" such as programs, services, capital expenditures & other governmental purposes.

Ms. Walker stated the funds received to date were \$337,145.08 and there would be another second tranche payment in the same amount.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to obligate the funds received from the LATCF for "traditional governmental purposes" such as programs, services, capital expenditures & other governmental purposes. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY:**

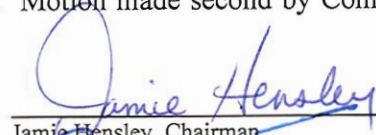
No Public Commentary was made. Closed at 6:32 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**

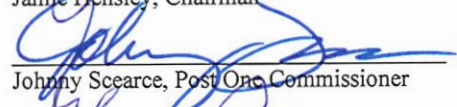
Chairman Hensley stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

**CLOSING:**

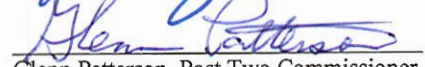
Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:33 p.m.



Jamie Hensley, Chairman

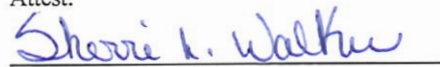


Johnny Scarce, Post One Commissioner



Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:



Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk