

Fannin County Board of Commissioners Regular Scheduled Meeting July 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 Scearce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn D. Doss was present for the meeting.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Post One Commissioner Patterson. The pledge was led by Post Two Commissioner Scearce.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item #2: Board Action on approval of the July 11th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the July 11th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to amend the agenda for Item #3 to be removed and added to agenda at a later date due to timing of Board Appointments. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item#3: Board Discussion/Action – Appointment of Tommy Ledford to the Fannin County Board of Assessors. Removed from agenda by above motion.

Item #4: Board Discussion/Action – Reappointment of Brian Burgess to the Fannin County Board of Assessors. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Board appointment of Brian Burgess. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action – Appointment of Amber Twiggs to the Fannin County Economic Development Authority Board. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the appointment of Amber Twiggs. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action – Director of Recreation Eddie O'Neal – Bid Opening for the Fannin County Recreation Complex at Blue Ridge City Park are as follows: Georgia Mountain Pool Company, Base Bid \$3,838,000, 1st Alternate \$3,802,000, 2nd Alternate \$3,763,000, Integrated Properties, LLC, Base Bid \$3,697,000, 1st Alternate \$3,575,288, 2nd Alternate \$3,577,160, Cooper & Company General Contractors, Base Bid \$3,990,000, 1st Alternate \$3,930,000, 2nd Alternate \$3,920,000. Mr. O'Neal recommended the award be tabled until the next Regular Scheduled Meeting so bids could be reviewed. Mr. O'Neal also presented to the Board a proposed design of the Pool & Splashpad. Mr. O'Neal also stated the project would be funded with Tourism Product Development funds through the Chamber of Commerce and SPLOST. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to table the bid award until the next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #7: Board Discussion/Action – Building Inspector Keith Nicholson regarding new Permitting & Inspection Program Proposal. Building Inspector Keith Nicholson presented to the Board the proposal in the amount of \$22,799.79 for Software, Programming, Training and Installation which also included Field Technology Equipment for the Building Department. Mr. Nicholson stated this would alleviate all the paperwork which would make the job easier in transmitting all the necessary information to the other departments involved. Mr. Nicholson stated the company would ask for half the cost to be paid up front in the amount of \$13,800.00 and would ask for the remaining portion at the first of next year. Mr. Nicholson also asked for the budget for the Building Department to be amended for the extra cost. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase of the equipment. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the FY2023 Budget amendment for the Building Department in the amount of \$13,800.00. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Items #8: Board Discussion/Action – Additions/Deletions to the Fannin County Road List. Chairman Hensley stated there was not a need for any road additions or deletions at this time.

Item #9: FY2023 Financial Report for 2nd Quarter – Finance Director Sherri L. Walker. Total Fund Revenues received to date: \$11,561,064.00, Total Fund Expenditures received to date: \$10,313,468.97, Net Revenue over Expenditures: \$1,247,595.03 with an Overall Percentage Into Budget: 40.9% with no Departments over budget.

Item #10: Board Discussion/Action – Resolution for opening new bank accounts for the 2023 SPLOST. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Resolution for opening the new 2023 SPLOST Collections Accounts to begin in November. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

No Public Commentary was made. Public Commentary closed at 6:50 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Chairman Hensley stated there was a need for Executive Session. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to enter into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Chairman Hensley stated the topics were Personnel and Real Estate with no action taken.

CLOSING:

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Jamie Hensley, Chairmer

Johnny Scearce, Jost One Commissioner

Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:

Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk