



**Fannin County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Scheduled Meeting  
January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 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 via telephone, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn D. Doss.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Chairman Hensley. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Post One Commissioner Johnny Searce.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item #2: Board approval of the minutes from the December 12th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the December 12th, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action on Software for Lodging Tax on Short Term Rentals. Lodging Administrator Debbie Jackson approached the Board to present a new software company for the processing of Short Term Rental Lodging Certificates. The quote was in the amount of \$167,342.99 from GovOS. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to accept the quoted price. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #4: Board Discussion/Action on Purchase of Vehicles. Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff approached the Board regarding two vehicles from Bill Holt Chevrolet. One quote was for a 2021 Ford F250 in the amount \$44,941.00 and the second quote was for 2021 Ford F250 in the amount of \$52,341.00. Chairman Hensley made a motion first for the vehicles to be paid out of Public Works SPLOST in the amount of \$44,941.00 and \$52,341.00 for both vehicles. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action on Fannin County Road List. Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff stated there were no additions or deletions of Roads from the County Road System at the present time.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action – Emergency Repair on Ladder Truck. Fire Chief Larry Thomas approached the Board for approval to proceed with emergency repairs to the Ladder Truck in the amount of \$19,966.00 from FireLine, Inc. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion. Motion made first by Commissioner Searce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously. Repairs to be paid out of Public Safety SPLOST.

Item #7: Board Discussion/Action Purchase of Vehicle. Deputy EMA Director Patrick Cooke approached the Board regarding the purchase of a 2024 4x4 Dodge Ram Truck from Jackie Jones Dodge in the amount of \$49,673.00 to be paid out of ARPA. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #8: Board Discussion/Action on Lease Agreement Between Fannin County BOC & Fannin County Health Department on vehicle. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to table this item until January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #9: Board Discussion/Action on Fannin County Library Contract with TSW. County Attorney Lynn Doss elaborated on the specifics of the contract with TSW. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the contract with TSW. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #10: Board Discussion/Action on Resolution Setting Qualifying Fees for the 2024 Election & Authorizing Publication of Same. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt the Resolution of the

2024 Election & Authorizing Publication of Same. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #11: Board Discussion/Action on Changing time of the Regular Scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to change time of the Regular Scheduled Board Meetings to 5:30 p.m. starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. 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. Motion made first by Chairman Hensley to enter into Executive Session. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously. Entered into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.

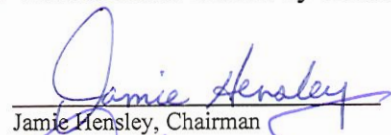
Motion made first by Chairman Hensley to come out of Executive Session. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

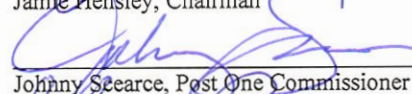
Chairman Hensley stated the discussion was regarding real estate with no action taken.

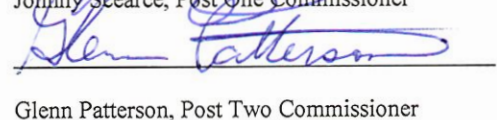
Chairman Hensley made a motion first to enter into an agreement to buy property in McCaysville being Fire Station #4 with an adjacent large storage facility. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

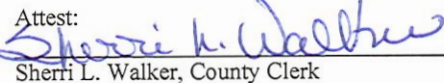
**CLOSING:**

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

  
Jamie Hensley, Chairman

  
Johnny Searce, Post One Commissioner

  
Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:  
  
Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk