

Fannin County Board of Commissioners Regular Scheduled Meeting February 13th, 2024 @ 5:30 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.

Item #1: Invocation was led by Larry Cox. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Post One Commissioner Johnny Scearce.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item #2: Board approval of the minutes from the January 23rd, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the January 23rd, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Glenn Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #3: Board Discussion/Action: Executive Director Sherry Morris with Fannin County Family Connections regarding Fiscal Agent for Fannin County. Ms. Morris stated this would be for Fiscal Year 2025 starting July 1st, 2024 thru June 30th, 2025. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve being Fiscal Agent for the Family Connections. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #4: Board Discussion/Action: Adoption of revisions to Fannin County Ordinances as follows:

Land Development Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion to table ordinance for further discussion. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Building & Electrical Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Driveway Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

E911 Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Dilapidated Building Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Manufactured Homes Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce.

Mobile Home & Recreational Vehicle Parks Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion to table this ordinance for further discussions. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Scrap Tire Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Septic Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions with the correction of O.C.G.A. section of ordinance. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Signs Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Solid Waste Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Speed Limit Ordinance: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt ordinance revisions. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #5: Board Discussion/Action: Variance request from Phillip & Carol Noyes to place a garage 14 feet from the edge of Price Road and 19 feet from the centerline. Chairman Hensley made a motion to table the variance until the next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #6: Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from Deluxton Blue Ridge Mountains, LLC to request the interior road from 40 to 25 feet of right way. Ordinance states 12 units per acre where water & sewer is present to allow the construction of townhomes. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the variance request pending the lifting of the Moratorium on Extensive Land Use. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #7: Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from Jeffrey Scott Duncan & Holly Lee to build a garage 18 feet from the edge of Fawn Trail & 25 feet from the centerline. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #8: Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from Wind River Properties to build within 30 feet of Wild Goose Lane. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion to approve the variance request. Motion made first by Commissioner Patterson. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #9: Board Discussion/Action: Memorandum of Understanding between Fannin County and Fannin County Economic Development Authority. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the MOU with Fannin County Economic Development Authority for the County to establish and maintain liability insurance, of all types, on any and all buildings constructed, owned or leased by the Authority. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #10: Board Discussion/Action: Recreation Director Eddie O'Neal regarding Pool & Gym Fees. Chairman Hensley made a motion to approved fees for Pool & Gym. (see Exhibit "A" with Resolution). Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #11: Board Discussion/Action: Land Development Marie Woody – Resolution on Hazardous Waste Trust Fund Application for Reimbursement. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund Resolution & Agreement. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #12: Board Discussion/Action: Fire Chief Larry Thomas & Deputy EMA Director Patrick Cooke – Approval of Equipment Bid. Fire Chief Larry Thomas & Deputy EMA Director Patrick Cooke approached the Board for approval to bid out for Two 2000 Gallon Tankers/Tender Apparatus and One 4000 Gallon Tanker/Tender Apparatus. Chairman Hensley made a motion first approve the bid proposal. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #13: Board Discussion/Action: Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff – Purchase of Equipment. Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff approached the Board for a quote on two (2) Aardvark Gatormade Trailers in the amount of \$29,980.00, each \$13,490.00. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase of the trailers in the amount of \$29,980.00 from SPLOST funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ratcliff also proposed the quote from B & B Site Works for cutting trees from white line to 75' high from Deep Gap down and back for a total of 2 miles & Old Hwy. 76 from Loving Road 1 mile out and back. This would include Traffic Control and Brush & Chips to be removed. The total cost would be \$52,000. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the quote in the amount of \$52,000 from SPLOST funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Scearce. Motion passed unanimously.

Item #14: Board Discussion/Action: Resolution & Interlocal Agreement between State of North Carolina County of Cherokee, State of Tennessee County of Polk, & State of Georgia County of Fannin. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Resolution for Fannin County ARISE Planning Grant Application, Three Corners EDP Multi-State Infrastructure Project & Interlocal Agreement. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Public Commentary was Joe Webb & Debbie Holcomb. Public Commentary closed at 7:09 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 Scearce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Jamie Hensley, Chairman

cearce, Post One Commissioner

Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Sherri L. Walker, County Clerk