



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday February 14, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Emergency Services and Administration Building

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
4. WELCOME
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
 - 01/24/2023 Regular Meeting
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
January Financial Report
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Ordinance Establishing a County Marshal's Office (Code Enforcement) (3rd and Final Reading)
 - b) Redistricting Map Adoption
 - c) Adoption of 2022 Comprehensive Plan
 - d) Candidate interviews/Board of Tax Assessors item removed
 - e) Bid Opening – Payne's Creek Lawn Maintenance
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Abandonment of Thornton Baker Road
 - b) Refuge Collection (Wood products) Discussion
 - c) Chapter 18, Building and Building Regulations, Third Party Inspectors (Ordinance addition)
 - d) Road Department Request/purchase Bobcat Planer
 - e) Amend Public Transit Job Descriptions
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met February 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

Chairman Marshall Sayer presided with Commissioners Jeff Brown and Joey Dorsey in attendance. Commissioner Bennett was out of town; Commissioner Teasley was out due to his father in law passing.

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by Commissioner Dorsey.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Call to Order

Chairman Sayer called the meeting to order.

4. Welcome

Chairman Sayer welcomed those in attendance.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Brown moved to amend and approve the agenda to remove item 12 d); add 12 e) Bid Opening – Payne’s Creek Lawn Maintenance. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
o 1/24/2023 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the January 24, 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

7. Remarks by Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

8. Reports by Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

None

9. January Financial Report

County Administrator Terrell Partain presented General Fund Financial Report for the month ending January 31, 2023; and reported a grant funding is available through DNR for Recreation at 50% match.

Commissioner Dorsey recommended Recreation Advisory Board’s involvement for the DNR grant and use funds from Payne’s Creek fees for the 50% matching funds.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sayer wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day; offered condolences to the Teasley, Crittenden family.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Brown offered condolences to the Teasley family.

Commissioner Dorsey reported it time to update the No Thru Truck Ordinance; weight limit on secondary roads for commercial trucks; offered condolences to families of Gary Mize; Judge George Bryant; Willie Joe Ramsey and Faye Broome.

12. Old Business

- a) Ordinance Establishing a County Marshal's Office (Code Enforcement) (3rd and Final Reading)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to accept the 3rd and final reading Ordinance Establishing a County Marshal's Office. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

- b) Redistricting Map Adoption

Chairman Sayer explained redistricting is based upon equal number of people in each district; not about elections or race; the map has to be submitted to State Legislators by March 6 in order to be approved; Representative Powell suggested displaying the map at the courthouse for review along with the other map.

Chairman Sayer moved to conduct a town hall meeting at the courthouse for the proposed redistricting may. Motion died from lack of a second.

Commissioner Dorsey reported the goal for redistricting is for equal representation in each district; and redistricting maps are drawn up by the State Appropriation Committee.

County Administrator Partain responded the only involvement the county has is to verify addresses.

Commissioner Brown moved to adopt the first draft of the redistricting map. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

- c) Adoption of 2022 Comprehensive Plan

Chairman Sayer moved to adopt 2022 Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

- d) Candidate interviews/Board of Tax Assessors – item was removed from the agenda

- e) Bid Opening – Payne's Creek Lawn Maintenance

The BOC opened sealed bids from Lake Hartwell Lawn Care; Evans Landscaping LLC; Blade Runner Outdoor Services, LLC; Tallent Lawn Services, LLC and Lake Pro Property Services, LLC were received.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to defer the bids to Administrator Partain for review and recommendation. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

13. New Business

a) Request for Abandonment of Thornton Baker Road

Commissioner Dorsey moved to start proceed with abandonment process. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

b) Refuge Collection (Wood products) Discussion

No action was taken.

c) Chapter 18, Building and Building Regulations, Third Party Inspectors (Ordinance addition)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to adopt 1st reading Ordinance addition Chapter 18, Building & Building Regulations, Third Party Inspectors. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

d) Discussion Concerning the Lack of Storage Space Sheriff, Coroner, General Government Departments

Consensus of the BOC was utilizing Opioid and ARPA funds for storage space project.

e) Road Department Request/purchase Bobcat Planer

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve the purchase a Bobcat Planer from SPLOST funds. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

f) Amend Public Transit Job Descriptions

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the amended Public Transit Job Descriptions. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

g) Letter of Opposition for Increase Truck Weight Limit

Chairman Sayer moved to draft a letter opposing increase truck weight limit to Representative Powell, Senator Anderson, Governor Kemp and to the Editor of The Hartwell Sun. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

14. Public Comment

Kim Herron of Gumpsters LLC announced grants are available to teach public school students how to recycle.

15. Executive Session – Litigation

Commissioner Dorsey moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss litigation matters. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Dorsey moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lawana Kahn, County Clerk