



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday June 8, 2021
6:00 p.m.

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
4. WELCOME
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
 - 5/25/2021 Reg Meeting
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
May Financial Report
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Amendment to Chapter 46 Land Development Standards Article V. – Requirements for Streets and Other Rights-of-Way (2nd Reading)
 - b) Animal Control Ordinance Amendment (3rd and Final Reading)
 - c) Replacement Ambulance for EMS
 - d) Georgia Mountains Regional Commission Board Appointment (BOC) (Tabled 5/25/21)
 - e) Open Records Open Meeting Training
 - f) Floor Covering – Tax Commissioners' Office
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) FY 22 Hart Transit and Avita Community Partners Service Agreement
 - b) Old Hendry's Church Cemetery
 - c) Joint City County Meeting Discussion
 - d) Harbor Point Road - C&A Adventures, LLC Subdivision (Parcel C65 013)
 - e) FY 22 Public Defender Agreement
 - f) Permission to bid Recreational Photography for Football and Cheerleading
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met June 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

Chairman Marshall Sayer presided with Commissioners Michael Bennett, Frankie Teasley, Ricky Carter and Joey Dorsey in attendance.

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 Dorsey moved to amend and approve the agenda to remove item 12 j) Wisteria Cove, add 12 j) Floor covering – Tax Commissioner’s Office; 15 Executive Session – Litigation. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- 5/25/2021 Reg Meeting

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

Matt Beasley commended Recreation Director Jim Owens for his service; expressed appreciation to the BOC for their participation in promoting tourism, MEGA ramp and for their service to Hart County.

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

Attorney Walter Gordon commended Rhea Dignam for the research she provided the Corp of Engineers involving their Master Plan leading to a letter from the BOC requesting them to review their population projections for Hart County. The Corp has indicated a favorable response.

9. County Administrator’s Report
May Financial Report

County Administrator Terrell Partain gave a summary of the General Fund and Payne's Creek Campground financial report for the month of May; reported Stratton Brothers Construction has ground up Orchard Road, adding base, crusher run and will pave the road next year.

10. Chairman's Report

None

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Teasley has received calls concerning growth around road signs; commended EMS, Law Enforcement, Fire and all other county employees for their service.

Commissioner Carter reported tree limb problems over county roads. Administrator Partain responded the side arm has limited height to reach limbs.

Commissioner Carter inquired about the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Grant. Administrator Partain responded the Chamber of Commerce is checking on the grant; Archway students would need to be involved in design work. However, it is impossible to submit the grant application by August.

Commissioner Carter inquired about bids for the fire department. Administrator Partain responded a meeting is scheduled to discuss purchasing the building through State Contract.

Commissioner Carter reported there are grants available for Fire Departments; window was broken out at Shoal Creek Fire Department and read a letter from David Cagle.

Commissioner Dorsey responded David Cagle was ruled out of order multiple times; and slandered some of the members of the BOC publicly.

Commissioner Dorsey commended Little League for sponsoring the All-Star Tournament.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to enact a 120-day moratorium to issue permits for rendering plant(s). Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dorsey thanked Road Superintendent Shannon Teasley's crew for patching performed in Bowersville; and inquired about the process by which Municipalities share building permits with Hart County. Administrator Partain has discussed permitting with Bowersville; Code Enforcement has issued a number of citations for failure to acquire a building permit.

12. Old Business

- a) Amendment to Chapter 46 Land Development Standards Article V. – Requirements for Streets and Other Rights-of-Way (2nd Reading)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to accept the 2nd Reading Amendment to Chapter 46 Land Development Standards Article V. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Animal Control Ordinance Amendment (3rd and Final Reading)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to accept the 3rd and final reading Animal Control Ordinance Amendment. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-1 (Commissioner Carter opposed).

- c) Replacement Ambulance for EMS

Commissioner Dorsey moved to ratify the purchase of a replacement ambulance through State contract. Chairman Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Georgia Mountains Regional Commission Board Appointment (BOC) (Tabled 5/25/21)

Commissioner Teasley moved to remove the item from the table. Chairman Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-1

Chairman Sayer moved to re-appoint Commissioner Carter to serve on GA. Mtns. Regional Commission Board. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-1 (Commissioner Dorsey opposed).

- e) Open Records Open Meetings Training

Commissioner Dorsey announced he will conduct another Open Records Open Meetings Training Session June 24 or June 29, 2021.

- f) Floor Covering – Tax Commissioner’s Office

Commissioner Dorsey moved to award the replacement floor covering to Hartwell Flooring per quote of \$7,515.05. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business

- a) FY22 Hart Transit and Avita Community Partners Service Agreement

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve FY22 Avita Community Partners Service Agreement. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Old Hendry’s Church Cemetery

Commissioner Dorsey reported Old Hendry’s Church cemetery is the oldest in Hart County; no ownership to maintain it and according to State Law counties can maintain abandoned cemeteries.

Commissioner Dorsey moved for County Administrator Partain to reach out to Whitworth Parole Center to seek assistance for a crew to maintain the cemetery. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Joint City County Meeting Discussion

Chairman Sayer moved to schedule a quarterly meeting with the City of Hartwell officials at the Literacy Center. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Harbor Point Road – C&A Adventures, LLC Subdivision (Parcel C65 013)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve Harbor Point Road Subdivision. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- e) FY 22 Public Defender Agreement

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve FY 22 Public Defenders Agreement contingent upon the remaining Northern Judicial Circuit counties approval and Chairman Sayer to execute the agreement. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

f) Permission to bid Recreation Photography for Football and Cheerleading

Commissioner Dorsey moved to bid out Recreation Photography. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

14. Public Comment

None

15. Executive Session – Litigation

Commissioner Dorsey moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss litigation matters. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to reconvene the regular meeting session. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Dorsey moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lawana Kahn, County Clerk