



Hart County Board of Commissioners  
Tuesday February 8, 2022  
6:00 p.m.

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
4. WELCOME
  - Executive Session – Real Estate
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
  - 01/25/2022 Reg Meeting
  - 02/01/2022 Called Meeting
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES  
Wise HYDRA, Dir. EMS Wilkes County, Blake Thompson, Magistrate Judge Thomas Jordan
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT  
January 22 Financial Report
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
  - a) Wheeled Loader Bid Award
  - b) Fire Turnout Gear Bid Award
13. NEW BUSINESS
  - a) Letter of Opposition to House or Senate bill allowing Oversized Trucks
  - b) New Truck for Health Department
  - c) Class A (private clubs and restaurants) Beer and Wine License Application 2022, Charles A. Findley, DBA El Parian Mexican Parrilla and Grill Zion CME Church Rd., Hartwell, GA
  - d) Subdivision Plat Approval, Singleton (Twelve Oaks Road)
  - e) Distilled Spirits Application 2022, Charles A. Findley, DBA El Parian Mexican Parrilla and Grill Zion CME Church Rd., Hartwell, GA
  - f) Subdivision Plat Approval Aldaweta, Inc. (Bethany Bowersville Rd)
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – litigation - Personnel
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met February 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 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 Chairman Sayer.

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

- Executive Session – Real Estate

Commissioner Teasley moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss real estate matters and allow the presence of a non-member of the BOC. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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

Commissioner Dorsey moved to authorize County Administrator Terrell Partain to sign a lease agreement with Reed Creek Baptist Church for use of the old school facility for voting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Teasley moved to amend and approve the agenda to include item 7) Wilkes County EMS Director Blake Thompson; Magistrate Court Judge Thomas Jordan. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- 01/25/2022 Reg Meeting
- 02/01/2022 Called Meeting

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve January 25, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve February 1, 2022 called meeting minutes. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

Wise HYDRA, Wilkes County EMS Director Blake Thompson, Magistrate Court Judge Thomas Jordan

Wilkes County EMS Director Blake Thompson commended Administrator Partain, EMS personnel for everything they did during the tragic loss of a Wilkes County citizen occurring in Hart County.

HYDRA Director Mindy Wise thanked the BOC for approving the building renovations to serve local youth with after school programs, break camps and summer camps; HYDRA is funded by grants, local fund raising and the proceeds of the music festival.

Magistrate Judge Thomas Jordan reported the Magistrate Court has implemented \$25 service fee on Application for Writ of Possession upon the BOC approval.

Chairman Sayer moved to set a \$25 service fee upon an application for Writ of Possession through the Magistrate Court system. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Reports By Constitution Officers & Department Heads  
None

9. County Administrator's Report  
January 2022 Financial Report

County Administrator Partain gave general fund financial report for the month of January; and announced the Polar Bear Plunge will take place February 26, 2022

10. Chairman's Report  
None

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Bennett thanked everyone for their service and for the public attendance during the meetings.

Commissioner Carter inquired about the status of census. Administrator Partain responded the issue has been discussed with GA Mtns Regional Commission.

Commissioner Carter reported housing industry is one of the largest employers in the county generating revenues for the local economy.

Commissioner Dorsey responded agriculture growth adds .34 per dollar, business/industrial adds .50 per dollar and residential growth is a loss of \$1.20; which takes a toll on all businesses; Anderson County is proposing an impact fee on future development to manage growth.

12. Old Business  
a) Wheeled Loader Bid Award

Chairman Sayer moved to award the bid of \$149,975 less \$7,000 trade in to Yancey Brothers. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Fire Turnout Gear Bid Award

Commissioner Teasley moved to award the bid of \$129,750 to Bennett Fire Products. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business

- a) Letter of Opposition to House or Senate bill allowing Oversized Trucks

Commissioner Dorsey moved to draft a letter to Senator Lee Anderson and Representative Alan Powell opposing oversized trucks on county-maintained roads. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) New Truck for Health Department

Commissioner Teasley moved to allow the purchase of a new truck for the Health Department Environmental officer. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Class A (private clubs and restaurants) Beer and Wine License Application 2022, Charles Findley, DBA El Parian Mexican Parrilla and Grill Zion CME Church Rd., Hartwell, GA

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve Charles Findley's beer and wine license application. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Subdivision Plat Approval, Singleton (Twelve Oaks Road)

Commissioner Carter moved to approve Chad Singleton's subdivision plat (Twelve Oaks Road). Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-1 (Commissioner Bennett opposed).

- e) Distilled Spirits Application 2022, Charles A. Findley, DBA El Parian Mexican Parrilla and Grill Zion CME Church Rd., Hartwell, GA

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve Charles Findley's distilled spirits application. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- f) Subdivision Plat Approval Aldaweta, Inc. (Bethany Bowersville Rd)

Chairman Sayer moved to approve the subdivision plat for Aldaweta, Inc. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion.

Commissioner Dorsey remarked the Comprehensive Plan clearly defines the area as rural agriculture; rural area typically has larger lots; in addition, safety issues with additional traffic in an area located near a curve and hill.

Resident across from the proposed subdivision voiced his concern about the number of driveways and the development doesn't fit what is currently in the area.

Developer Kenny Whitworth remarked he has done everything to meet the subdivision criteria; house to the left of the property is owned by a family member and site distance is not been a problem.

Chairman Sayer called for the vote. The motion carried 3-2 (Commissioners Bennett and Dorsey opposed).

#### 14. Public Comment

Jay Floyd cautioned the BOC concerning criteria used to determine subdivisions.

Kenny Whitworth commented about the issue with the homes on Mt. Hebron Road that were brought to the BOC's attention; the Health Department approved perk tests; well issue was

resolved. However, one of the homeowners regraded his lot, removed the swell which caused drainage issues for adjoining properties.

15. Executive Session – litigation – Personnel

Commissioner Bennett moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss litigation/personnel matters and allow a non-member of the BOC to attend. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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

16. Adjournment

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

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Marshall Sayer, Chairman

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Lawana Kahn, County Clerk