



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday September 13, 2022
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)
 - 08/23/2022 Regular Meeting
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7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
August Financial Report
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Consider the adoption of a resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Association County Commissioners of Georgia and the issuance of Certificates of Participation relating to such lease agreement and the execution of various documents related thereto.
 - b) 2023 General Fund Budget
 - c) GDOT intersection review
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Amendment to Chapter 6, ARTICLE I., Sec. 6-64. (a) - Application to be made annually, Sec. 6-76. (a) (2) - Employee/server regulations, Sec. 6-84. (d) - Authority of county to levy tax
 - b) Patricia Clarke Aguirre Request for use of Courthouse Grounds for Voter Registration Drive
 - c) CRISI Grant Letter of Support GMRC request for assistance
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel
16. ADJOURNMENT

Hart County Board of Commissioners
August 23, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Hart County Board of Commissioners met August 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

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

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by Commissioner Brown.

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, Commissioners Bennett, Teasley and Dorsey offered a special welcome to Commissioner Brown.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Teasley moved to amend and approve the agenda to include items 12 e) Bishop Variance Request; 13 d) Sheriff Request Credit for Experience – Jail; 13 e) Grant Application – COVID supplies – Jail. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- 08/09/2022 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022 regular meeting. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

None

9. County Administrator's Report

None

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sayer gave an update on request for GDOT concerning rumble strips and curve ahead sign; GDOT is researching and will respond later.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Bennett thanked the Road Department personnel for their assistance with road issues in District 1.

Commissioner Teasley received complaints about trash bags at the convenience centers and inquired about the handicap ramp at the Library. County Administrator Terrell Partain responded he will get with Greg Howell concerning the trash bags; the handicap ramp is accessible to the sidewalk.

Commissioner Brown thanked the voters in District 4 and looking forward to serving on the board.

Commissioner Dorsey reported traffic counters on Hwy 51 will be removed Thursday.

12. Old Business

- a) Amendment to Article VIII Section 66 – Exhibit A, Addition of Bass Road, Turner Road, and St. James Road to No Through Traffic list of roads (3rd and Final Reading)

Commissioner Bennett moved to adopt the 3rd and Final Reading Amendment to Article VIII Section 66 – Exhibit A to include Bass Road, Turner Road and St. James Road to No Through Traffic list of roads. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Parcel No. C40 094, House of Sisters plat (grandfather 3/8/22) final Approval

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve Parcel No. C40 094 House of Sisters plat which was grandfathered March 8, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Lawn Maintenance Discussion

Commissioner Bennett moved for Administrator Partain to consult with Charles Rice to consider options for lawn maintenance on the courthouse grounds. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Compensatory Time Discussion

Commissioner Dorsey moved that compensatory time should be approved by Administrator Partain. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- e) Bishop Variance

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve Bishop's 17' setback variance from the front of the property line. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business

- a) Pickleball Court Lighting Bid

Commissioner Dorsey moved to put out for bid lighting for the Pickleball Court. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Road Abandonment request of lower end section of Seawright Ln.

Commissioner Teasley moved to proceed with the abandonment request of lower end section of Seawright Lane. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Mark Klemka, Road Abandonment request lower end section of Rhodella Drive

Chairman Sayer stated the road is on a school bus route and is used by other individuals to access their property.

Mr. Klemka stated neighboring property owners have an access; he is wanting to build a bridge over the road to expand his business.

Resident Garry Hamilton stated the lower end of Rhodella Drive is a driveway to his property.

No action was taken.

d) Sheriff Request for Experience – Jail

Commissioner Dorsey moved to grant 10 years credit for experience for David Robertson. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

e) Grant Application – COVID supplies – Jail

Commissioner Teasley moved to accept a grant from Ga. Southern of \$12,500 for COVID supplies for the Jail. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

14. Public Comment

Andrea Yeater of Heathwood Circle addressed growth issues in Heathwood Circle, Heath Cove and Wren Road areas of the county; referenced a five-year plan for roads and asked for a plan to improve gravel roads.

Commissioner Dorsey explained road funding has been limited; in addition, state motor fuel tax has been suspended which decreases funds available for road projects; county can not keep up with road projects; asphalt prices continuing to increase; lack of equipment and man power available.

Steven Elgin complained about the condition of Weaver Road and asked for assistance.

15. Executive Session – Personnel

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

Commissioner Teasley moved to reconvene the regular meeting session. Commissioner Bennett 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

FY 2022 Budget Financial Dashboard

FY 2022 Budget Financial Dashboard									
FY 2022 Budget Financial Dashboard	April	May	June	July	August	YTD	TARGET	GAP to TARGET	% GAP to
Revenues	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446				
Expenditures	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446	\$1,159,446				
Actual Revenue	\$1,055,397	\$776,598	\$1,141,654	\$743,378	\$705,135	\$14,548,046	\$12,753,911	\$1,794,135	14%
Actual Expenses	\$1,254,759	\$1,467,031	\$1,500,297	\$1,004,515	\$1,134,833	\$13,109,905	\$12,753,911	\$355,995	3%
Monthly Variance	-\$199,362	-\$690,433	-\$358,643	-\$261,137	-\$429,698	\$1,438,140		\$1,438,140	
YTD (Reserve Drawdown)	\$3,178,051	\$2,487,618	\$2,128,976	\$1,867,838	\$1,438,140				
Real Property (Target \$499K)	\$121,771	\$13,935	\$14,440	\$9,997	\$10,867	\$5,850,428	\$5,489,000	\$361,428	
LOST (Target \$254K)	\$353,365	\$354,568	\$346,416	\$381,846	\$394,255	\$3,687,855	\$2,794,000	\$893,855	
EMS Fees (Target \$95.8)	\$95,720	\$97,015	\$99,370	\$76,502	\$88,866	\$990,639	\$1,053,800	-\$63,161	
Vehicle Title Fee (Target \$75K)	\$147,475	\$133,098	\$136,717	\$128,537	\$130,102	\$1,498,138	\$825,000	\$673,138	

LEGEND

The Revenue and Expenditure Numbers are Static, Meaning they were as of the original approved Budget on 10/1/2021. They do not reflect changes made to the budget during the budget year.

Changes (approved expenses) by the Board are not shown as an additional amount to the "monthly expenditures". For this budget year some of those include; \$428,266 spent on Jail Design, \$100,500 Spent on used equipment for Road Department and several others. Taking just these two actions into consideration the actual status of the Gap would be well over a positive \$148,158 or 1-2% under budget.

LEGEND

Meets or Exceeds Target
 Variance < 3% or Target
 Variance > 3% of Target

FY 2022 Budget Paynes Creek Dashboard

FY 2022	March	April	May	June	July	August	YTD	TARGET	GAP to TARGET	% GAP to
Revenues	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430				
Expenditures	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430	\$10,430				
Gross Revenue	\$67,152	\$19,159	\$28,112	\$26,683	\$27,167	\$25,430	\$193,701	\$62,580	\$183,271	293%
Cancelations / Refunds	\$5,178	\$3,104	\$4,265	\$5,519	\$5,366	\$2,212	\$25,643		\$25,643	13%
Actual Expenses	\$11,400	\$10,876	\$10,705	\$16,122	\$13,987	\$12,946	\$76,036	\$62,580	-\$23,886	38%
Monthly Variance	\$50,574	\$5,179	\$13,142	\$5,041	\$7,815	\$10,272	\$92,022		\$133,742	
YTD (Reserve Drawdown)	\$50,574	\$55,753	\$68,895	\$73,936	\$81,750	\$92,022				
Camping Fees (Target \$10,430)	\$96,465	\$101,643	\$114,785	\$119,826	\$127,641	\$137,913	\$137,913	\$62,580	\$75,333	
Other (Initial Seed money)							\$0		\$0	

Occupancy

17%

53%

51%

66%

63%

42%

Occupancy

Meets or Exceeds Target

Variance < 3% or Target

Variance > 3% of Target

Note:

Expenses for Both Paynes Creek campground and public section, and Miltown Park are paid from this account

Meets or Exceeds Target

Variance < 3% or Target

Variance > 3% of Target

BUILDING PERMITS						
	April	May	June	July	August	Total
New Residential	13	27	8	6	12	66
All Others	25	14	24	24	29	116
Total	38	41	32	30	41	182



MEMORANDUM

Terrell Partain,
County Administrator
September 9, 2022

RE: Item 12 A Consider the adoption of a resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Association County Commissioners of Georgia and the issuance of Certificates of Participation relating to such lease agreement and the execution of various documents related thereto.

The County Attorney will present a Resolution for consideration to Authorize Chairman Sayer to sign the Lease Agreement with the Association of County Commissioners and other documents related to the new jail.

BUDGET WORKSHEET FISCAL YEAR											
HART COUNTY GENERAL FUND											
EXPENSE SUMMARY											
	Actual 2019	Actual 2020	Actual 2021	Month Actual 2022	Project 2022	Budget 2022	Dept. Request 2023	Admin. Rec. 2023	Comm Approve 2023	Admin. Cuts fr. Request	comm cuts Admin Rec
General Government	67,859	54,526	80,680	101,882	122,259	182,812	183,350	161,994	161,994	(21,356)	0
Executive (Board of Comm)	358,389	367,441	414,853	404,955	481,450	529,514	512,485	523,484	523,484	10,998	(6,031)
Board of Elections	92,311	161,330	153,623	119,964	143,056	135,444	143,776	136,876	136,876	(6,900)	0
Financial Administration	55,928	55,928	86,900	80,460	80,000	80,000	82,000	82,000	82,000	0	0
Law	5,208	77,813	68,735	74,644	89,573	40,000	55,000	50,000	50,000	(5,000)	0
Data Processing / Misc	136,154	163,859	215,301	139,990	93,958	187,076	213,172	198,172	198,172	(15,000)	0
Tax Commissioner	290,309	277,159	315,859	227,313	294,862	292,297	358,724	309,767	309,767	(48,957)	0
Tax Assessors	526,473	517,491	555,542	454,936	545,924	552,889	577,189	560,660	560,660	(16,529)	0
Risk Management	155,768	235,439	178,617	287,726	345,271	170,000	275,000	195,000	195,000	(80,000)	0
Gen Gov Bldgs	142,724	174,975	178,949	164,312	166,465	133,950	168,950	168,950	168,950	0	0
General Administration fees	5,241	5,127	12,032	5,250	5,127	5,304	5,304	5,304	5,304	0	0
Superior Court	125,541	122,672	128,903	107,259	128,711	117,291	121,275	121,275	121,275	0	0
Clerk of Superior Court	337,832	372,932	395,999	312,431	374,917	371,089	374,194	394,716	394,716	20,522	0
District Attorney	32,932	29,878	38,946	31,794	38,153	61,282	66,000	66,000	66,000	0	0
Magistrate Court	177,505	192,933	195,342	179,934	215,920	217,217	229,065	233,525	233,525	4,460	0
Probate Court	239,751	251,320	251,891	208,719	250,463	276,484	285,489	284,979	284,979	(509)	0
Juvenile Court	40,160	25,082	39,000	29,403	39,204	61,000	64,000	64,000	64,000	0	0
Grand Jury	36,417	13,999	28,096	37,709	50,279	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	0	0
Law Library	1,838	2,254	1,300	950	0	2,000	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0
Public Defender	82,925	82,116	82,061	65,175	86,900	86,900	86,900	86,900	86,900	0	0
Board of Equalization	13,503	7,396	11,199	4,822	6,430	10,425	10,025	10,025	10,025	0	0
Sheriff	2,417,797	2,489,790	2,516,472	2,164,879	2,889,006	2,742,898	3,094,662	2,888,562	2,888,562	(206,100)	0
Jail operations	1,578,436	1,585,910	1,592,030	1,746,736	2,338,381	1,824,981	1,998,747	2,010,747	2,010,747	12,000	0
Adult Corrections	2,472	21,173	53,822	0	0	41,650	41,650	41,650	41,650	0	0
EMS	2,341,421	2,656,723	2,895,273	2,221,636	2,660,763	2,889,074	3,208,270	2,813,770	2,813,770	(394,500)	0
Coroner	22,909	42,243	37,762	28,521	38,028	37,605	39,054	39,054	39,054	0	0
E911	43,531	0	60,319	114,953	137,943	52,312	55,091	55,091	55,091	0	0
GIS	10,894	4,034	6,388	9,219	11,063	19,276	28,345	28,345	28,345	0	0
Animal Control	91,819	95,280	121,945	72,834	97,212	134,059	140,014	88,930	88,930	(51,084)	(45,129)
Emergency Management	69,210	25,267	23,956	18,831	25,108	34,808	33,994	33,994	33,994	0	0
Public Works- ON HOLD SINC	1,175	11,372	13,660	0	0	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	0	0
Highways & Streets	497,771	793,283	726,988	746,655	875,886	931,027	1,747,874	1,146,774	1,146,774	(601,100)	0
Maintenance Shop	565,513	490,086	491,404	430,437	573,916	650,559	608,864	608,864	608,864	0	0
Health Dept	82,111	84,282	81,860	68,423	82,107	83,100	83,100	83,100	83,100	0	0
Welfare/DFACS	30,900	30,900	23,175	12,540	23,100	23,100	30,900	30,900	30,900	0	0
Senior Center	102,479	119,643	88,433	93,949	125,188	144,874	144,732	146,860	146,860	2,129	0
Transit Services	124,096	115,861	185,325	107,499	143,332	135,451	140,924	142,520	142,520	1,595	0
Recreation	310,297	381,008	355,318	284,806	341,767	370,189	534,979	375,002	375,002	(159,977)	0
Library Administration	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000	77,000	90,000	78,600	78,600	(11,400)	0
Agricultural Resources	79,485	93,829	67,667	55,700	66,840	97,891	110,954	110,954	110,954	0	0
Economic Dev & Assistance	55,704	57,936	17,284	48,563	75,427	66,425	66,425	20,585	20,585	(45,840)	0
Airport Authority	3,500	3,500	3,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	10,000	3,500	3,500	(6,500)	8,500
Community Action Programs	0	0	0	0	100	100	100	100	100	0	0
Literacy Center	14,025	14,327	5,852	10,376	12,451	13,650	13,650	13,650	13,650	0	0
Other Financing Uses	287,147	157,932	-234,493	218,077	100,000	133,420	136,300	136,300	136,300	0	0
Audit Adj	752,931	-54,321	238,696								
TOTAL	12,487,389	12,439,526	12,883,464	11,579,761	14,262,040	14,084,920	16,232,728	14,613,678	14,613,678	-1,619,050	-42,660



MEMORANDUM

Terrell Partain,
County Administrator
September 9, 2022

RE: Item 13 A Amendment to Chapter 6, ARTICLE I., Sec. 6-64. (a) - Application to be made annually, Sec. 6-76. (a) (2) - Employee/server regulations, Sec. 6-84. (d) - Authority of county to levy tax

As we begin the first license renewal process, we have found a couple of Administrative changes we are requesting to be amended in the Ordinance.

Sec. 6-64. (a):

- (a) Each license granted under this chapter shall automatically expire on the last day of December each year. The holder of a license must reapply on or before ~~December 31~~ November 15 in order to be considered for renewal effective January 1 of the following year. Since the license is a privilege, there shall be no right to renewal, and a license may be denied for any reason set forth in this chapter.

We ask to change the date for Application to be changed from the 12/31 date to the 11/15 date to allow for time to process the application. The license expires on the 12/31 date if not changed it will delay the renewal past the January 1, date.

Sec. 6-76. (a)

- (2) No person shall be permitted to serve or dispense distilled spirits for consumption on the premises until such person has applied for and received a permit from the Hart County Board of Commissioners' Office. Prior to issuing or renewing said permit, the Hart County Sheriff's Department shall conduct a criminal background check on the applicant and shall collect a nonrefundable investigative fee of \$20.00 from the applicant to offset the cost of this background check. Upon presentation of the criminal history information to the Board of Commissioners' office, the applicant shall pay an additional fee of \$10.00 for the issuance of the permit, which shall be valid ~~for 12 months from the date~~ through December 31 of the year of issue. Permits shall be renewed annually; a criminal background check is required for each renewal, and the fees specified herein shall be paid each time the permit is renewed.

We ask to change the date for servers expiration to match the license expiration date.

6-84. (d)

- (d) ~~On or before the tenth day of the month~~, a return for the preceding calendar month shall be filed with the Board of Commissioners or its authorized agent in

such a form as the Board of Commissioners or its authorized agent may prescribe by every licensee or agent liable for the payment of tax hereunder.

We ask that the remittance date be changed from the 10th to the 15th of the month.



MEMORANDUM

Terrell Partain,
County Administrator
September 9, 2022

RE: Item 13 B Patricia Clarke Aguirre Request for use of Courthouse Grounds for
Voter Registration Drive

See email below:
Good Morning,

Per our phone conversation this morning I am submitting this request to be put on the
Commissioner Meeting on Sep 13th.

I would like to hold a Voter Registration on October 5th at the Courthouse. It would be
outside on the grounds. Of course this is a registration of all voters, not-partisan. I chose
this date for 2 reasons.

1. It is at the beginning of the month and there is a lot of activity for tag renewals etc.
2. There is a court on the docket, and this hopefully would get even more people who
have not previously registered to vote an opportunity to do so.

Since the laws have changed on registration, the only thing I am asking is to use the
facility grounds and an electrical outlet so I can copy the driver's license or State ID. I
will provide the electric cord. I will bring the table, canopy (if needed) and all the forms. I
anticipate no longer than 2-3 hours.

I humbly submit this request.

Patricia Clarke Aguirre
657 Reed Creek Trail, Hartwell GA 30643



MEMORANDUM

Terrell Partain,
County Administrator
September 9, 2022

RE: Item 13 C CRISI Grant Letter of Support GMRC request for assistance

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Attached is a letter of support for the Great Walton Railroad to receive assistance from GMRC in a CRISI grant application.



Hart County Board of Commissioners
800 Chandler Street
Hartwell GA, 30643
(706) 376-2024, 376-9477 (fax)

September 9, 2022

Mrs. Heather Feldman, Executive Director
GA Mountains Regional Commission
P.O. Box 1720
Gainesville, GA 30503

RE: Request for Assistance

Dear Heather:

Hart County is requesting the assistance of the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission in preparing a US Department of Transportation-Federal Railroad Administration – FY2022 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) Grant application for the Great Walton Railroad, Inc.

The County supports this project and hereby authorizes the Commission to work with the Great Walton Railroad, Inc. to prepare and submit an application for this proposed project.

We look forward to working with you and your staff. If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to call Joey Dorsey at 706-376-4224.

Sincerely,

Marshall Sayer, Chairman
Hart County Board of Commissioners

On the web at: www.hartcountyga.gov