



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday January 11, 2022
6:00 p.m.

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, IBA Alternate
4. WELCOME
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
 - 12/14/2021 Reg Meeting
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
December Financial Report
Beginning of Comprehensive Plan Update Process
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Yearly Advertisements for Boards and Authorities Openings
 - b) Whitworth Details Discussion
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) 2022 Qualifying Fees Resolution
 - b) Franklin County Property Tax Reimbursement
 - c) Sheriff's Office request for Credit for Experience
 - d) FY 22 Jail meal bid
 - e) EMS request for approval of a Basic EMT paygrade (there is not one currently)
 - f) Sheriff's Request – Entry Level for Un-Certified Detention Officers
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION –
16. ADJOURNMENT

Hart County Board of Commissioners
January 11, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Hart County Board of Commissioners met January 11, 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 Commissioner Bennett.

2. Pledge Of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Call To Order

Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, IBA Alternate

Commissioner Dorsey moved to nominate Commissioner Sayer to serve as the Chairman. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0 (Commissioner Sayer abstained).

Commissioner Bennett moved to nominate Commissioner Dorsey to serve as the Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0 (Commissioner Dorsey abstained).

Chairman Sayer moved to nominate Commissioner Dorsey to serve as IBA Alternate. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0 (Commissioner Dorsey abstained).

4. Welcome

Chairman Sayer welcomed those in attendance. He will implement five minutes for public comment as a general rule of thumb.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Teasley moved to amend and approve the agenda to include item 13 f) Sheriff request entry level for un-certified detention officers. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- 12/14/2021 Reg Meeting

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve December 14, 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

County Attorney Walter Gordon reported Reed Creek Baptist Church notified the Board of Elections/Registration the lease agreement to use the facility as a voting precinct is terminating. Therefore, the Board of Elections/Registration is considering combining the Hartwell precinct and

Reed Creek precinct to one location; a lease agreement with First United Methodist Church family center has been negotiated; public notifications and public hearings will be held in regards to the proposed change.

Attorney Gordon presented a Short-Term Rental Ordinance to the BOC and ask they consider a stand-alone Noise Ordinance.

8. Reports by Constitutional Officers and Department Heads

None

9. County Administrator's Report
December Financial Report
Beginning of Comprehensive Plan Update Process

County Administrator Terrell Partain presented December General Fund financial report; offered condolences to the families of Morene Sokol, Iotria Lewis and Carol Harvey's mother; announced Chamber of Commerce Award Banquet is scheduled January 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Catechee; Comprehensive Plan Update Process will commence this year; a committee needs to be established from every segment of the county; GA MTNS RC will be conducting meetings; and Building Inspector/Contractors meeting is scheduled January 12, 2022 at the Adult Learning Center at 8:30 a.m.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sayer reported he received numerous emails concerning issues with short term rentals since the previous meeting and the BOC is in the process of getting something done.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Bennett thanked the BOC for their assistance during his first year in office.

Commissioner Teasley commended law enforcement, first responders, EMS and all county employees.

Commissioner Carter inquired about Flat Shoals Road. Administrator Partain responded site work has been completed and waiting for Findley Concrete to fill in the area.

Commissioner Carter reported residents in the new development on Mt. Hebron Road is having septic system issues caused by drainage. Administrator Partain responded EPD issued stop work orders to the developer.

Commissioner Carter inquired about the resolution of support for volunteer fire fighters' requirements. Administrator Partain responded the letter of support is not ready.

Commissioner Dorsey reported Administrator Partain, Archway and Chief Appraiser Patrick will meet to determine the number of vacant lots in Hart County; and reminded property owners 65+ of the increase in homestead exemption to sign up for the exemption.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to hold work sessions every Tuesday afternoon to update the subdivision ordinance. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

12. Old Business

a) Yearly Advertisements for Boards and Authorities Openings

Commissioner Carter moved to start the advertisement process for various boards/authorities' openings. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Whitworth Details Discussion

Administrator Partain reported the contract with Whitworth includes three crews (1 pay and 2 non-pay). He explained Whitworth cannot provide the outside crews due to staffing shortages.

Commissioner Dorsey requested the contract be recorded in the official minutes of the county.

13. New Business

a) 2022 Qualifying Fees Resolution

Commissioner Dorsey moved to adopt the 2022 Qualifying Fees Resolution for the BOC and Board of Education. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Franklin County Property Tax Reimbursement

Commissioner Dorsey moved reimburse Franklin County for property taxes for Gateway One Industrial Park for industries within Franklin County from 2017 – 2021 in the amount of \$40,050.97. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

c) Sheriff's Office request for Credit for Experience

Commissioner Dorsey moved to grant Brady Cooper two years credit for experience and Matthew Guley six years credit for experience. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

d) FY22 Jail meal bid

Administrator Partain reported the county received 30-day written notice from the current food provider ending the contract to provide inmate meals; was given permission to advertise for a new vendor via phone from the BOC January 6, 2022.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to ratify the vote to proceed with the bid process. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion.

Commissioner Dorsey suggested researching to see if it would be feasible to cook the meals in-house.

Chairman Sayer called for the vote. The motion carried 5-0.

e) EMS request for approval of a Basic EMT paygrade (there is not one currently)

EMS Director Mike Adams requested the BOC consider adding a pay grade 10 for an EMT B and move EMT A to pay grade 11; this would benefit the staffing shortage which will allow for an EMT B to drive an ambulance while a paramedic attends patient need.

BOC requested Director Adams put together a long-term needs plan and bring back before them.

f) Sheriff's Request – Entry Level for Non-Certified Detention Officers

Commissioner Dorsey moved to change to grant the Sheriff's request to change the pay grade from Grade 9 to Grade 11.5 for Non-Certified Detention Officers. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

14. Public Comment
None

15. Executive Session
None

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