



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday September 12, 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)
 - 08/22/2023 Regular Meeting
 - 08/29/2023 Called Meeting
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) Amend Article VIII, Sec. 66-203. - Prohibition on through trucks, Exhibit A to add Coldwater Creek Road and Flat Rock Road. (Third and Final Reading)
 - b) Bid Award New Jail Medical Contract
 - c) Bid Award New Jail Food Service Contract
 - d) Amended Resolution Calling for an Election to Impose a County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (Hart County SPLOST VI)
 - e) Duplex Grandfather request Paul Martin
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Dean Farms LLC Tax Refund Parcel C15 022 001 (2020, 2021, 2022)
 - b) Chapter 46 – Land Development Standards (amended) 1st Reading
 - c) Credit for Experience Road Department
 - d) Request to bid Basketball Uniforms (Recreation)
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION –
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met September 12, 2023 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 welcomed those in attendance.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- 08/22/2023 Regular Meeting
- 08/29/2023 Called Meeting

Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the minutes of August 22, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the minutes of August 29, 2023 called meeting. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

- Juvenile Judge Caswell

Judge Caswell explained the Risk Reduction Coordinator contract is being funded with ARPA and the funding source will cease December 31, 2023. Therefore, he is requesting the five counties in the circuit to fund the position.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to provide funding based on case load contingent upon the remaining counties in the circuit agreeing. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

None

9. County Administrator's Report
August Financial Report

County Administrator Terrell Partain presented General Fund financial report for the month ending August 31, 2023; announced Hwy. 29 bridge is open for through traffic.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sayer reflected on September 11, 2011 attack on the World Trade Center, Pentagon and WV plane crash; asked for remembrance of those who lost their lives, their families and commended rescue teams that were involved.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioners Bennett, Teasley, Brown and Dorsey echoed Chairman Sayer's statement.

Commissioner Teasley expressed appreciation to First Responders, Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS employees; concern about cedar trees in right-of-way at Savannah Street/Nancy Drive; and announced State will have a crew bush hogging on Reed Creek Hwy soon.

Commissioner Brown thanked Robin Webb for the invitation to recently attend Regional Meeting and commended her, staff and poll workers for their efforts.

Commissioner Dorsey announced the Hwy. 29 bridge is open; recommended seeking approval to place signs on State Routes for Home of 2023 National Bass Masters; thanked everyone for the calls, text during his father's recent hospital stay; commended Paramedic David Pruitt for assisting with his father.

12. Old Business

a) Amend Article VIII, Sec. 66-203. Prohibition on through trucks, Exhibit A to add Coldwater Creek Road and Flat Rock Road. (Third and Final Reading)

Commissioner Bennett moved to adopt the third and final reading Amend Article VIII, Exhibit A to add Coldwater Road and Flat Rock Road. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Bid Award New Jail Medical Contract

Commissioner Brown moved to award the Jail Medical Contract to Southern Health. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

c) Bid Award New Jail Food Service Contract

Commissioner Bennett moved to award the Jail Food Service Contract to Kellwell. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Sayer commended Captain David Cleveland for his efforts during the construction phase of the new jail.

d) Amended Resolution Calling for an Election to Impose a County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (Hart County SPLOST VI)

Commissioner Bennett moved to authorize Chairman Sayer to sign the Amended Resolution. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

e) Duplex Grandfather request Paul Martin

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Mr. Martin’s request to grandfather three lots contingent upon Health Department approval for duplexes. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business

a) Dean Farms LLC Tax Refund Parcel C15 022 001 (2020, 2021, 2022)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to grant a tax refund of \$3,201.38 to Dean Farms LLC. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Chapter 46 – Land Development Standards (amended) 1st Reading

No action was taken.

c) Credit for Experience Road Department

Commissioner Dorsey moved to grant 6 years credit for experience to new hire Zachary Heard. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

d) Request for bid Basketball Uniforms (Recreation)

Commissioner Bennett moved to bid out basketball uniforms. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

d) Intergovernmental Agreement Board of Education

No action was taken.

14. Public Comment

Kimberly Butler challenged citizens to lower speed on county roads for the safety and protection of others; and consider hiring more deputies.

Aaron Blomberg addressed comments that he felt were directed at him in reference to an email that he sent out; he is not an engineer and not aware of loop holes; he was expressing concerns about getting to property.

Commissioner Dorsey responded to a statement Mr. Blomberg made the “he could find a way around anything”; and referenced a recent email from him as a personal attack to the BOC.

Incoming Bowersville Mayor John B. Smith introduced himself to the BOC.

Aaron Blomberg read the email that he sent to the Chairman Sayer.

15. Executive Session

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Bennett moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0. (7:45 p.m.)

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lawana Kahn, County Clerk