



Hart County Board of Commissioners
July 22, 2025
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)
07/08/2025 Regular Minutes
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
Shane Hix, Chief Appraiser Report and Approval of Millage for Tax Assessment Notices
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Amendment to No-Thru Truck Ordinance to add Little Road to list (3rd and final Reading)
 - b) No-Thru Truck Ordinance Discussion
 - c) Bid Opening 25(2nd) Road Paving
 - d) Bid Opening Jail Health Services
 - e) Business License Ordinance – **REMOVED**
 - f) Public Works Director Job Description
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Equine Fireworks Ordinance (to comply with HB 614)
 - b) End of Old Mt Hebron Rd Situation
 - c) Orchard Road Discussion
 - d) EMS Day Truck Discussion
 - e) Purchase Gator – EMS - **ADDED**
 - f) Purchase Gator – Paynes Creek - **ADDED**
 - g) Credit for Experience – Sheriff Department - **ADDED**
 - h) Credit for Experience – Sheriff Department - **ADDED**
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
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16. ADJOURNMENT

HART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 22, 2025

6:00 P.M.

Hart County Board of Commissioners met July 22, 2025 at the Hart County Administrative and Emergency Services Center.

Chairman Marshall Sayer presided with Commissioners Michael Bennett, Frankie Teasley, Jeff Brown, and Joey Dorsey present at the meeting.

1. PRAYER

Prayer was offered by Chairman Sayer

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CALL ORDER

Chairman Sayer called the meeting to order.

4. WELCOME

Chairman Sayer welcomed those in attendance via in person, HTC and YouTube.

5. APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Bennett moved to approve and amend the agenda to add 13e) EMS Gator Purchase; 13f) Paynes Creek Gator Purchase; 13g) Credit for Experience Sheriff Department; 13h) Credit for Experience Sheriff Department and remove item 12e) Business License Ordinance. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

7/08/2025 Regular Minutes

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the 7/08/2025 Regular Meeting minutes. 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

Chief Appraiser Shane Hix reported that the City of Hartwell have opted into HB 581; Tax Assessment notices have been approved and will be mailed out within the next 7 days; included in the assessment notices is an insert explaining that effective 7/1/2025 home owners can now file for homestead exemption during the appeal time; Kris Dickerson and Nicole Norman are working on information for the personal property (cell tower) audit; the Digest has increased 7% - 8% from last year.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve using the prior year's millage rate for the current tax assessment notices. Chairman Sayer provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator, Terrell Partain reported that Lankford Road will be closed in sections tomorrow July 23 and possibly Thursday for bushhogging; that he had spoken the Archway about the UGA videography class possibly evaluating and revising the County website.

Chairman Sayer moved to approve the UGA videography class to evaluate the County's website and present changes to the Board. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Sayer congratulated the Senior League Softball girls who will be playing in the Senior League Softball World Series; thanked Jim Owens, Recreation Director, and staff for the work they have done on the baseball/softball fields; commended Jeremy Haley for his years as serving as the District Administrator for the Little League program, Lisa Cartledge and Bob Frye for their work with the Little League program; expressed appreciation to Brian Fleming for organizing the Ag Update Event.

11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Bennett thanked everyone involved with the Little League program; thanked county employees.

Commissioner Teasley echoed Chairman Sayer and Commissioner Bennett's sentiments to the players and coaches of the Senior League Softball girls team; condolences to the family of Hugh Kirby.

Commissioner Brown echoed congratulations to the Senior League Softball and appreciation to Brian Fleming for the Ag Update Event.

Commissioner Dorsey congratulated the Senior League Softball team and wished them safe travels; echoed condolences to the Hugh Kirby Family; was unable to attend the Ag Update Event due to a conflict, he was attending a joint fire training meeting with Hart and Elbert County fire departments.

12. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Amendment to No-Thru Truck Ordinance to add Little Road to list (3rd and final reading)

Commissioner Dorsey moved to accept the 3rd and final reading of the Amendment to No-Thru Truck Ordinance to add Little Road to list. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) No-Thru Truck Ordinance Discussion
No Action Taken

- c) Bid Opening 25 (2nd) Road Paving

Commissioner Dorsey moved to turn the 25 (2nd) Road Paving bids over to County Administrator, Terrell Partain for his recommendation. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Bid Opening Jail Health Services

Chairman Sayer moved to include bid received that was not marked on outside package to indicate it was a bid. Commissioner Bennett provided a second. The motion carried 3-2. Commissioner Dorsey and Commissioner Teasley opposed.

Commissioner Brown moved to turn the Jail Health Services bids over to County Administrator, Terrell Partain, for his recommendation. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

e) Business License Ordinance – **REMOVED**

f) Public Works Director Job Description
No Action Taken

13. NEW BUSINESS

a) Equine Fireworks Ordinance (to comply with HB 614)

Chairman Sayer moved to accept the 1st Reading of the Equine Fireworks Ordinance to prohibit the use or ignition of consumer fireworks within 200 yards of facilities housing equines, such as horse stables and farms. Commissioner Bennett provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

b) End of Old Mount Hebron Rd situation

Commissioner Bennett moved to have a barricade put in place at the end of Old Mount Hebron Road. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

c) Orchard Road Discussion

Chairman Sayer moved to have County Administrator, Terrell Partain check on prices for paving Orchard Road and to request ROW. Commissioner Brown provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

d) EMS Day Truck Discussion

Chairman Sayer moved to approve the addition of a crew to run a truck from 7 am to 7 pm. Commissioner Bennett provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

e) EMS Gator Purchase – **ADDED**

Commissioner Dorsey moved to suspend the purchasing policy and move forward with the purchase of a gator for EMS. Chairman Sayer provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

f) Paynes Creek Gator Purchase – **ADDED**

Commissioner Dorsey moved to suspend the purchasing policy and move forward with the purchase of a gator for Paynes Creek. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

g) Credit for Experience – Sheriff Department - **ADDED**

Commissioner Brown moved to approve new hire Mason Anthony, Deputy at the Sheriff Department with 6 years of credit for experience. Commissioner Bennett provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

h) Credit for Experience – Sheriff Department - **ADDED**

Commissioner Dorey moved to approve new hire Haley Anthony, Dispatcher at the Sheriff Department, with 2 years of credit for experience. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation – Personnel - Real Estate

Commissioner Teasley moved to exit the Regular Meeting and go into Executive Session – litigation-personnel-real estate. Commissioner Brown provided a second. The motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Bennett moved to exit Executive Session -litigation-personnel-real estate and open the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lisa Evans, County Clerk