



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday July 23, 2024
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)
7/9/24 Regular Minutes
7/9/24 Called Minutes
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
Shane Hix, Chief Appraiser 2024 Digest update
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
Budget Meeting Schedule
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Solar Ordinance (2nd Reading)
 - b) Recreational Vehicle / Mobile Home Park Ordinance
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Voting Delegate for ACCG Legislative Meeting
 - b) Tax refund Paradise Point Inc. Parcel No. C67E 042
 - c) Nuberg Intersection Discussion
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met July 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

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

1. Prayer

Commissioner Dorsey offered prayer.

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 all those in attendance via in person, HTC Channel 3 and Board of Commissioners YouTube site.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Teasley moved to amend and approve the agenda to include item 12 c) Solar Farm Moratorium Extension. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
7/9/24 Regular Minutes
7/9/24 Called Minutes

Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the July 9, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the July 9, 2024 called meeting minutes. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests

None

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads
Shane Hix, Chief Appraiser 2024 Digest update

Chief Appraiser Shane Hix reported the 2024 Digest has been approved by the Board of Assessors; 2024 property values are on QPublic; Tax assessment notices were mailed out today; September 6 will be the last day to file an appeal; filing for conservation use will end September 6; Kris Dickerson and Patricia Geroux have completed personal property and assessment notices will be going out; commended field appraisers Zach Marcengill and Robby

Taylor for doing a great job with permits and field work; they will commence with 2025 permits soon; the BOA has approved schedules and tables for the upcoming year; he has completed the audit review for the Department of Audits.

Attorney Kim Higginbotham reported that the City of Royston has filed an annexation petition.

9. County Administrator's Report
Budget Meeting Schedule

County Administrator Terrell Partain inquired about budget meetings for FY25 and requested a list of county roads for the 2025 grant funding.

The BOC conceded to schedule 2025 budget meeting following the regular meeting session August 13, 2024.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Sayer announced a prayer service will be held @ 11:30 a.m. July 28, 2024 at the courthouse amphitheater; E911 is accepting applications for employment @ 800 the Administrative & Emergency Services Center; Hart County Fire Department will be having a back to school bash at the Recreation Department football field Saturday 27; Flat Shoals Baptist Church will be hosting a school supply event July 28 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.; various churches are helping with back to school supplies.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Bennett thanked county employees; special thanks to the staff at the Transfer Station; commended Hart County Senior League Baseball Team accomplishing 3rd place in the World Championship and representing Hart County.

Commissioner Teasley thanked county employees; Public Safety employees and Whitworth Warden for providing inmate details for trash pick up on county rights-of-way.

Commissioner Dorsey thanked Brian Fleming and Farm Bureau for hosting the Ag meeting event; suggested the county implement the use of Google Docs for Department Heads, BOC members, County Administrator to use for out-of-town notices.

12. Old Business
a) Solar Ordinance (2nd Reading)

No action was taken.

b) Recreation Vehicle/Mobile Home Park Ordinance

No action was taken,

c) Solar Farm Moratorium Extension

Commissioner Bennett moved to extend the Solar Farm Moratorium for six months. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business
a) Voting Delegate for ACCG Legislative Meeting

Commissioner Dorsey moved to appoint Commissioner Brown as the voting delegate for the ACCG Legislative Meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

b) Tax Refund Paradise Point Inc. Parcel No. C67E 042

Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the tax refund to Paradise Point, Inc Parcel No. C67E 042. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

c) Nuberg Intersection Discussion

Commissioner Dorsey stated he spoke with Jason Dykes of GDOT concerning a 4-way stop at the intersection; noting that the BOC would need to draft a letter to GDOT requesting a traffic study and if approved the study would take place after school starts.

Commissioner Bennett thanked Commissioner Dorsey for putting the item on the agenda and meeting with Mr. Dykes; he has also talked with Representative Alan Powell concerning the issue and Rep. Powell is to meet with GDOT July 30.

Cynthia Wilkins inquired about placing rumble strips at the proposed 4-way stop at Nuberg.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to direct County Administrator Partain to draft a letter on behalf of the Board to GDOT to look at implementing a 4-way stop at the intersection. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

14. Public Comment

Nancy Evans inquired about plans for the SPLOST fund spending; and the need to proceed with TSPLOST vote.

Chairman Sayer responded the Board does not have a plan at this time for the remainder of SPLOST funding.

Commissioner Dorsey pointed out that SPLOST funds exceeding \$16 million was earmarked for roads which included capital expenditures for equipment and road projects.

David Thompson encouraged the BOC to consider moving forward with TSPLOST.

Coleen Brown reported Farmers Lane has not been maintained by the county.

Developer Manager of AES requested the BOC to work cooperatively with AES on the proposed Solar Ordinance.

15. Executive Session – Litigation

Commissioner Dorsey moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss litigation matters. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Bennett moved to reconvene the regular meeting session. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Bennett moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lisa Evans, Administrative