



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday February 10, 2026
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)
01/13/2026 Regular Minutes
01/13/2026 Tilly's Hearing Minutes
02/05/2026 Emergency Called Minutes
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
Jason Spencer, Public Works Director
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
Financial Reports Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D Council Board Appointments
 - b) Permission to Bid out Turnout Gear for Fire Department **ADDED**
His Vision Inc. Setback Variance Request (Requesting Reconsideration) **REMOVED**
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Firing/Shooting Range Discussion
 - b) Letter to State Representatives Concerning Tax Legislation
 - c) IBA Legislation Change Request
 - d) Royston Water Line Discussion - **ADDED**
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation – Personnel – Real Estate
16. ADJOURNMENT

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Hart County Board of Commissioners met February 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the 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

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 change item 12b from His Vision Inc Setback Variance Request (Requesting Reconsideration) to Permission to Bid out Turnout Gear for Fire Department and add 13d Royston Water Line Discussion. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

01/13/2026 Regular Minutes

01/13/2026 Tilly's Hearing Minutes

02/05/2026 Emergency Called Meeting

Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the 01/13/2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the 01/13/2026 Tilly's Hearing Minutes. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the 02/05/2026 Emergency Called Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0 (Commissioner Bennett abstained).

7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES

None

8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

Jason Spencer, Public Works Director

Jason Spencer, Public Works Director gave an overview of how the data will be collected for the assessment of county roads using the InfraHub software.

Commissioner Bennett moved to allow County Administrator Terrell Partain to sign the proposal from InfraHub to move forward with the road assessment. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Financial Reports for Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan.

County Administrator Terrell Partain presented financial reports for October, November, December, and January. He also provided an update on the ice storm, noting that it went very smoothly thanks to residents staying home, well-prepared power companies, and the excellent work of emergency services. Additionally, there was another avian flu outbreak during the storm, but it was addressed promptly, and to his knowledge, there have been no further incidents.

10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Sayer expressed his appreciation for the dedication demonstrated by County emergency personnel during the recent ice storm. He noted that several employees from 911, EMS, and the Maintenance Shop remained overnight to ensure continued service if needed. Chairman Sayer also thanked the Sheriff's Department for their assistance with transportation and the Road Department for their support during the event.

11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Bennett expressed gratitude to all emergency service personnel and extended special thanks to the Sheriff for keeping citizens informed about road conditions during the ice storm, which helped ensure everyone's safety by encouraging them to stay home.

Commissioner Teasley agreed with Chairman Sayer and Commissioner Bennett by thanking all Public Safety staff and expressing gratitude to Georgia Power, Hart EMC, and Terrell Partain for their dedication and hard work.

Commissioner Brown shared the same views as the other Commissioners regarding the ice storm. He also noted that the recent meeting with the City of Hartwell was very constructive and appreciated their commitment to ongoing communication about growth, housing, and annexation issues.

Commissioner Dorsey echoed the same sentiments as the other Commissioners concerning the ice storm, thanking all those involved for preparing and making the sacrifice of being away from their families including EMS, 911, Road department and Maintenance shop; thanked GDOT for putting brine on the parking lots of the emergency departments. He also expressed that the meeting with the city was very positive; he asked for the family of Ray Lewis, former member of the Board of Finance, to be remembered after his passing.

12. OLD BUSINESS

a) Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D Council Board Appointments

Commissioner Teasley moved to reappoint the existing board members William Chafin and Commissioner Michael Bennett (term expires 12/31/2026). Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Permission to Bid Out Turnout Gear for Fire Department

Chairman Sayer moved to give permission for the Turnout Gear for the Fire Department to be sent out for bid. Commissioner Brown provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. NEW BUSINESS

a) Firing/Shooting Range Discussion

Commissioner Brown moved to put a 90-day moratorium on the building of any for profit firing/shooting ranges. Commissioner Bennett provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Letter to State Representatives Concerning Tax Legislation

No Action Taken

c) IBA Legislation Change Request

Chairman Sayer moved to support the IBA requested Legislation change. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

d) Royston Waterline Discussion

Chairman Sayer moved to provide materials for waterlines in Royston. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation – Personnel – Real Estate

Commissioner Dorsey moved to exit into Executive Session Litigation – Personnel – Real Estate. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to reconvene the regular meeting session. Commissioner Bennett provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to have County Attorney Kim Higginbotham draft a letter to His Vision, LLC directing them they have 15 days to submit a plan on how they are going to rectify and bring the property into compliance. They will also have an additional 30 days to clean the property. Commissioner Teasley provided a second. The motion carried 5-0.

16. Adjournment

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

Marshall Sayer, Chairman

Lisa Evans, County Clerk