



GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 11, 2023

Judicial Building Assembly Room

Work Session - 5:00 PM

Regular Session - 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Commissioners: Chair M.L. "Bud" Owens, Vice-Chair Kevin Cunningham, Chad Steward, Bruce Potts, and Kurt Sutherland; County Administrator and Attorney Jim Ledbetter, County Clerk Hollis Barton, Executive Assistant Keith King, Courtney Taylor, Angie Gillman, Blake Silvers, Brandi Owczarz

WORK SESSION

Mr. Ledbetter gave an overview of the agenda items and presented the Administrator's Report. The Commissioners then gave their reports. Chair Owens then asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Commissioner Potts made a motion to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Steward at 5:29 PM. The motion carried 5-0.

Upon exiting the Executive Session, Commissioner Sutherland made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Potts. No action was taken. The motion carried 5-0. The Work Session closed at 5:56 PM.

REGULAR SESSION

I. Call To Order

Chair Owens called the meeting to order.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Steward and Vice-Chair Cunningham

III. Approval of Minutes

A. **Adopt minutes of Special Called Meeting, Executive Session of June 20, 2023, Work, and Regular Session of June 20, 2023** - Vice-Chair Cunningham made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Potts. The motion carried 5-0.

IV. **Approval of the Agenda** - Commissioner Potts made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Steward. The motion carried 5-0.

V. Special Recognition

A. Donations - Chair Owens presented the recent donations made to the County by various citizens and organizations and expressed his appreciation.

1. Gordon County E-911 Donations

- a) Max Brannon and Sons Funeral Home
- b) Thomas Funeral Home
- c) Biddle Scrap Recycling, Inc.
- d) Kenneth Jones Trucking, Inc.
- e) Kelly Morrison dba Gordon County Wrecker Service
- f) Ponders Funeral Home

2. Gordon County Animal Control Donations

- a) Teresa Kaminski
- b) Sonoraville High School
- c) Charles Estes Trustee

3. Gordon County Sheriff's Office Donations

- a) Ishvar Krupa LLC dba Smith Motel

B. July Employees Years of Service - Commissioner Potts presented the names and Commissioner Sutherland drew Mike Satterfield as the recipient of the extra vacation day.

1. Clerk of Superior Court

- a) Gabriele Hall, 38 years

2. E-911

- a) Magan Lackey, 1 year

3. Fire

- a) Joshua Oliver, 7 years
- b) Michael B Reece, 6 years
- c) Tracy Holsomback, 4 years

4. Fleet Management

- a) Mike Satterfield, 44 years

5. Probate Court

- a) Cristina Davis, 22 years

6. Public Works

- a) Steve Parris, 26 years
- b) David James, 23 years
- c) Jonathan Parker, 9 years
- d) Matthew Payne, 8 years
- e) Kevin Shadix, 3 years

7. Sheriff's Office

- a) Vickey Hamsley, 28 years
- b) Johnny Bray, 23 years
- c) Chad Phillips, 21 years
- d) Kevin Rickett, 21 years
- e) Matthew Flippen, 12 years
- f) Eddie Gibson, 6 years
- g) Cody Jones, 5 years
- h) Dylan Nicholas, 4 years
- i) Jessica James, 2 years
- j) Joshua Beavers, 2 years
- k) Spencer Hogan, 2 years
- l) Baylee Pack, 1 year

8. Victim Witness

- a) Tiffany Rosales, 3 years

VI. Public Participation

VII. Administrator's Report

Mr. Ledbetter presented his report to the Commission.

VIII. Commissioner's Report

A. Commissioner Sutherland

Stated he had received phone calls regarding various concerns. Gave updates for Public Works from Director Steve Parris and Fleet Maintenance Manager Mike Satterfield and Building and Grounds Director Jeff Champion.

B. Commissioner Potts

Stated he took calls from several citizens, helped one with a culvert situation and thanked Mr. Parris for his help. Animal Control, and received reports from the Senior Center and Parks and Recreation. Stated he received a complimentary email regarding the Resaca Battlefield - shared with the Commission.

C. Chair Owens

Chair Owens stated he also received several calls and opportunities to speak with citizens on various topics; virtually attended the Development Authority of Gordon County meeting on the 27th as well as met with an existing industry with the Development Authority and Executive Assistant Keith King; attended the Star Spangled Celebration on July 4th and thanked the Sheriff's Office, Courtney and the Emergency Management Team, Angie and the E-911 team, and the Emergency Medical Services personnel in Gordon County Fire Department for being on-site and ensuring that people were safe and taken care of while in attendance.

D. Commissioner Steward

Stated last Friday he attended a meeting to discuss the upcoming SPLOST and potential projects as well as attended the Resaca City Council meeting.

E. Vice-Chair Cunningham

Stated he also attended the SPLOST meeting held the previous week. Stated he had a few zoning ordinance issues that he handled with Code Enforcement Officer Jim Bradford and spoke with several citizens.

IX. First Reading

X. Public Hearing

XI. Consideration of Unfinished Business

XII. Consideration of New Business

- A. Consider recommendation from Finance to increase Chert Price from \$ 130.00 per load to \$ 195.00 per load.** - Chair Owens presented the item to the Commission. Vice-Chair Cunningham made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Potts. The motion carried 5-0.
- B. Consider recommendation from the Gordon County Sheriff's Office to deem certain property as surplus.** - Chair Owens presented the item to the Commission. Commissioner Sutherland made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice-Chair Cunningham. The motion carried 5-0.
- C. Consider recommendation from the Public Defender's Office to approve the FY23 Georgia Indigent Services Agreement.** - Chair Owens presented the item to the Commission. Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Potts. The motion carried 5-0.

- D. Consider recommendation to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Gordon County and North Georgia Community Action, Inc. dba MATS Section 5311 Public Transportation Service Agreement for Operation of the Mountain Area Transit System. This will require a Capital Match with an estimated cost of \$0.00 and Local Operating Match with an estimated cost of \$118,610. This total includes the deduction of Fare Box collections. This will be budgeted using GL Account # 901 - 523950. - Chair Owens presented the item to the Commission. Vice-Chair Cunningham made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Steward. The motion carried 5-0.**

XIII. Adjourn

Commissioner Steward made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Potts. The motion carried 5-0.