



Official Document-Butts County Board of Commissioners Office
BUTTS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
127th Session Covering Calendar Year 2025
2025-2026 Biennium

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for January 6, 2025

Commissions:

Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

PRELIMINARIES (8:30 AM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Chairman Crumbley called 127th Session of the Board of Commissioners to order with all Commissioners in attendance. Commissioner Hosford gave the invocation.

Election of Chair for 2025

Mr. Brewer was called to hold an election for the position of Chairman. He declared the Chair vacant and called for nominations for Chairman for 2025. Mr. Douglas nominated Mr. Brown and there were no other nominations. Mr. Brewer asked for a motion to close the nominations and this was made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Wilson. Mr. Brewer called for the board to ratify the nomination of Joe Brown for Chairman and the board affirmed this with unanimous consent, 5-0.

Election of Vice Chair for 2025

Mr. Brewer declared the Vice Chair vacant and called for nominations for Vice Chairman for 2025. Mr. Crumbley nominated Mr. Douglas and there were no other nominations. Mr. Brewer asked for a motion to close the nominations and this was made by Mr. Crumbley and seconded by Mr. Brown, with unanimous consent. Mr. Brewer called for the board to ratify the nomination of Keith Douglas for Vice Chairman and the board affirmed this with unanimous consent, 5-0.

WORKSHOP

House Bill 581 Discussion

Mr. Johnson gave an overview of House Bill 581 and its impacts on County government.

Flexible Local Options Sales Tax

This was a discussion item only and the Board came to a consensus to move forward with doing an official call for a FLOST at a future meeting.

Homestead Exemptions

This was a discussion item only with, with the general consensus being toward asking for legislation to increase the homestead exemption for homestead properties owned by persons ages 62 and over.

Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Goals

The board discussed priorities and the budget schedule for the upcoming fiscal year.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adoption of Resolution for Bank Cards

Ms. Blissit presented a resolution to allow for the issuance of new bankcards from Ameris Bank since the County has moved all of its banking from United Bank to Ameris. Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Hosford with unanimous consent.

Adjournment

Mr. Douglas moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent.

Adopted Resolutions



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Commissioners:

D-1 Mike Wilson

D-2 Jeremiah Hosford

D-3 Joe Brown, Chairman

D-4 Keith Douglas, Vice Chairman

D-5 Russ Crumbley

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager

Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager

Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:00 PM)

Executive Session-Litigation

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session for litigation. A motion was offered by Mr. Crumbley, seconded by Mr. Wilson and entered into 4-0 (Douglas was absent at the beginning). Later Mr. Wilson moved to reconvene, seconded by Mr. Crumbley with unanimous consent. Mr. Welch gave a summary and Mr. Brown then notified the public that the decision of the Board was to move forward with the decision to abandon the prescriptive easement on Giles Ferry Road to Jackson Lake. This will be placed on the docket for a vote.

CR202502 Grapple Truck Purchase

Mr. Lowe presented the need to purchase a grapppler truck. This will be placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202503 Three Rivers Transit Contract

Mr. Johnson presented. To be placed on the docket.

CR202504 Legislative: Homestead Exemption

Mr. Johnson presented the homestead resolution for discussion. Following discussion the Board voted to move forward with a Resolution to request that the Butts County Delegation introduce legislation to increase the \$4,000 homestead exemption to \$20,000 of the assessed

value of homesteads within the boundaries of Butts County for residents who are 62 years of age and older for consideration by the Georgia General Assembly in the current legislative session to provide a referendum on such increase to be held in November 2025.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation (Rev. Keith Joseph)

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order. Reverend Keith Joseph gave the invocation.

Adoption of Docket

Mr. Douglas moved to adopt the docket, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Hosford with unanimous consent.

Recognizing 2024 Georgia Golden Olympics Medalists

The 2024 Georgia Golden Olympics Medalists were recognized by the Board.

Proclamation Remembering Jerry Carter

A proclamation remembering Mr. Jerry Carter was presented to the family by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda (Items B, C, & D)

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the consent agenda, consisting of workshop items B, C, and D. Mr. Crumbley seconded and it was approved with unanimous consent.

CR202505 Re Adopt Commissioner Code of Ethics

Mr. Brewer presented Resolution CR202505 for approval. Mr. Douglas moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Crumbley with unanimous consent.

CR202506 Designating 2025 as Bicentennial Year

Mr. Brewer presented Resolution CR202506 for approval. Mr. Crumbley moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Douglas and approved with unanimous consent.

CR202507 (Added) Attorney Fees for IDA

This item was added during the workshop. Resolution CR202507 would permit the Board to allow Smith Welch Webb and White to work on their behalf on legal matters regarding Development Project Lighthouse and bill the Development Authority separately for this service. Mr. Douglas moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous

consent.

CR202508 Public Hearing: Case #10-02-2024 SU

A public hearing was convened on the referenced case, which was to grant a special use to place a private cemetery on private property. The applicant spoke in favor of and no one spoke against. The hearing was closed and Mr. Crumbley moved to grant the special use with the recommendations presented, seconded by Mr. Douglas and approved with unanimous consent.

Public Hearing: Transmittal of CIE

A public hearing was convened to hear input from the public on the transmittal of the Capital Improvement Element of the comprehensive plan to the regional commission. No one spoke in favor of or against and the hearing was closed. Mr. Douglas moved to approve the transmittal, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent.

Added: Closure of Giles Ferry Road (Portion)

This item was added to the docket as a result from the executive session held earlier during the workshop. Upon a motion from Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Brown, the board voted unanimously to begin the procedural requirements for abandoning a prescriptive easement held by the County for a portion of Giles Ferry Road that does not serve a public purpose and which would have to be improved to full road specifications if further retained.

Deputy County Manager's Report on Operations

Mr. Brewer gave the monthly operations report.

County Manager's Report

Mr. Johnson gave the County Manager's report.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Douglas moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

Adopted Resolutions



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

CR202509 VAWA Grant for DA's Office

Mr. Brewer presented the 2025 STOP Violence Against Women Act grant award for the Towaliga Judicial Circuit on behalf of Lorainne Bunn, who oversees this program for the circuit. The federal grant award is \$60,000 for the year and there is no matching funds required from the county, and therefore no impact on the county budget. This item will be part of the consent agenda at the regular meeting.

CR202510 Restructuring of Emergency Management Agency

Mr. Johnson gave a presentation to the Board on the restructuring of the Butts County Emergency Management Agency, which will become effective on March 1st, 2025 or sooner if necessary. The current director is retiring at the end of February and his current position of fire marshal has been given to another individual who will not be handling EMA activities. The plan presentation would call for the appointment of Brad Johnson as the Director and Michael Brewer as the Deputy Director, both having previously served as EMA Directors. A new EMA staff position would be created and funded that would handle the day-to-day activities including growing up and submitting plans, training, submission of reports to state and federal emergency management agencies, getting agreements in place with vendors for things such as debris management and debris, monitoring, sheltering, and other needed provisions. This individual would be trained to eventually take over the agency, which would now become a function of the commissioner's office. Following discussion, this item was forwarded to the

consent agenda for approval.

CR202511 Ratify State of Emergency

Mr. Brewer presented a resolution for ratification by the board for a declaration of a state of emergency in place the previous week during the winter weather that began on January 21. County code provides for the chairman of the board of commissioners to sign a state of emergency declaration when necessary, absent, immediate action by the board, to be ratified by the full board at the next commission meeting. This item was forwarded to the consent agenda for approval.

Nepotism Policy Element of Personnel Policy

Human Resources Director Sharon Robinson presented a nepotism policy element to be added to the personnel ordinance that would require disclosure of any familial relationships within the county by anyone accepting employment by the county. This is to ensure that no family member supervises or has direct impact on the employment of another employee who they may be related to. This item was forwarded to the consent agenda for approval.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and asked Commissioner Hosford to give the invocation and lead the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Docket

A motion was made to approve the docket by Mr. Crumbley, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent, 4-0 (it should be noted here that Commissioner Douglas was in attendance for the workshop but was not able to attend the regular session due to a conflict).

Recognition: Fire & EMS Awards

Chief Johnston presented several recipients of various awards from the Regional EMS Office.

Recognition: Soccer Champions

Mr. Henderson presented the girls soccer team, age group 16 and under, for recognition as state champions in their division.

Recognition: 6U Super Bowl Champions

Mr. Henderson presented the 6 and under Super Bowl Champion football players for recognition by the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda, including workshop items A, B, C, and D, was presented. Mr. Crumbley made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Hosford, and approved with unanimous consent, 4-0.

REPORTS

Q4 2024 Quarterly Report

Communications Director Morgan Morris presented the 4th quarter report and highlighted activities by various departments over the past three months. She also noted that the annual report was complete and had given a copy to each of the commissioners.

Finance Report

Finance Director Rhonda Blissit stated that with 50% of the budget year completed (as of December 31, 2024), revenues collected were at 66% and expenditures were at 46% of the expenditure budget.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

With no further business, Mr. Crumbley moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent. The meeting was thus adjourned.

Adopted Resolutions 9, 10, and 11

Minutes of Meeting



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Commissions:

Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Executive Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Andrew Welch, County Attorney

WORKSHOP (5:00 PM)

GDOT Presentation-Tyler Peek

Tyler Peek from Georgia DOT came to give a presentation on state projects going on in Butts County to the Board of Commissioners.

CR202512 Debris Tech Monitoring Contract

A new contract with Debris Tech Inc. for Debris Monitoring was brought to the Board for discussion and approval. This item will be placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202513 Approval of Contract-WSP

A contract with WSP to provide consulting services to complete update of the County UDA was presented to the Board. This will be placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202514 Text Amendment 1st Reading

The Board heard a first reading on a text amendment for gunsmithing presented by the Planning and Development Department.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Commissioner Hosford gave the invocation.

Approval of Docket

A motion was made by Mr. Douglas to approve the docket, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Douglas to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Abandonment of Giles Ferry Prescriptive Easement

Chairman Brown called a Public Hearing to receive input on whether the County should abandon a prescriptive easement for the undeveloped portion of Giles Ferry Road. It was reported to the board that investigation of all records by the county attorney had determined that the county did not have any ownership rights in the portion of the road in question, and that it was only a prescriptive easement, which had been granted by the property owners at whatever time it was granted to allow the county to use the road bed and to enter upon it for maintenance. Currently, the road bed is entirely encapsulated by property owned by one group or entity, and the easement goes through their property and terminates just before the Ocmulgee River. The chairman called on the property owner to come forward and present information to the board about why the prescriptive easement should be surrendered. The owner discussed the current condition of the road bed, which is impossible to most normal passenger vehicles, and stated that his request to the county had been that the county either bring the road up to acceptable graded dirt road standards, or abandon the easement altogether. The county does not have ownership of this road bed, nor does it own any right of way on either side of the 1.6 mile stretch of roadway. In order to bring the county road up to standards, it would require obtaining right of way on both sides of the road to allow for the minimum required right of way of 30 feet on each side of the center line, for a total of 60 feet. The easement is currently 12 feet wide. In order for vehicles to use the current roadway and be able to turn around to come back out, they have to commit an act of trespass upon private property. Additionally, if anyone steps off of the 12 wide easement, they are also committing trespass. The county engineer and others engaged in evaluating the cost of roads, have determined that in order to bring the road up to the required specifications, which would also include a bridge over a creek, crossing and acquisition of right of way would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$800,000, which is neither budgeted nor appropriate. Following the presentation by the property owner and his son, the chairman opened the public hearing to any who wished to speak in favor of or against the surrendering of the prescriptive easement. No one spoke in favor of abandonment and the following people spoke against:

Sara Fecarra (Douglas Creek Road)
Jackie Rooks (Dodson Road)

Rhett Smith (178 Giles Ferry)
Glen Williams (182 Giles Ferry Road)
David Dunn (Nelson Street, Jackson)
Scott Fecarra (Douglas Creek Road)
John Shields (433 Giles Ferry Road)
Name could not be heard
"Chip" (No last name given)
Robert Inez (122 Giles Ferry Road)

Chairman Brown then enclosed the public hearing and the board deliberated on the matter for several minutes. Following deliberation, Commissioner Hosford made a motion to waive the two meeting rule to allow for a vote on whether or not to surrender the prescriptive easement, seconded by Mr. Douglas and approved with unanimous consent.

Mr. Brown then made a motion to abandon the prescriptive easement, surrendering the county's interest in the prescriptive easement, seconded by Mr. Douglas. The vote was called with Mr. Brown, Mr. Douglas, and Mr. Crumbley voting in favor of, and Mr. Wilson and Mr. Hosford voting in dissent. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-2 and Resolution 17 was passed.

Case 12-01-2024 TX AD - Home Occupations Type II

Mr. Vaughan presented Case 12-01-2024 TX AD for Home Occupations Type II. Following the presentation a public hearing was convened. No one spoke in favor of and David Massey spoke against. The hearing was then closed and emotion was made by Mr. Douglas to approve the text amendment, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda, consisting of items B and C from the workshop was brought for approval. Mr. Douglas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Hosford, and approved with unanimous consent.

CR202515 Woodlands Preserve Final Plat

Mr. Vaughan presented the final plat to the board. Following discussion, Mr. Hosford moved to approve the final plat, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and adopted with unanimous consent.

CR202516 Resolution Declaring Public Need-A. Welch

Mr. Welch presented Resolution 16, declaring a public need for a new fire station in Response

District 5, specifically in the area of Glen Echo Drive and High Falls. Mr. Douglas made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

REPORTS

Deputy County Manager's Report on Operations

Mr. Brewer presented the monthly report on operations for January in departments under the board of commissioners. He noted that over the previous year's January, that call volume in public safety agencies was up in many areas.

County Manager's Report

Mr. Johnson presented the county manager report and noted that there was a need for the board to have a discussion about outside-of-county people using local facilities owned by the county government, such as recreation arenas.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Executive Session-Legal

Mr. Crumbley made a motion to enter into executive session for litigation purposes, seconded by Mr. Douglas and approved with unanimous consent

Adjournment

Following executive session, Mr. Welch notified the public that the board had discussed two anti-Leitem notices and had determined how the county attorney should answer them. Mr. Douglas then made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned.

Adopted Resolutions 12-17

Following the meeting, resolutions 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 were entered upon the adopted resolutions contained within the book of resolutions volume two.



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Mike Wilson, District 1 (Present)
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2 (Virtual)
Joe Brown, District 3 (Present)
Keith Douglas, District 4 (Absent)
Russ Crumbley, District 5 (Present)

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Andrew Welch, County Attorney

PRELIMINARIES (5:30 PM)

Call to Order and Welcome

A special called meeting convened at 5:30 PM in Courtroom C. In attendance was Chairman Joe Brown, Commissioner Mike Wilson and Commissioner Russ Crumbley, with Commissioner Jeremiah Hosford joining by Zoom. County Manager Brad Johnson, Deputy County Manager Michael Brewer and County Attorney Andrew Welch were in attendance. Additionally, 6 of the 7 members of the Butts County Water Authority, along with their attorney and General Manager were present. Chairman Joe Brown called the Board of Commissioners to order and Water Authority Chairman Harry Marrett called the Authority to order separately. These minutes do not reflect any actions or activities of the Water Authority.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Joint Meeting with Water Authority

Water Authority Member Bill Jones requested an Executive Session for the Water Authority and they convened. Chairman Brown requested an Executive Session to discuss confidential economic development matters covered under a nondisclosure agreement. Mr. Crumbley moved to enter the session, seconded by Mr. Wilson and confirmed with unanimous consent, 4-0. Later, Mr. Wilson made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and confirmed with unanimous consent. Mr. Welch gave a summary of the executive session, stating that it had been determined by the Water Authority that they would enter into

a separate negotiation with representatives from Amazon Web Services for water delivery.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Wilson, then made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and confirmed with unanimous consent. The special called meeting was adjourned.



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625 W. Third Street, Courtroom B

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Commissions:

Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM) Courtroom B

CR2025-18 Purchase Consent: Fire & EMA Vehicles

Resolution 18 authorized the purchase of two Ford F150 pickup trucks for the Fire Department and one Ford F150 pick-up truck for the Emergency Management Agency, both to be paid for out of capital improvement funds. This item was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR2025-19 2025 LMIG Approval

This resolution would approve the 2025 local maintenance improvement grant program from the Georgia Department of Transportation. This item was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR2025-20 Repeal of Economic Development Incentives

This resolution would repeal and revoke any previous schedules for incentives that the Board of Commissioners had previously granted to the Development Authority that they could act autonomously on. This item was placed on the regular agenda for a separate voting action.

CR2025-21 Development Payout-Jones Petroleum

This resolution would authorize the payout of any remaining indebtedness to Jones Petroleum Inc. for their work on improving Midway Road on behalf of the county. This item is placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR2025-22 Add-On (Surplus Vehicle)

This resolution would authorize the donation of a vehicle currently in use by the sheriffs office to another county. This item was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

Recreation Update

Mr. Henderson gave an update of things going on at the recreation department, including usage of facilities and growth in the programs.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM) Courtroom B

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Due to the workshop running late, the regular meeting was not called to order until 6:11 PM. Mr. Douglas gave the invocation.

Approval of Docket

The docket was approved upon a motion by Mr. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda (A, B, C & D)

Mr. Douglas made a motion to approve the consent agenda with items A, B, D and E, with Item C removed from the consent agenda for separate action. This will be deferred until Counsel arrives. Mr. Crumbley seconded and the consent agenda was approved with unanimous consent.

CR2025-23 2025 CIE/CWP Update Adoption and Resolution

Mr. Vaughan presented. A public hearing was convened. No one spoke in favor or against and the hearing was closed. Mr. Douglas then moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Crumbley with unanimous consent.

Case# 01-01-2025 RZ & Case# 01-02-2025 VAR - S&S Houses

Mr. Vaughan presented the case to the Board of Commissioners, noting that the recommendation of the Planning Commission was to deny the rezoning and thus the variance. The passage of the variance would have allowed the placing of 796 tractor trailer parking places and fueling facilities, truck repair facilities. The applicant's attorney, Newton Galloway et Al. was then allowed to present his case for the development of the truck parking and truck stop facility. A handout was provided to the Commissioners; however, one was not provided to this record keeper and therefore is not included as part of the records of this case.

Drew Buckner and John Harkness spoke against. The hearing was closed.

Mr. Brown spoke about his concerns with 18-wheeler traffic adding to greater congestion. He

asked whether there was a plan for improving Bucksnot Road. After not hearing of one, Mr. Brown motioned to defer a final decision for two months. The motion died due to lack of a second because of discussion, within the prescribed time period. Following discussion, Mr. Douglas then moved, seconded by Mr. Crumbley to defer a decision until the meeting of April 28th. This passed unanimously.

Chief Financial Officer Report

CFO Rhonda Blissit gave the financial report.

Removal of Tax Incentives

Mr. Douglas made a motion to adopt the resolution repealing all tax incentive programs that had been pre-approved for development activities and that a meeting with the Development Authority be scheduled as soon as possible. Mr. Crumbley seconded this and it was approved with unanimous consent.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Executive Session-Legal

Mr. Douglas made a motion to go into executive session for legal purposes, seconded by Mr. Hosford been approved with unanimous consent. Later, Mr. Douglas motion to come out of executive session, second by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent. Mr. Welch notified the audience that the board had discussed two potential lawsuits. Mr. Douglas then made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Wilson with unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment

Adopted Resolutions 18 - 22



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager

PRELIMINARIES (8:00 AM)

Call to Order

Executive Session-Litigation

Mr. Wilson made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved 4-0. Later, Mr. Hosford moved to come out of session, seconded by Mr. Crumbley with unanimous consent.

Discussion then ensued on incentive formulas.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Hosford made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved, 4-0. Meeting adjourned.



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

CR202523 Revised GDOT Lighting Agreement

Chairman Brown opened the workshop at 5:27 PM. County Manager Brad Johnson requested that the board authorize the Chairman to sign a revised lighting agreement with Georgia DOT for Highway 16 West and England Chapel Road upon presentation of a final contract that included all provisions negotiated by the County. This was placed on the consent agenda.

CR202524 Elizabeth Circle Right of Way

Mr. Johnson requested that the Board authorize approval of any actions related to a quiet title action on a property located on Elizabeth Circle (County's interest was only in right of way). This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202525 Appointment of Safety Coordinator

Mr. Brewer requested that the board authorize the chairman to sign a resolution that would appoint Sharon Robinson as the county safety coordinator for A.C.C.G.. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

Discussion: Business Licensing

The board discussed issues with business licensing being delayed due to some citizens, not having been up-to-date on paying their property taxes. It was noted that they would not be able to pay property taxes if they were unable to work. The decision was made to grant a

temporary business license to anyone that would allow them to work through the end of the fiscal year and then allow for a full license renewal if taxes had been fully paid by this time. This was added to the docket as a separate action item.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Chairman Brown called the Regular Session to order at 6:07 PM and gave the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Docket

Commissioner Crumbley made a motion to approve the docket with the addition of the business licensing item discussed during the workshop. Mr. Wilson seconded this and Mr. Brewer reordered the docket with the addition of the item as Item 9 and moved all remaining items up. The docket was approved with unanimous consent.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes from February, seconded by Mr. Douglas with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda (A, B, and C)

Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Wilson with unanimous consent.

Public Hearing: Case# 01-04-2025 MOD - 5th Amendment to Development Agreement for River Park

Chairman Brown convened a Public Hearing on this item. The applicant spoke in favor of the amendment and no one spoke against. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing and called for a vote. Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the amendment which would state the size and makeup of signage in River Park, as well as allow for a lay down yard. Mr. Wilson seconded and this was approved with unanimous consent.

Add: Motion to Extend Deadline for Business Licensing

The next item was the additional item pertaining to business licensing. A motion to extend the filing ability for business owners who have outstanding tax balances to obtain a temporary business license for a period not to exceed the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025, such that a permanent business permit may be obtained upon full payment of outstanding tax, interest and penalty, and the temporary business license would expire upon failure to pay all tax obligations within the remaining period of the fiscal year or no later than June 30th of the current fiscal year was offered by Mr. Brewer. Mr. Douglas made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent.

Deputy County Manager Report

Mr. Brewer gave the operations report for the month of February.

County Manager's Report

Mr. Johnson gave the County Manager's Report.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned.



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Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

CR202528 Presentation & Acceptance of Appraisal

Chairman Brown opened the 5:30 PM workshop. All Members were present except Commissioner Crumbley who was excused. The first item was the presentation of an appraisal for property located on High Falls Road that the County wishes to acquire for the future Fire Station 9. It was determined that this would be placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202529 Acquisition Process: Levi Barnes Road

The next item was the presentation for acquisition of right of way for Levi Barnes Road as part of a paving project. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202530 Repeal of Portions of Occupational Tax

Mr. Brewer presented this information to the Board and requested that the board hold a public hearing and a vote at the regular meeting. This item will be voted on separately following the hearing.

CR202531 Appointment of Insurance Broker

Ms. Robinson presented the recommendation of the Broker Benefits Review Committee of the appointment of MSI Benefits as Broker of Record for Health and Ancillary Benefits. This will be placed on the Consent Agenda for approval.

Chamber Update-Jacqueline McKoon

Ms. McKoon gave an update on the activities of the Chamber of Commerce in Butts County and discussed how funds provided by the County were being used.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order, Welcome, Invocation, Pledge

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order. Mr. Crumbley was on excused absence from the meeting and the Board convened with the other Members present.

Approval of Docket

Mr. Hosford moved to approve the docket, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent, 4-0.

Recognition: Nick's New Beginning

Mr. Johnson recognized Nick's New Beginnings for providing a drug overdose kit to the County.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of items A, B and D from the workshop. This was seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

CR202530 Public Hearing Repeal of Gross Receipts-Occupational Tax

Chairman Brown opened the public hearing. One person spoke in favor of and no one spoke against. The Chair closed the public hearing and made remarks from the bench. Mr. Douglas made a motion to adopt the Resolution which adds Table A, as listed on the Occupational Tax License Application of the Butts County Planning and Development Department, and a new Section 2 that pertains to signage allowable and subject to future sign ordinances. Mr. Wilson seconded and it was approved with unanimous consent, 4-0.

Financial Report

Ms. Blissit presented the financial report, noting that with 67% of the fiscal year completed and 33% remaining, the County had collected 82% of anticipated annual revenues and had expended 62% of the budget.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

The need for an Executive Session for Real Estate was called for prior to adjournment. Mr. Douglas moved to enter, seconded by Mr. Hosford. Later, Mr. Douglas moved to reconvene, seconded by Mr. Hosford. Mr. Welch reported that two real estate items with potential for

litigation had been discussed on a piece of property that the County was trying to acquire, as well as right of way acquisitions for Levi Barnes Road. Mr. Wilson then made a motion to reconsider Resolution 28, which had been previously adopted under the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent. Mr. Douglas then moved to adopt the Resolution separately with recommendations by the County Attorney, seconded by Mr. Hosford approved with unanimous consent. Mr. Douglas then moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

Adopted Resolutions 28 thru 31



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:00 PM)

CANCELLED: Riverpark Appraisals Process

This item was removed from the docket and will be revisited after property values are set.

CR202532: Preliminary Rollback

Mr. Johnson presented the need to validate a rollback number, that is preliminary in nature and the numbers required cannot be obtained within the timeframe allotted. In lieu of making an estimation, the preliminary rollback millage rate was agreed to by resolution to be set at the same number as the current millage rate of 10.459 mils. This item was adopted as part of the consent agenda.

CR202533 LMIG Supplemental Project Management

Mr. Joey Lowe presented the supplemental LMIG program for the resurfacing of Cedar Creek Church Road and Burg Road and asked the board to approve a Resolution that would name Hofstadter and Associates to be the project manager on the supplemental LMIG program. He also informed the board that he was in discussions with the City of Jenkinsburg to determine whether or not they would like to contract with their funding to resurface the portion of Burg Road that is in the City of Jenkinsburg.

CR202534: Rezoning Case 1-03-2025 RZ

Mr. Vaughan presented information on the zoning case that would be part of a public hearing process later in the regular meeting.

Discussion: Outdoor Weather Sirens

Mr. Johnson gave a presentation on outdoor weather warning systems and why the public should not rely on them to be used for indoor warning of impending tornadoes. The current sirens that we have only cover areas where there is frequently outdoor activity and they are over 25 years old. It is becoming difficult and in some cases, impossible to find replacement parts for components of the sirens when they wear out. He pointed out that there are several mechanisms by which the public can receive emergency warnings, mainly by mobile phones and various weather applications on those phones, as well as the emergency warning system that the county provides called CodeRED. It is his recommendation that the county move away from outdoor warning systems, except in highly populated areas where people gather outdoors, such as the state Park, the nature Center, and the recreation center. He also recommended that the county use existing emergency management money to purchase NOAA weather radios which are inexpensive and can be provided free of charge to citizens.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Vice Chairman Douglas called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Mr. Brown was absent due to illness and Mr. Hosford gave the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Docket

Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the docket, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent, 4-0.

Approval of March Minutes

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the March minutes, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent.

Proclamation for National Telecommunicator's Week

E-911 Director Sonia Sands presented a proclamation for National Telecommunicators Week to the Board, which was approved by implied consent.

Presentation: Awards and Honors

Mr. Johnson presented service awards to employees reaching 20 and 25 year anniversary dates. He also presented a plaque to CFO Rhonda Blissit for her work crafting the Budget Book from the Government Finance Officers Association. Mr. Brewer presented commissions from the Governor to the newly elected commissioners and returning commissioner.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda (Items B & C)

Mr. Hosford made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and approved with unanimous consent. This included the adoption of the preliminary rollback

millage rate and the LMIG program.

CR202534 Public Hearing Case# 1-03-2025 RZ

Mr. Brad Vaughan presented the rezoning matter. The applicant spoke in favor of and no one spoke against it. Mr. Hosford made a motion to approve the rezoning with the additional condition that design standards would be approved before any building permits are issued. Mr. Crumbley seconded and it was approved with unanimous consent.

Deputy County Manager Report on Operations

Mr. Brewer gave the monthly report on operations and an overview of projects completed in March.

County Manager Report

Mr. Johnson gave the County Manager's report and introduced Kimberly Yasinski to the Board as the new EMA Coordinator.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Public Comment-Kina Mikesell

Ms. Mikesell did not show up to make public comment.

Adjournment

Mr. Wilson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

Discussion: S & S Truck Parking

Mr. Vaughn gave an overview of where things currently stood with the decision on the truck parking lot proposal for Bucksnot Road.

Discussion: Wallace Road Abandonment

Mr. Vaughan gave an overview of the abandonment of a section of Wallace Road due to construction of a logistics center and that section no longer having a residential presence.

West Wing Roof Replacement (Consent)

Mr. Garrison gave an overview of the roof replacement bid process for replacement of the West Wing roof on the Administration Building (Justice Center side). The recommendation was to award the bid to Dusty Greer Roofing as the most responsive and responsible bidder. This will be placed on the consent agenda for approval.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order | Welcome | Invocation | Pledge

Mr. Hosford gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Docket

Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the docket, seconded buy Mr. Douglas, with two additional

items: Discussion of a river access point and approval of SPLOST 8 Project Management. This was approved with unanimous consent.

Presentation of Citizen Academy Graduates

Ms. Morris presented the graduates of the 2025 Spring Citizen's Academy to the Board for recognition.

OLD BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Decision on S & S Truck Parking-Placeholder

Mr. Vaughan stated that the position of the Planning Department had not changed and that their recommendation was for denial. Conversation ensued. The applicant's attorney was invited to make comments and did. Conversation ensued and a motion was called for to extend the decision again to a date uncertain. Mr. Hosford made the motion, seconded by Mr. Wilson and the applicant must come back with road improvements plans, cost and what level of participation the applicant is willing to do. This was approved with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Exploration of Ocmulgee River Park

Mr. Crumbley charged our staff to look at potential sites, grants and funding public access to the Ocmulgee River. Mr. Hosford seconded and it passed with unanimous consent. Staff will evaluate this and report back to the board.

Project Management for SPLOST 8 (Add On)

Mr. Johnson presented the administration recommendation for the approval of Parrish Construction Inc. to manage the bonded and unbonded SPLOST 8 construction projects. This was approved upon a motion by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Hosford, with unanimous consent.

2025 Q1 Quarter Report

Ms. Morris presented the 2025 quarterly report to the board for their consideration and notified them that it would be publicized on social media and the website.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent. This only included the West Wing roof replacement.

Public Hearing: Wallace Road Abandonment

A public hearing was convened. No one spoke in favor or against. The public hearing was then closed. Mr. Crumbley moved to abandon, seconded by Mr. Wilson and passed with unanimous consent.

CFO Report on Finances

CFO Rhonda Blissit gave the monthly report on Finances for March.

Public Comment-Joe Reed of Monroe County

Mr. Reed was permitted three minutes for public comment.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS**Executive Session-Litigation & Real Estate**

Mr. Crumbley moved to enter executive session to discuss legal and real estate matters. Mr. Hosford seconded the motion and the session was convened. Later Mr. Crumbley moved to resume the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hosford with unanimous consent.

Attorney Summary & Adjournment

Mr. Welch gave a summary and advised the public that he had presented one matter of potential litigation for a decision by the board on whether they wished to oppose it. He also advised that the county manager updated the board on a potential piece of property that the county might be interested in for future building projects. Mr. Wilson then made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hosford and approved with unanimous consent.

Adopted Resolutions 35 & 37



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (8:00 AM)

PRELIMINARIES

Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Brown called the workshop to order, joined by Commissioners Mike Wilson, Jeremiah Hosford and Russ Crumbley. Staff present included County Manager Brad Johnson, Deputy County Manager Michael Brewer, Chief Financial Officer Rhonda Blissit, Human Resources Director Sharon Robinson and Executive Assistant JoAnna Phillips.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Presentations

County Manager Brad Johnson, joined by staff, made various presentations and updates on where the budget process was and sought input from the Commissioners about priorities and needs. This was a discussion only and no action was anticipated nor taken.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

The workshop concluded at 11:30 AM. There were no recordable actions.



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:00 PM)

FY24 Audit Presentation

The first item on the docket was the presentation of the FY2024 Audit by Justin Elliot from Mauldin and Jenkins. The only findings noted were issues with timely payments from the Tax Commissioner to the Board of Commissioners and reconciliation by the the Tax Commissioner. There were no findings against the County government.

LMIG Safety Grant

Mr. Lowe presented a request to the Board to apply for a LMIG Safety Grant which has a 30% match requirement. This would be used for widening certain roads, and striping roads that have been identified for having that need. The board signaled their consent to move forward.

2025 LMIG Supplement Update

Mr. Lowe gave an update on the LMIG Supplemental Program for information only.

2025 LMIG Contract Award

Mr. Lowe presented the award of LMIG contract to Blount Construction and with Hofstadter and Associates to serve as project managers. This item will be part of the consent agenda for approval.

Real Estate Contract for Consideration

Mr. Johnson presented a contract from Crowe Realty to serve as our realtor for purposes of

property acquisition for SPLOST projects. The contract would have a 3% broker fee in the event that the county was able to purchase the property through the real estate broker. This will be added to the consent agenda for approval.

Discussion on Integrated Public Safety Service Delivery

Mr. Brewer presented the Administration's recommendation to integrate the Jackson Police Department dispatch fully into the E-911 dispatch center. This would allow the county to divert. The funding, currently paid to the city for the provision of fire coverage to allow for hiring for additional dispatchers and fully staffing the Jackson Police Dept radio. The administration was seeking approval from the board to continue with this process if they were interested in it. The board signaled that they were and requested that the administration continue forward.

Discussion: Emergency Alert System

Mr. Johnson presented an alternative Emergency Alert System to Code Red for consideration as a discussion item. The administration will continue to explore alternatives for alerting the public during times of emergency.

Discussion: Planning Position

Mr. Johnson presented the need for an additional planner in the Development Office and requested permission from the Board to begin the advertising process. The board indicated that they were willing to move forward with this.

Discussion: Assessments

Mr. Johnson presented a discussion on the assessments going out from the Assessor's Office. He gave a demonstration of what the assessment notices would look like that easily explains to the public what the assessment is and what they need to know about it.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order.

Approval of Docket

Upon a motion by Mr. Crumbley and a second by Mr. Wilson, the docket was approved with unanimous consent.

Approval of April Minutes

Upon a motion by Mr. Douglas and a second by Mr. Hosford, the April minutes were approved with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda

Mr. Douglas made a motion to approve items A, B, D and E from the workshop under the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent.

Deputy Manager Report on Operations

Mr. Brewer gave the monthly operations report.

Manager Report on County Government

Mr. Johnson gave the County Manager's report.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS**Adjournment**

An executive session for legal was called for. A motion to enter was made by Mr. Douglas, and a second was offered by Mr. Brown with unanimous consent. Later, a motion was made to reconvene by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Crumbley. Mr. Welch stated that a legal matter had been discussed on a pending lawsuit. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Douglas and a second by Mr. Wilson. The meeting was adjourned.



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Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager

PRELIMINARIES (8:00 AM)

Call to Order

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order with Commissioner's Crumbley and Douglas in attendance.

Approval of Docket

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the docket, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent, 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Extension of Moratorium

Mr. Vaughan requested the board pass a resolution to extend the current moratorium on M-3 zoning until the July commission meeting. Mr. Douglas moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent. Commissioner Wilson arrived during this time.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Douglas moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Crumbley and approved with unanimous consent. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 AM.

Adopted Resolutions



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Mike Wilson, District 1
Jeremiah Hosford, District 2
Joe Brown, District 3
Keith Douglas, District 4
Russ Crumbley, District 5

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager
J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager
Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

CR202542 Roth Amendment for 457 (b)

Chairman Brown called the workshop to order. Human Resources Director Sharon Robinson introduced a representative from ACCG to present an amendment to the County's 457(b) plan at no cost to the County. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202543 Lighting Agreement Highway 16 and England Chapel Road

County Manager Brad Johnson presented a final version of the lighting agreement with GDOT for Highway 16 at England Chapel Road. The agreement had all of the provisions in it that the board wanted, including an exclusion from having to make repairs if there was damage to lighting accessories at the intersection. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

CR202544 Lighting Agreement | Burg Road Discussion

County Manager Brad Johnson presented a final version of the lighting agreement with GDOT for Highway 42 at England Chapel Road in the City of Jenkinsburg. The agreement had all the provisions in it that the board wanted, including an exclusion from having to make repairs if there was damage to lighting accessories at the intersection. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

Mr. Johnson also presented an update to the board about the paving of Burg Road. A portion of this road, which begins in the county, runs through the city limits of Jenkinsburg. The county is planning to pave the portion of the road that is in the unincorporated county, and had

recently inquired whether the City of Jenkinsburg would like to pave their portion of the road while this was being done to save costs. Jenkinsburg asserted that the road belongs to the county, even though it runs through their city. The county's legal team disagrees with that, and presented information to the contrary. No action will be taken on this particular item at this time.

CR202545 Signal Application and Safety Considerations for Highway 42 South in Indian Springs

County Manager Brad Johnson presented an application for traffic crossing signals with GDOT for Highway 42 at Cenie Road. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

FLOST and 20K Homestead Update

Mr. Johnson presented an update on future referendums for FLOST and the increase to the Homestead Exemption. No action taken.

CR202546 Acceptance of Propane Bid

County Manager Brad Johnson presented a bid award recommendation for Blossman Gas Inc. to service all County propane needs. This was placed on the consent agenda for approval.

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge, Invocation

Chairman Brown opened the meeting at 6:00 PM and asked Mr. Crumbley to lead the invocation and pledge.

Approval of Docket

Mr. Crumbley moved to approve the docket, seconded by Mr. Wilson with unanimous consent, 5-0.

Approval of May Minutes

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Hosford with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

Consent Agenda (A, B, C, D, F)

Mr. Douglas moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved with unanimous consent.

Public Hearing: Case # 05-03-2025 VAR

Planning Director Brad Vaughan presented a variance case to the Board of Commissioners, referenced as Case 05-03-2025VAR. A public hearing was then convened. Sharon Dowdy Cruz of Butts County spoke against it. Joe Reed of Monroe County spoke in opposition and started to

present recommendations to the Board but was ruled out of order by the Chairman. No one else spoke for or against and the hearing was closed. Mr. Douglas called for a motion to approve the variance, seconded by Chairman Brown and approved 4-1, with Commissioner Crumbley in opposition.

Deputy County Manager's Report on Operations

Deputy County Manager Michael Brewer presented the monthly report on operations.

County Manager's Report

County Manager Brad Johnson presented the monthly report on the state of the County.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Executive Session-Litigation

Mr. Douglas moved to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Hosford with unanimous consent. Later, Mr. Wilson moved to reconvene, seconded by Mr. Douglas with unanimous consent. Mr. Welch stated that the board had discussed two matters of litigation.

Adjournment

Mr. Wilson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Douglas with unanimous consent. The meeting was thus adjourned.



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Mike Wilson, District 1

Joe Brown, District 3

Keith Douglas, District 4

Staff:

Brad Johnson County Manager

J. Michael Brewer, Deputy County Manager

Rhonda Blissit, Chief Financial Officer

WORKSHOP (5:30 PM)

Case # 03-01-2025 RZ - 359 Discussion

Case # 03-02-2025 VAR 359 Cenie Rd Discussion

Case # 03-02-2025 SUB Haley Rd Discussion

PRELIMINARIES (6:00 PM)

Call to Order, Welcome, Invocation, Pledge

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order.

Approval of Docket

A motion to approve the docket was made by Mr. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Wilson with unanimous consent.

Soccer Recognition

Several soccer teams were recognized for their accomplishments.

ZONING HEARINGS

CR202548A Case # 03-01-2025 RZ - 359 Cenie Rd.

This item was combined with the next item and will be covered jointly there.

CR202548B Case # 03-02-2025 VAR 359 Cenie Rd

A public hearing was called on both the rezoning and the variance. No one spoke in favor of or against. The hearing was closed. The Chairman asked the applicant to consider (but did not require) 1800 square foot minimum sizing and garages on the side as a request. Mr. Douglas then moved to approve the rezoning, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved 3-0. Mr. Douglas then made a motion to approve the variance, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved 3-0.

CR202549 Case # 03-03-2025 SUB Haley Rd.

A public hearing prior to an approval to create a 24 lot subdivision on a 236 acre tract, ranging from 3.4 to 17 acres per lot in size as a major subdivision was required. AR zoning would remain in place. The Chair opened a public hearing. One resident spoke in favor of the subdivision and no one spoke in opposition. The hearing was then closed. Mr. Wilson then made a motion that the subdivision request be approved with all staff recommendations plus one additional stipulation that homes would have side entry garages. Mr. Douglas seconded and it was approved 3-0

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

CR202550 Midyear Board Appointments

Mr. Douglas moved to approve Resolution 50, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved 3-0. This affirmed the midyear board reappointments.

CR202551 Towaliga Circuit Funding Authorization

Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve Resolution 51 for Towaliga Circuit Funding, seconded by Mr. Douglas and approved with unanimous consent.

FY2026 Budget Proposal

Mr. Johnson presented and Ms. Blissit followed. A required public hearing was held. No one spoke in favor or against. The hearing was closed.

May Financial Report

Ms. Blissit reported that 106% of the revenues had been collected and 87% had been expended.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Douglas moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wilson and approved, 3-0

