# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 7, 2021 Page 1 of 4**

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Commissioner David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Sharon McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Administrator Sanders called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Administrator Sanders led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Administrator Sanders led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda.

# **REORGANIZATION FOR 2021:**

# **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The first order of business for the New Year was the election of the Chairman of the Board. Commissioner Tony Lester nominated Commissioner David Barron. There were no other nominations. The Board voted to elect Commissioner Barron to serve as Chairman of the Board for 2021.

## **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

The next item of business was the election of the Vice-Chairman of the Board. Commissioner Barron nominated Commissioner Eugene Cason for Vice-Chairman. There were no other nominations. The Board voted to elect Commissioner Cason to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2021.

### APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to appoint William H. Gregory II to serve as the County Attorney for 2021.

### **LEGAL ORGAN**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to name The News Observer as the legal organ for the County for 2021.

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# **DEPOSITORIES FOR COUNTY FUNDS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to continue with South Georgia Banking Company, PNC Bank, and Cadence Bank as the official depositories for County Funds for 2021.

### **CIVIL DEFENSE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Barron, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Cason to represent the Commissioners in Civil Defense Affairs for 2021

# **DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Barron to represent the Commissioners on the Dooly County Board of Health for 2021.

### OFFICIAL COUNTY HOLIDAYS

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Barron, the Board voted unanimously to approve ten (10) official paid holidays for County employees for 2021:

New Years' Day Friday, Jan 1st Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, Jan 18th Good Friday Friday, April 2nd Memorial Day Monday, May31st Independence Day (observed) Monday, July 5th Labor Day Monday, Sept 6th Veterans Day Thursday, Nov 11th Thanksgiving Day Thursday, Nov 25th Christmas Eve Friday, Dec 24th Christmas Day (observed) Monday, Dec 27th

# **DOOLY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Mixon to serve as the Board of Commissioners representative on the Dooly County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for 2021.

### **REGULAR ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Regular Minutes of December 17, 2020.

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# **DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

The Dooly County Planning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing at 5:30 PM on January 25, 2021 at the Dooly County Commissioners Office. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow the Planning Commission to receive citizens' input and comments on the following zoning requests. Request #1: Real Estate Wireless Services LLC has submitted an Application for Conditional Use for the construction and operation of a cell tower on Tax Parcel #97-34, located on Adams Road. The property owner is Frances Southwell. Request #2: General Dynamics has submitted an Application for Conditional Use for the construction and operation of a cell tower on Tax Parcel #101-7, located on Pleasant Hill Road. The owners of the property are Cedric and Heather Cobb.

# **DOOLY COUNTY BUILDING PERMITS**

The Commissioners has scheduled a work session to discuss Building Permits on January 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Representatives from each City will be invited to attend the work session.

# **DOOLY COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Jacob Joiner, Dooly County Recreation Director, addressed the commissioners to inform them that the 2021 Basketball season has been cancelled due to COVID-19. He stated that several counties has cancelled basketball activities to prevent the spread of the virus.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Barron, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:40am to discuss a personnel matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 9:50a.m.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read as in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

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### **EMPLOYMENT OFFER**

Upon the recommendation of Don Williford, Dooly County EMS Director and Linda Woodson, Human Resource Director, William Thomas III is the selected candidate for hire for the paramedic vacancy. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to offer employment to William Thomas III for the Dooly EMS paramedic position.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, GA.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

TIMOTHY ROBINSON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #4** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

LINDA WOODSON

**COUNTY CLERK** 

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 21, 2021 Page 1 of 3**

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Sharon McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Chairman Barron led the Board in prayer.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as printed.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 7, 2021.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report for December 2020 was distributed to all the Commissioners.

#### **RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS**

The County Commissioners must select a member to serve on the River Valley Regional Commission Board of Directors. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to appoint Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason to serve on the River Valley Regional Commission Board of Directors.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 21, 2021 Page 2 of 3**

### **CORDELE STATE FARMERS MARKET**

The Georgia Department of Agriculture is attempting to form a multi-county advisory committee to discuss the future of the Cordele State Farmers Market. The State requests that Dooly County select three representatives to serve on the committee. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Timothy Robinson, EDC Director Scotty Mashburn, and Teel Warbington (local farmer).

### **DOOLY COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION**

The County Commissioners are currently serving as the Fiscal Agent for the Dooly County Family Connection for the period of July 2020 – June 2021. Amanda O'Neal-Neisent is the Coordinator and requests that the County Commissioners continue to serve as Fiscal Agent for the period of July 2021 – June 2022. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve for Dooly County Commissioners to serve as the fiscal agent for the Dooly County Family Connection for FY2020-2021.

#### WORK SESSION

The Commissioners conducted a work session today to discuss the Dooly County Building Permit/Inspection program with Building Official Glenn Layson. Also present were: Janet Joiner (City of Vienna), Velvet Layfield (City of Vienna); and Myron Mixon, Mayor of Unadilla.

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, GA.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

EUGENE ASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT/#3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

TIMOTHY/RORINSON

DISTRICT #4

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 4, 2021 - Page 1 of 3**

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Sharon McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Timothy Robinson led the Board in prayer.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as printed.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 21, 2021.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for January 2021 will be distributed at the next scheduled meeting.

### **DOOLY COUNTY TAX COMMISSIONER**

Tax Commissioner Paula Smith met with the board and discussed proposed upgrades to the computer system in her office. The initial cost will be \$18,000.00 with an annual fee after one year. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the upgrades.

Mrs. Smith also reported that the Tax Commissioner's Office has office hours: 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Monday thru Thursday.

### PINEHURST-HAWKINSVILLE ROAD

Public Works Director Rodney Hair and Lance Woods with Ocmulgee Consulting Engineers met with the Board to discuss proposed repairs to a cross drain on the Pinehurst-Hawkinsville Road.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 4, 2021 - Page 2 of 3**

### **FY2021 LMIG PROGRAM**

Lance Woods with Ocmulgee Consulting Engineers has prepared a Memorandum of Agreement that outlines the process for Dooly, Pulaski, and Wilcox Counties to participate in GDOT's FY2021 LMIG Program. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Ocmulgee Consulting Engineers.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COURTHOUSE ROOF LEAK**

Building Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas presented a proposal from Whitt's Quaility Roofing LLC for repairs to the three flat roof sections at the Courthouse at a total cost of \$15,487.00. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal.

### **REFUNDING BOND-SERIES 2015A**

Administrator Sanders reported that the next payment on the Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A is due on 03/01/2021 in the amount of \$48,060.00 (interest-only payment). This payment will be made from the SPLOST 2019-2024 Jail checking account.

# **GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND -SERIES 2015B**

Administrator Sanders reported that the next payment on the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015B is due on 03/01/2021 in the amount of \$264,491.25 (\$240,000.00 – principal amount; and, \$24,491.25 – interest). This payment will be made from the General Fund checking account.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 11:18 A.M. to discuss two litigation matters with the County Attornery, Bert Gregory.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:26 a.m.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read as in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 4, 2021 - Page 3 of 3**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #2

TIMOTHY ROBINSON

**DISTRICT #4** 

LINDA WOODSON

COUNTY CLERK

# DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 18, 2021 - Page 1 of 2

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Sharon McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner David Mixon led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 4, 2021.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for January 2021 was distributed to each Commissioner.

### PINEHURST FIRE DEPARTMENT

EMA Director Kenny Calhoun addressed the Commissioners to present a recommendation from the Board of Directors to purchase an upgraded fire engine for the Pinehurst Fire Department with a maximum cost of \$75,000.00. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

# ROOF LEAK AT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

At the 2/04/2021 meeting, Building Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas presented a proposal from Whitt's Quality Roofing LLC for repairs to the County Commissioner's Office roof in the amount of \$15,168.00. Upon motion by commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:32 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter with the County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - FEBRUARY 18, 2021 - Page 2 of 2

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:32 a.m.. to discuss a personnel matter with the County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### REGULAR SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:50 a.m.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read as in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

DISTRICT #1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT#3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXŎN, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

DISTRACT #4

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

## <u>DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>REGULAR MEETING - MARCH 4, 2021 - Page 1 of 2</u>

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Sharon McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Eugene Cason led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 18, 2021.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for February 2021 will be available at the next Commissioners meeting.

# MIDDLE FLINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE

Angela S. Holt, Chief Executive Officer for the Middle Flint Behavioral Healthcare, met with the County Commissioners. She supplied each Commissioner a information packet that lists the services provided in the following counties: Crawford, Crisp, Dooly, Houston, Macon, Marion, Peach, Schley, Sumter, Taylor, and Webster.

### **JOHN WILSON**

John Wilson, a Dooly County resident, met with the Board and voiced concerns about the Dooly County Building Permit/Inspection Department.

# CORDELE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE

The Cordele Judicial Circuit Public Defender Office has submitted their funding request for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of \$36,062.27. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve this request.

### **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - MARCH 4, 2021 - Page 2 of 2

### TIMBER HARVESTING ORDINANCE

County Administrator Sanders reported that the 2020 Georgia General Assembly made several changes to the state timber harvesting statute (OCGA 12-6-24). As a result, Dooly County needed to update our Timber Harvesting Ordinance. At today's meeting, Administrator Sanders presented a revised Ordinance for consideration by the Board. The new Ordinance complies with all State regulations. The County Commissioners agreed to the following: (1) the First Reading of the new Ordinance will be conducted at the 03/18/2021 meeting; (2) the Second Reading of the new Ordinance will be conducted at the 04/01/2021 meeting; and, (3) the new Ordinance may be adopted at the 04/01/2021 meeting.

#### ABM LOAN PAYMENT

The next payment on the ABM Loan is due on 04/01/2021 in the amount of \$466,534.29.

#### WORK SESSION

A work session was held to discuss the Dooly County Building Permit/Inspection Department with Building Official Glenn Layson.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #1** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

DISTRICT #4

VID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

**COUNTY CLERK** 

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 18, 2021 - Page 1 of 3**

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Administrator Sanders led the Board in prayer.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as printed.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 4, 2021.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for March 2021 was distributed to each Commissioner.

### **DOOLY COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION**

Wayne Wilkins, President of the Dooly Livestock Association, and Josh Epps, member of the Dooly County Livestock Association, met with the Commissioners in reference to donating to the County their facility (Tax Parcel #63A-5B) that is adjacent to the Pig Jig Site in Vienna to the County. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to authorize Attorney Gregory to prepare the necessary documents to expedite a contract between Dooly County Livestock Association and Dooly County Commissioners.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:15 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter with Wayne Wilkin, a member of the Board of Elections and with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, the board discussed a litigation matter and Real Estate matter with the County Attorney.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 18, 2021 - Page 2 of 3**

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:17 a.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **TIMBER HARVESTING ORDINANCE**

The County Commissioners conducted the First Reading of the new Timber Harvesting Ordinance at today's meeting. The Second Reading of the new Ordinance will be conducted at the 04/01/2021 meeting; and the new Ordinance may be adopted at the 04/01/2021 meeting.

### HVAC PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL

Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas has received two proposals for HVAC Preventative Maintenance for the period of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal of Safe Aire Heating & Cooling at a total cost of \$21,612.00.

#### RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, INC.

Resource Management Systems Inc. (RMS) is the Third Party Operator (TPO) that currently operates the Dooly County Transit Program. RMS proposes an Amendment to the current Operator Agreement, per guidance from a GDOT memo dated 01/18/2021. The Amendment is meant to ensure that all RMS's operating costs are recovered due to the reductions in service because of COVID-19. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment.

#### FY2021 LMIG CHECKING ACCOUNT

The County has received the FY2021 LMIG Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation in the amount of \$598,524.05. The Board needs to authorize a new checking account for these funds. County Administrator recommends using South Georgia Banking Company for the new checking account. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve South Georgia Banking Company for the FY2021 LMIG Checking Account.

### **DOOLY COUNTY BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**

Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas requested authority to hire a new employee. Upon the consensus of the Board, authority was granted to begin the process for hiring a new employee for the Maintenance Department.

### **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - MARCH 18, 2021 - Page 3 of 3

### DOOLY COUNTY DFCS BOARD

DFCS Director Linda Rollins requests that the County Commissioners fill two vacant positions on the DFCS Board. Ms. Rollins recommends the following individuals for these positions: Earl Clark and Yasmine Hurtado. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to appoint Earl Clark and Yasmine Hurtado fill the vacant positions on the Dooly DFCS Board.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:01 p.m.

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER **DISTRICT #2** 

DISTRICŤ #4

EUGEÆ CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

LINDA WOODSON

COUNTY CLERK

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

# REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 01, 2021 - Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Commissioner David Mixon was absent. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Chairman Barron led the Board in prayer.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## <u>AGENDA APPROVAL</u>

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda..

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of March 18, 2021.

# **DOOLY COUNTY CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT**

Dooly County Clerk of Superior Court Rosa Childs presented a proposal for digitally archiving the historical deeds and plats that are recorded in her office. The total cost of this project is \$65,645.80. This matter was tabled until the County learns more details about potential funds from the American Rescue Plan Act, that was adopted by the U. S. Congress to provide financial assistance in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

# TIMBER HARVESTING ORDINANCE

The County Commissioners conducted the Second Reading of the proposed new Timber Harvesting Ordinance at today's meeting. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to adopt the new Timber Harvesting Ordinance.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 01, 2021 - Page 2 of 3**

# BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas reports that have been issues with the sewage line at the Courthouse. The line from the edge of the building to Cotton Street has been completely replaced. The line under the building needs to be replaced. He has received a proposal from Thomas Mitchell Plumbing for \$7,500.00 to complete this project. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal from Thomas Mitchell to complete the Dooly Courthouse sewage line for \$7,500.00.

# FY2020-2021 EIGHTH DISTRICT JUDICAL COURT REQUEST

District Court Administrator Bob Nadekow has submitted the funding request for the Eighth Judicial Administrative District for FY 2021-2022:

\$7,734.00 Data Exchange Project

\$27,301.00 Juvenile Court \$65,600.00 Superior Court

\$100,635.00 Total

Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve this funding request.

# **LOCAL ISSUING AUTHORITY**

Dooly County currently serves at the Local Issuing Authority (LIA) for Erosion, Sedimentation, and Pollution Control (ES&PC) Programs. Former Building Inspector Gary Houston was certified as our LIA. The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources has inquired if Dooly County has anyone certified as our LIA. If not, the state will perform the duties for this program. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to notify EPD that Dooly County no longer wish to be a LIA for Erosion, Sedimentation, and Pollution Control (ES&PC) Programs.

## **OLD BARBER SHOP**

Lawanna Williams has expressed an interest in obtaining the Old Barber Shop located on 202 S. Third Street in Vienna. Due to concerns from the Commissioners, they request that she attend the next scheduled Commissioners meeting. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:06 a.m. to discuss a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### REGULAR SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:17 a.m.

### **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 01, 2021 - Page 3 of 3

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Vice Chairman Cason, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

DISTRICT#1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENÉ CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN DISTRICT #5

**COUNTY CLERK** 

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

# REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 15, 2021 - Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Chairman Robinson led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of April 1, 2021.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for March 2021 was distributed to each Commissioner.

# **DOOLY COUNTY TAX ASSESSORS OFFICE**

Ashlyn Adkins, Dooly County Chief Tax appraiser and Consultant Russell Johnson met with the County Commissioners. Mrs. Adkins reported that the Board of Assessors was considering getting new Aerial Photography. She requested that the County Commissioners attend a presentation from a vendor (Eagle View) to learn some of the benefits of getting new Aerial Photography. The County Commissioners agreed to attend. Mrs. Adkins will let Administrator Sanders now when the presentation has been scheduled.

# CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

Ms. Linda Rollins, Dooly County Department of Family & Children Services Director, informed the Commissioners that April is "Child Abuse Awareness Month." She requested that the Commissioners adopt a proclamation that declares April as "Child Abuse Awareness Month" in Dooly County. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to adopt April as "Child Abuse Awareness month and granted Chairman Barron to sign the proclamation.

# <u>DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 15, 2021 - Page 2 of 3</u>

### **OLD BARBER SHOP**

Tawanna Williams, Dooly County citizen who resides at 510 Harold Street in Vienna, addressed the Board about acquiring the Old Barber Shop building located on 202 S. Third Street in Vienna. She expressed that the building would be used to teach children about growing vegetables and fruits. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to donate the Old Barber shop to Ms. Williams upon the present lot being cleaned and the building relocated to her property within a 30-day window.

# FY2021 JOINT LMIG PROJECT

Ocmulgee Consulting Engineers recommends that the group (Dooly County, Pulaski County, Wilcox County, and the City of Hawkinsville) approve the proposal submitted by East Coast Asphalt LLC for \$1,514,745.52. Dooly County has (4) roads in this Joint LMIG Project: Mt. Vernon Road, Teate Road, Thompson Road, and Tippettville Road. The total proposed cost of Dooly County's projects is \$575,066.71. Upon motion by commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the Ocmulgee Engineers recommendation for the contract and authorized Chairman Barron to execute the necessary paperwork.

# REQUEST FOR ROAD ABANDONMENT

Eddie Green, of 1295 Leavens Road, Unadilla, Georgia has requested that the county abandon the dirt section of Hudson Corner Road. This section of road is between State Route 230 and State Route 329 (west of Unadilla). The County Commissioners agreed to conduct a Public Hearing on this proposed road abandonment at 9:30 AM on Thursday, May 20. All landowners on this section of road will be notified of the Public Hearing. A notice of the Public Hearing will be posted on the section of road. A notice of the Public Hearing will be published in the local newspaper.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. to discuss a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, Building Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas was in attendance.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:45 a.m.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 15, 2021 - Page 3 of 3**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **EMPLOYMENT OFFER**

Applications for a Maintenance Worker in the Building Maintenance Department were received, and interviews were conducted. Building Maintenance Supervisor Brandon Christmas and Humans Resources Director Linda Woodson recommended Richard Harville for the position. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve that Richard Harville be offered the position.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:50a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT¥1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

ĐAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

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DISTRICT #4

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

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# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

# REGULAR MEETING - MAY 06, 2021 - Page 1 of 4

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee,

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Vice-Chairman Cason led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Cason the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of April 15, 2021.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for April will be available at the next regular meeting.

### DOOLY COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION

At the March 18, 2021 County Commissioners' meeting, the Dooly County Livestock Association expressed a desire to donate their facility on Pig Jig Boulevard in Vienna (Tax Parcel #63A-5B) to the County. The County Commissioners agree to accept the donation and instructed County Attorney Bert Gregor to prepare the necessary documents for the transaction. At today's meeting, Administrator Sanders reported that the Livestock Association has executed a Limited Warranty Deed transferring this property to the County. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Mixon voted unanimously to accept the donated property (Tax Parcel #63A-5B) from the Dooly County Livestock Association

## CRISP/DOOLY JOINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The following terms on the Crisp/Dooly County Joint Authority Board expire June 30, 2021: Neil Joiner, Scotty Mashburn, and Leroy Shewman. Mr. Joiner is not willing to serve another term. Mr. Mashburn and Mr. Shewman are willing to serve another term. Babe McGowan has been recommended to replace Mr. Joiner. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to appoint Scotty Mashburn, Leroy Shewman, and Babe McGowan to serve on the Crisp/Dooly Joint Development Authority Board for a term that begins 07/01/2021 and ends on 06/30/2025.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 06, 2021 - Page 2 of 4**

## **DOOLY COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD**

The Dooly County Library Board term for Angela Brannen will expire June 30, 2021. Angela Brannen is willing to serve another term. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Angela Brannen to serve on the Dooly County Library Board another four-year term.

The Dooly County Library Board term for Gwendolyn Dexter will expire June 30, 2021. Gwendolyn Dexter is willing to serve another term. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Gwendolyn Dexter to serve on the Dooly County Library Board for another four-year term.

The Dooly County Library Board term for Elaine Johnson will expire June 30, 2021. Elaine Johnson is willing to serve another term. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Elaine Johnson to serve on the Dooly County Library Board for another four-year term.

## REQUEST FOR ROAD ABANDONMENT

Eddie Green, of 1295 Leavens Road, Unadilla, Georgia has requested that the County abandon the dirt section of Hudson Corner Road. A Public Hearing on this proposed road abandonment will be held on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 9:30 AM. All landowners on this section of road have been notified and a notice of the Public Hearing has been posted on the section of road.

## **DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

The Dooly County Board of Assessors has a vacant position for retiree, Oscar Chaney. Valentina Thomas has been recommended to fill this position. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to appoint Valentina Thomas to the Dooly County Board of Assessors for a term that expires 12/31/2021.

# GEORGIA BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT INIATIVE PROGRAM

The Georgia Broadband Deployment Initiative is a program that is administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and is geared toward providing access to high-speed internet across the State. Any political subdivision in Georgia pursuing improved broadband service is eligible to participate. Administrator Sanders advised there would be several things that will be needed to get this process in action. The commissioners agreed to start the process for this program to be implemented.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 06, 2021 - Page 3 of 4**

## **INTERSECTION OF STATE ROUTE 215 AND 257**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to request that the Georgia Department of Transportation install Flashing Beacons at the intersection of State Route 215 and State Route 257. The devices will be installed by GDOT at no cost to the County.

### **OPIOID LITIGATION**

In 2018, the Dooly County Commissioners agreed to join the nationwide opioid litigation and selected the Clark & Smith Law Firm of Macon to represent the County in potential litigation against contributors of the Opioid addiction crisis. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to request that the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) submit a letter to Governor Brian Kemp and Attorney General Chris Carr requesting a meeting with the State and ACCG to discuss the Opioid Litigation.

## 2021-2022 ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIED RENEWAL RATES

Ray Clemons, Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance representative, addressed the Commissioners for the county employees' medical insurance renewal rates for 2021-2022. He stated that county medical insurances rates will increase by 1.1%. The renewal date is July 1, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the 1.1% increase for Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield medical insurance rates for 2021-2022.

### **DOOLY COUNTY FIRE DEPARMENT**

Kenny Calhoun, Dooly County EMS Director reported that the Fire Department has a 1986 Ford Fire Knocker chassis (1986 Ford F700 / #1FKNF70H9GVA11400) that is out of service and can be declared as Surplus. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson the board voted unanimously to declare the 1986 Ford Fire Knocker as surplus and can be advertised for sale.

### **DOOLY COUNTY ROAD REPAIR**

Lance Woods with Ocmulgee Consulting Engineers and Dooly County Public Works Director Rodney Hair met and discussed Road repairs. There are 18 roads that needs repairing at \$188,400.00. Upon motion by commissioner Mixon and seconded by commissioner Cason.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, May 20 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 06, 2021 - Page 4 of 4**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:50a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

EUGENE-CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

MOTHY ROBINSON

DISTRICT #4

LINDÁ WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

# REGULAR MEETING - MAY 20, 2021 - Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center, Jail Administrator.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Lester led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of May 6, 2021.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for April was distributed to each Commissioner at today's meeting.

# LIBERTY HOUSE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM

Diane Rogers Liberty House Executive Director addressed the Commissioners about their Domestic Violence Program. Liberty House is a nonprofit agency in Dougherty County that provides comprehensive services for Domestic Violence Victims and their families. They serve Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Crisp, Dooly, Dougherty, Early, Lee, Macon, Miller, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, Sumter and Terrell Counties. Liberty House provides the following services: 24/7 Crisis line support service, Emergency Shelter services, Education and Prevention services, outreach advocacy and legal advocacy.

# GEORGIA POWER - TAX ASSESSORS/TAX COMMISSIONER BUILDING

John Hayes and Mike Roper with Georgia Power appeared before the Commissioners to discuss an issue with a power line in front of the Tax Assessors/Tax Commissioner Building at 105 W. Cotton Street in Vienna. The County needs to perform some repairs to the building. Georgia Power states that the power line must be de-energized while the repairs are being performed due to the power line being within ten feet of the building. John Hayes stated that it would cost the County \$18,834.00 for Georgia Power to de-energize the power line. No action was taken.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 20, 2021 - Page 2 of 3**

# **GEORGIA POWER - CLEMONS ROAD**

John Hayes and Mike Roper with Georgia Power also discussed the proposed easement on Clemons Road. Georgia Power is permission to install a power line on a section of the right of way privileges for access to Clemons Road. No action was taken on this project.

# PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED ROAD ABANDONMENT

A Public Hearing was held today at 9:40 a.m. to receive public comments on the abandonment of the dirt road section of Hudson Corner Road (begins at State Route 230 and ends at McCorvey Road). No public comments were received. After some discussion, the Board determined that this section of road has ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and second by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to declare this section of the county road system abandoned. Hereafter, this section of road shall no longer be part of the county road system and the rights of the public in and to this section of road as a public road shall cease.

# GEORGIA BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT INIATIVE PROGRAM

Mr. Gerald Mixon with River Valley Regional Commission is assisting with this project. A Public Hearing is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Thursday, June 3, at the County Commissioners Office. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive public comments on the proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan as part of the process to obtain the designation of a "Broadband Ready Community" by the State.

# NATIONAL EMS WEEK

May 16-21 is National Emergency Medical Services Weeks. This is the time to recognize and express gratitude to all emergency medical service providers for their time, dedication and commitment. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to adopt and proclaim May 16-21, 2021 as National EMS Week.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – MAY 20, 2021 - Page 3 of 3**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:40a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT#3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT** 

DAVID MIXÓN, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

TIMOTHY ROBINSON

DISTRICT #4

LINDA WOODSON

#### **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

### REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 3, 2021- Page 1 of 4

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center, Jail Administrator.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Cason led the Board in prayer.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as printed.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of May 20, 2021.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for May will be distributed at the next scheduled meeting.

#### GENE ALLEN, FY2020-2021 AUDIT REPORT

Herbert "Gene" Allen, Certified Public Accountant has prepared the Independent Auditor's Report for FY2019-2020. He presented a summary of the Report. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Cason and second by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to authorize Mr. Allen to submit the Report to the Georgia Department of Audits.

#### **OLD FLOWER SHOP**

Janet Joiner with the City of Vienna introduced Tacorra Daniels to the Commissioners. Mrs. Daniels is interested in purchasing the Old Flower Shop building (104 Cotton Street, Vienna). Mrs. Daniels (formerly of Vienna) is interested in purchasing this building for business purposes to open a Fresh Fish Market at this location. Presently, the County's Election Equipment is stored in this building and other accommodations must be made to house this equipment. No action was taken at this time.

## **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 3, 2021- Page 2 of 3

# CLEMONS ROAD - GEORGIA POWER REQUEST

Georgia Power has requested permission to install a power line on a short section of the R/W of Clemons Road. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to execute the easement (Project 2020080119) for Georgia Power to install a power line on Clemons Road.

# PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED ROAD ABANDONMENT

A Public Hearing was held today at 9:40 a.m. to receive public comments on the abandonment of the dirt road section of Hudson Corner Road (begins at State Route 230 and ends at McCorvey Road). No public comments were received. After some discussion, the Board determined that this section of road has ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and second by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to declare this section of the county road system abandoned. Hereafter, this section of road shall no longer be part of the county road system and the rights of the public in and to this section of road as a public road shall cease.

# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Earlier this year, the U. S. Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. As part of the overall package, the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund would provide approximately \$350 billion in new federal fiscal assistance for our nation's states, territories, tribes, counties, and municipalities. Administrator Sanders reported that Dooly County is eligible for funding of \$2,600,851.00. The United States Treasury Department should be issuing the first payment of \$1,300,425.50 (50%) to Dooly County within the next few days. Administrator Sanders requested authority to open a new checking account at South Georgia Banking Company for the American Rescue Plan funds. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson voted unanimously to authorize a new checking account at South Georgia Banking Company to be named "American Rescue Plan".

### **DFCS BOARD**

Dale Clemons' term expires June 30, 2021. She is not willing to serve another term. Therefore, the DFCS Board will have a vacant position that needs to be filled. No action taken at this time.

### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Rodney Bowen currently serves on the Board of Assessors with a term that expires 12/31/2023. For personal reasons, Mr. Bowen has requested to be replaced on the Board. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to appoint Eddie Green to the Board of Assessors for a term that expires 12/31/2023.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 3, 2021- Page 4 of 4**

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, June 17, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DĂVĪD B**ARRON**, CHAIRMAN

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DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

TIMOTHY KOBINSON

DISTRICT #4

LINDA WOODSON

## **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 3, 2021- Page 3 of 4

# MIDDLE GEORGIA REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMEN AUTHORITY

The Middle Georgia Regional Solid Waste Management Authority (Dooly County, Macon County, and Peach County) will hold a Public Hearing regarding the Authority entering into a contract for management of the Authority's existing Middle Georgia Regional Landfill located on Highway 49 by Buck Run Landfill, LLC. The hearing will be held on Monday, June 14, 2021, at 6:00 PM at the Preston Williams Center in Montezuma, Georgia.

### **TOWN OF DOOLING**

Administrator Sanders reported that the Town of Dooling requests that the County take over the billing for residential solid waste collection. Currently, the Town performs the billing for residential solid waste collections (it is included with the water bill). The Town requests that the County take over the billing for residential solid waste collection. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board agreed to take over the billing for residential solid waste collection. The effective date of the transition will be negotiated by the two parties.

### STORAGE SHEDS

Dooly County Building Official/Zoning Administrator Glenn Layson informed the Commissioners that individuals were attempting to use storage sheds for residential structures. Mr. Layson stated that most storage sheds do not meet the building codes for residential structures. No action was taken.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 11:05 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory

### REGULAR SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:10 a.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

### EMPLOYMENT OFFER

Don Williford, EMS Director is recommending Charlotte McDaniel, part-time Paramedic to be hired as a full-time paramedic. Angela Starnes, full-time paramedic is changing her employment status from full-time to part time effective July 1, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to offer full-time employment to Charlotte McDaniel.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING - JUNE 3, 2021**

A Public Hearing was held this date at 6:00 PM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. The purpose was to receive public comments regarding the proposed amendments to the Greater Dooly County Comprehensive Plan. The County and all six municipalities have plans to amend their joint comprehensive plan with a Broadband Service Element in pursuit of obtaining a "Broadband Ready Community" designation by the State of Georgia. No comments were received from the public.

The following individuals were present for this Public Hearing: Scotty Mashburn, Director – Dooly County Economic Development Council Gerald Mixon, Planning Director – River Valley Regional Commission Stephen C. Sanders, Administrator – Dooly County Commissioners

STEPHEN C. SANDERS

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

## REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 17, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Commissioner David Mixon was absent. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Robinson led the Board in prayer.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of June 3, 2021.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report for May was distributed to each Commissioner.

## **DOOLY COUNTY EMS DEPARTMENT-STAFFING ISSUES**

EMS Director Don Williford addressed the Commissioners to discuss staffing issues/concerns within the EMS Department. Currently, all EMS services in Georgia are being faced with staffing shortages. Currently, the County operates one ambulance 24 hrs/day 7 days/week from the Vienna Station and one ambulance 24 hrs/day 7 days/week from the Unadilla Station. Mr. Williford reported that there may be days that he does not have enough available staff to operate both ambulances, which could result in longer response times.

## **DOOLY COUNTY EMS DEPARTMENT-AMBULANCE REQUEST**

EMS Director Don Williford reported that the 2005 Ford ambulance has 164,000 miles is currently out of service for repairs. He recommended that the County replace this vehicle with a new one that can be purchased for approximately \$150,000.00. The purchase could be funded from the SPLOST EMS Account. The Commissioners granted the authority to request bids for a new ambulance.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 17, 2021- Page 2 of 3**

## **DOOLY COUNTY ASSESSORS OFFICE – ARIAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

Chief Appraiser Ashlyn Adkins and Consultant Russell Johnson presented a recommendation from the Board of Assessor for the approval of new arial photography by EagleView at a cost of \$42,000.00, which can be paid with three annual payments of \$14,000.00. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Board of Assessors.

## **DOOLY COUNTY ASSESSORS OFFICE - RESIGNATION**

Chief Appraiser Ashlyn Adkins announced to the Commissioners that she has submitted her letter of resignation to the Board of Assessors effective 6-25.21. She expressed her appreciation to the Board of Commissioners for the great support during her employment with the county.

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Under the American Rescue Plan Act that was passed by the U.S. Congress earlier this year, Dooly County is eligible for \$2,600,851.00. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to accept the terms and conditions and the County's allocation of \$2,600,851.00 from the United States Treasury for the American Rescue Plan State and Local Recovery Fund which were signed by Chairman Barron on 5/24/21. These funds will be distributed by the U.S. Treasury in two payments. The first payment of \$1,300,425.50 was received on 6/7/2021 and deposited into the new checking account named "American Rescue Plan." The balance of the funds should be distributed by the United States Treasury in June 2022.

#### **DFCS BOARD**

The DFCS Board has vacant position to replace Dale Clemmons whose term is expiring 6/30/21 and does not wish to serve another term. The Board agreed to send Ms. Clemons a letter of appreciation for her 20 years of service.

#### **GEORGIA BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT INITIATIV**

The County Commissioners need to adopt a Resolution amending the Greater Dooly County Comprehensive Plan 2018-2017 to add the following items: (1) Adopt a Broadband Ordinance; (2) Secure "Broadband Ready Community" designation; and (3) Pursue funding and/or provide services to facilitate enhanced broadband service availability. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Cason and second by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt said Resolution.

The second reading of the Ordinance that supports the expansion of Broadband Service was conducted today. Upon the motion of Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to adopt the Ordinance supporting the expansion of Broadband Service.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 17, 2021- Page 3 of 3**

#### **COUNTY HOLIDAY**

The county will be observing July 4th Holiday on Monday, July 5, 2021.

### DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

The next meeting of the Dooly County Planning Commission is scheduled for 5:30 PM on Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### DOOLY COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Administrator Sanders recommended approval to purchase a new vehicle from Brannen Motor Company for the Maintenance Department at a cost of \$37,434.00. Upon the motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve this purchase.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, July 1, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

DISTRICT #4

**EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN** 

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

LINDA WOODSON

## REGULAR MEETING – JULY 1, 2021- Page 1 of 2

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Chairman Barron led the Board in prayer.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

## **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of June 17, 2021.

## DOOLY COUNTY EMS DEPARTMENT-NEW AMBULANCE REQUEST

At the June 17, 2021 meeting, the Commissioners authorized EMS Director Don Williford to request bids for a new ambulance. At today's meeting, he reported that he had received one proposal from Custom Truck & Body Works for a new ambulance at a cost \$147,668.00. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal from Custom Works.

## **MIDDLE GEORGIA REGIONAL E-911 AUTHORITY**

EMA Director Kenny Calhoun reported that the Middle Georgia Regional E-911 Authority is submitting their funding request of \$48,751.35 for FY2021-2022. This amount represents an increase of \$407.05 from FY2020-2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve this funding request.

## **COUNTY HOLIDAY**

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday will be observed by the County employees on Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

## TOWN OF DOOLING-BUILDING INSPECTIONS

In May 2017, Dooly County and the Town of Dooling executed an Intergovernmental Agreement for the County to conduct Building Inspections/Code Enforcement for the Town. The Agreement expired 12/31/2020. The Town desires to extend this Agreement. The Board authorized County Attorney Gregory to prepare a new Agreement.

## **<u>DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>REGULAR MEETING</u> – JULY 1, 2021- Page 2 of 2**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:01 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, Don Williford was present for the personnel matter.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:55 a.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

#### **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

A budget work session was held to begin the budget process for FY 2021-2022.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:04 pm.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXÓN, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGEME CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

TIMOTHY ROBINSON

**DISTRICT #4** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

LINDA WOODSON

## REGULAR MEETING - JULY 15, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee,

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Administrator Sanders led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of July 1, 2021.

## VIENNA BARBER SHOP

Arthur "Bo" Dolph, Dooly County resident and military veteran, approached the Commissioners to express interest in the Old Barber shop located on Highway 41 South. He stated the old barber shop once served as a historical site - former draft registration office in Vienna and would like to request that this building be preserved as a memorial site. Upon the suggestion of Commissioner Lester, he suggested that more information be gathered into this proposal before a decision is made. This item was tabled until further notice.

## **DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING**

The Dooly County Planning and Zoning Commissions Board met on July 12<sup>th</sup> and has referred the Storage Building located at 1931 Langford Road (owned by Chance and Kandis Langford) back to the Commissioners for the final decision. The planning committee approved the Conditional use and recommended that the Commercial building be brought up to code. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the Commercial Building to be used as a Beauty Salon contingent upon the upgrade recommendations, ADA requirements, and the hurricane straps requirements as outlined in Exhibit A.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – JULY 15, 2021- Page 2 of 3**

## MIDDLE FLINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD

Chief Executive Officer Angelo Holt has recommended Rev. Jerry Akin, Pastor of the Vienna United Methodist Church, to serve on this board. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Rev. Akin for a term that expires 6/30/2023.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:55 a.m. to discuss two personnel matters with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, EMS Director Don Williford was present for one of the personnel matters.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:15 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

## **EMPLOYMENT OFFER**

Don Williford, EMS Director recommends William Patrick to be hired as a part time EMT. Mr. Patrick was interviewed by Don Williford and Linda Woodson, Human Resource Director for the part time EMT position. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to offer part time EMT employment to William Patrick.

## **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

A budget work session was held to discuss the proposed FY2021-2022 Budget.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

## **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING - JULY 15, 2021 - Page 3 of 3

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:25 pm.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

**EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN** 

**DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

DISTRICT #4

## WORK SESSION - JULY 22, 2021 Page 1 of 1

A work session of the Dooly County Commissioners was held today at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Tim Robinson. Also present were Administrator Steve Sanders, and Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **PRAYER**

Prayer was led by Commissioner Barron.

## **ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner David Barron.

#### **AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the printed agenda.

### WORK SESSION

A Budget Work Session was held today for the FY2021-2022. The Commissioners met with the following Department Heads: Sheriff Craig Peavy and Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant; Rodney Hair, Public Works Director; Kenny Calhoun, EMA Director; and Jeremy Register, Cooperative Extension Service Director.

## **NEXT BUDGET SESSION**

The next budget session is scheduled for Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester band seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimonsly to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

EUGENE CASON, VICE CHAIRMAN **DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

## WORK SESSION - JULY 27, 2021 Page 1 of 1

A work session of the Dooly County Commissioners was held today at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner David Mixon, and Commissioner Tim Robinson. Commissioner Tony Lester was absent. Also present were Administrator Steve Sanders, and Clerk Linda Woodson.

### **PRAYER**

Prayer was led by Commissioner Cason.

#### **ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner David Barron.

#### **AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the printed agenda.

#### **WORK SESSION**

A Budget Work Session was held today for the FY2021-2022. The Commissioners met with the following Department Heads: Judge Rooney Bowen, Probate Court/Magistrate Court; Scotty Mashburn, Economic Development Council; Chris Flynn, Information Technology; Jacob Joiner, Recreation Department; Brenetta Childs, Elections Department; Paula Smith, Tax Commissioner; and Brandon Christmas, Building Maintenance.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 pm.

DAVID BARRON. CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

EUGENE CASON, VICE CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #2** 

TIMOTHY ROBINSON, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #4

LINDA WOODSON

## REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 5, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Dooly County Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Cason led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

## **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 15 Regular Meeting, July 22 Budget Work Session, and July 27 Budget Work Session.

## **CRISP/DOOLY FORESTRY COMMISSION**

Marty Fore, Crisp/Dooly County Forestry Ranger presented the Annual Report for the Crisp/Dooly Forestry Unit for FY 2020-2021.

## SYLVESTER GRANVILLE

Sylvester Granville addressed the Commissioners and stated his concerns on the Open Records Act.

## RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The County has received a proposed Amendment #1 to the existing Contract with Resource Management Systems Inc. for the operation of the Dooly County Transit System. This Amendment "streamlines" the reimbursement process from GDOT. It does not change the dollar amount of funding from GDOT. RMS will be compensated by an hourly rate with a maximum dollar amount per year. RMS states that this amendment was requested by GDOT. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposed amendment on the existing contract with RMS.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 5, 2021- Page 2 of 3**

#### **2015 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

The next payments on the 2015 General Obligation Bonds are due 09/01/2021: Series 2015A - \$48,000.00 (interest only) - this will be paid from the SPLOST 2019-2024 Jail checking account; and, Series 2015B - \$21,191.25 (interest only) - this will be paid from the General Fund Checking Account.

## 2020 STORM DRAINAGE REPAIR PROJECT - CHANGE ORDER #1

The County's Engineers have submitted Change Order #1 for the 2020 Storm Drainage Repair project. The original contract Amount was \$396,910. Change Order #1 is an additional expense of \$102,173.51 for additional work on the new culverts on Springhill Road, Teate Road, and Tri-County Road. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #1.

#### 2020 STORM DRAINAGE REPAIR PROJECT - CHANGE ORDER #2

The County's Engineers have submitted Change Order #2 for the 2020 Storm Drainage Repair project in the amount of \$265,200.00. This project includes the patching/leveling at (35) separate locations on County paved roads. Upon motion by commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #2.

## 2020 STORM DRAINAGE REPAIR PROJECT - CHANGE ORDER #3

The County's Engineers have submitted Change Order #3 for the 2020 Storm Drainage Repair project in the amount of \$109,464.60. This project includes the resurfacing of (4) parking lots: north of Courthouse; Health Department; Library; and, west of EMA Office. This proposal was not accepted by the Board.

## HVAC UNIT UPGRADES – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Maintenance Director Brandon Christmas presented a proposal from SafeAire Heating & Cooling for the installation of a "Halo Air Purifier System" on the HVAC units in County Buildings. EMS Director Don Williford discussed the benefits of this system. This system will aid in the prevention of Covid, mold, fungus, and other viruses. The request is to purchase 43 units that will cost about \$33,450.00. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the purchase of the Halo Air Purifier System units and fund this transaction with American Rescue Plan Act funds.

#### <u>HISTORICAL RECORDS IMAGING PROJECT – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT</u>

Clerk of Superior Court Rosa Childs presented a proposal for scanning/indexing Deeds and Plats that are on file in her office at the Courthouse. This would provide the public with online access to these important documents. The total cost of the project is \$65,645.80. Chief Superior Court Judge Robert Chasteen supports this project. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve this project and fund this transaction with American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 5, 2021- Page 3 of 3**

## **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

A budget work session was held to continue discussing the proposed FY2021-2022 budget. Rosa Childs, Dooly County Clerk of Superior Court met with the Commissioners.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 11:02 a.m. to discuss two potential litigation and a personnel matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 12:15 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

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#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, August 19, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:30 pm.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #1

FUCENT CASON VICE CHAIDMAN

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

TIMOTHY ROBINSON

**DISTRICT #4** 

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

### WORK SESSION - AUGUST 12, 2021 Page 1 of 1

A work session of the Dooly County Commissioners was held today at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner David Mixon, Commissioner Tony Lester, and Commissioner Tim Robinson. Also present were Administrator Steve Sanders and Clerk Linda Woodson.

#### **PRAYER**

Prayer was led by Commissioner Woodson.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner David Barron.

#### **AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the printed agenda.

#### **BUILDING MAINTENANCE ISSUE**

Maintenance Director Brandon Christmas updated the Board on the roof repair project at the Courthouse Annex.

#### WORK SESSION

A Budget Work Session was held today for the proposed FY2021-2022 Budget.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 pm.

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #1** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

EUGENE CASON, VICE CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #2** 

**DISTRICT #3** 

TIMOTHY ROBINSON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #4** 

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## REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 19, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee and, Darrell Bryant, Dooly County Jail Administrator.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Cason led the Board in prayer.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

## **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of August 5, 2021.

## **DOOLY COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Recreation Director Jacob Joiner, Coach Brent Owens, and Coach Joseph Willis met with the Commissioners (Coach Chad Chadwick was unable to be present). They announced that the Recreation Department 12 & Under Baseball All-Stars Team recently won the 2021 Dixie Youth Majors State Championship and represented the State of Georgia in the Dixie Youth World Series in Mississippi. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to present a Proclamation to the Team, Coaches, and Recreation Department honoring their Championship Season.

## REEDY BRANCH BAPTIST CHURCH

Scotty McKenzie and Janie Winters members of the Reedy Branch Baptist Church of Byromville addressed the Commissioners to request assistance with re-opening section of Kitchens Street and Felton Avenue. Administrator Sanders reported that the Town of Byromville has submitted a letter requesting assistance with this project. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted 4-yes (Cason, Lester, Mixon, Robinson) - 1 abstained (Barron) to assist the Town of Byromville with this project.

# DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 19, 2021- Page 2 of 3

## CRISP COUNTY WATER SYSTEM EXPANSION PROGRAM

Crisp County Administrator Clark Harrell and Crisp County Public Works Director Carl Campbell addressed the Commissioner regarding a proposed expansion of the Lake Blackshear Area Water System. Crisp County is applying for grant funds to expand their water system along Lake Blackshear. They want to know if Dooly County is interested in allowing Crisp County to extend their water system along River Road up to State Route 27. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to support the proposed expansion of the Lake Blackshear Area Water System.

## **INCENTIVE FOR COVID VACCINATION**

The Commissioners discussed the ongoing COVID pandemic that continues to be a serious public health threat in our community. The Commissioners encourage everyone to get vaccinated. As an incentive to get vaccinated, the Commissioners discussed an Incentive Payment to employees that are fully vaccinated. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted to offer an Incentive Payment to employees. The vote was: 4- yes (Barron, Cason, Lester, and Robinson) and 1- no (Mixon). The Incentive Payment details are: (1) Full-time employees are eligible for \$500.00; (2) Part-time employees are eligible for \$250.00; (3) Employees that are already fully vaccinated are eligible; (4) Employees must provide proof of vaccination; (5) The Incentive Payment program will expire October 31; (6) Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act will fund the Incentive Payment program.

## **DFCS RENT PAYMENTS**

The County owns the DFCS Building located at 1022 W. Union Street in Vienna. The State pays monthly rent to the County for use of the building. In 2019, the State renegotiated the monthly rent due to the fact that the County's Loan (that financed the construction of the building) was paid in full. Effective July 1, 2019, the monthly rent was to reduce from \$14,864.35 to \$8,227.50. However, the State continued to make monthly rent payments in the amount of \$14,864.35 thru June 2021, which has resulted in an overpayment of \$159,284.40 to the County. The State has discovered their error and is asking how the County wishes to reimburse the State for the overpayment of \$159,284.40. The Commissioners agreed to request that the overpayment be credited to future monthly rent payments.

## VIDEO SYSTEM REQUEST FOR COURTROOM AT THE JAIL

Chief Superior Court Judge Robert Chasteen, Probate Judge Rooney Bowen, and Sheriff Craig Peavy requests the approval of the installation of a video system in the Courtroom at the Justice Center to allow live streaming of Court Proceedings. The cost of the project is \$38,688.03. This project is eligible for funding from the American Rescue Plan Act funds. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the purchase of the Video Live Streaming System for the Dooly Justice Courtroom to be funded by the American Rescue Plan Act.

# DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 19, 2021- Page 3 of 3

## **DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

The next meeting of the Dooly County Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, at the County Commissioners Office. Tonya Adams has applied for a Zoning Variance for an additional manufactured home on Tax Parcel 39-4 (3001 Mims Road).

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:38 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

## **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

A budget work session was held to discuss the proposed FY2021-2022 Budget.

## NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, September 2, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:05 pm.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT#3

DAVÍD BARRON, CHAIRMAN DISTRICT #5 LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

DISTRICT #4

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

## REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 2, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee and, Dooly County Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Chairman Barron led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **INCENTIVE FOR COVID VACCINATION**

The Commissioners discussed the ongoing COVID pandemic that continues to be a serious public health threat in our community. The Commissioners encourage everyone to get vaccinated. At their August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Commissioners approved an Incentive Payment to employees that are fully vaccinated. At today's meeting, the Commissioners discussed offering an Incentive Payment to volunteer firefighters that are fully vaccinated. Upon the motion by Vice-Chairman Cason and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to offer an Incentive Payment to volunteer firefighters that are fully vaccinated. The Incentive Payment details are: (1) Volunteer firefighters are eligible for \$250.00; (2) Volunteer firefighters that are already fully vaccinated are eligible; (3) Volunteer firefighters must provide proof of vaccination; (4) The Incentive Payment program will expire October 31; (5) Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act will fund the Incentive Payment program.

## **DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

There is a vacancy on the DFCS Board. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Vice-Chairman Cason, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Debra Bryant to the Dooly County DFCS Board for a term that expires 06/30/2026.

### BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Administrator Sanders reported that Willie Davis has resigned from the Board of Elections. The Board expressed their appreciation for Mr. Davis's years of service (2010-2021). Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and second by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Eddie Woodson to the Board of Elections for a term that expires 12/31/2021.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 2, 2021- Page 2 of 3**

## MIDDLE GEORGIA REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

The terms of Tony Lester and Stephen Sanders expired 08/31/2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Lester and Mr. Sanders to another four-year term that expires 08/31/2025.

## FUEL SYSTEM AT PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Public Works Director Rodney Hair met with the Board and presented a proposal for a fuel system at the Public Works Department. This matter was tabled.

## PUBLIC HEARING – 2021 MILLAGE RATE

A Public Hearing was held today to receive comments on the 2021 Millage Rate. The proposed millage rate for the Dooly County Board of Commissioners will remain at 19.000 mills. The proposed millage rate for the Dooly County Board of Education will remain at 16.404 mills. No public comments were received.

#### **2021 TAX LEVY**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the 2021 Tax Levy of 35.404 mills: 19.000 mills for the Board of Commissioners; and, 16.404 mills for the Board of Education.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:02 A.M. to discuss a potential litigation matter and a personnel matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to call the meeting back into Regular Session at 10:20 A.M.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Administrator Sanders.

## **CHIEF APPRAISER**

Administrator Sanders reported that the Board of Assessors recommends that the County offer the position of Chief Appraiser to Derek Pinkerton, formerly with the Lowndes County Assessors Office. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to offer the position of Chief Appraiser to Derek Pinkerton.

## DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 2, 2021- Page 3 of 3

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, September 16, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Robinson, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:42 pm.

ER. COMMISSIONER

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

DISTRICT #4

STEPHEN C. SANDERS

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

## REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 16, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Chairman Barron led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Robinson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve the regular minutes of September 2, 2021.

## **DOOLY COUNTY NEW CHIEF TAX APPRAISER**

Kay Wilbanks, Board of Tax Assessor Chairperson introduced the new Chief Tax Appraiser-Derek Pinkerton. Mr. Pinkerton began his employment September 7, 2021, at the Dooly County Assessors office. He expressed his appreciation to the board for giving him the opportunity to serve as the Chief Tax Appraiser for Dooly County

## PROPOSAL FOR FUEL SYSTEM AT PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Board reviewed a proposal for a fuel system for the Public Works Department. This discussion was tabled until September 24, 2021 for a special call meeting.

## **DOOLY SOLID WASTE – GARBAGE FEE INCREASE**

The Board of Commissioners discussed a proposed increase of the Garbage Fees. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve new Garbage Fees as listed on Exhibit "A" attached to these Minutes.

## CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY

Citizen Telephone is requesting a letter of support for their grant application of their broadband internet expansion project. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a letter of support for the grant application of their broad band expansion project.

## DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 16, 2021- Page 2 of 3

## FY2021-2022 BUDGET

The Commissioners agreed to set the FY 2021-2022 budget. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and second by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the FY2021-2022 Budget: General Fund-\$15,079,723.39 and SPLOST Fund \$ 2,000,000.00.

## DOOLY COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSIT PROGRAM

Resource Management System Inc. is the Third-Party Operator for the Dooly County Transit Program. RMS is currently preparing the County's application for GDOT funding for FY 2022-2023. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to authorize Resource Management, Inc. to prepare the GDOT application funding for FY2022-2023.

## ACCG INSURANCE SAFETY DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Jacob Joiner, Safety Coordinator addressed the Commissioners to request the approval for the county's annual ACCG Insurance Safety Discount Program. He attended training classes and conducted inspections requirements per the Dooly Safety Action Plan. Upon the chairman's signature, Jacob will submit the approved Safety action form to the ACCG Worker's Compensation Program which allows the county to receive 7.5% insurance discount through Workers Compensation.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 1030 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

## REGULAR SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:05 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

# REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 16, 2021- Page 3 of 3

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT\*\*1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

DISTRICT #4

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

LINDA WOODSON **COUNTY CLERK** 

## DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2021 (Page 1 of 2)

A special meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Members present were: Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were: Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, and News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen,

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### **PRAYER**

Chairman Commissioner Cason lead the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Lester the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

## PROPOSAL FOR FUEL SYSTEM AT PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Commissioners revisited the proposal previously received from Harris Service & Equipment for the fuel systems at the Public Works department. The initial proposal is for \$174,427.13 and is eligible to funded from American Rescue Plan Act. Administrator Sanders was unable to obtain any other proposals. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve proposal from Harris Service & Equipment Company to purchase the system for \$174,427.13 with funds from the American Rescue Plan Act.

## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT - PREMIUM PAY

The Board of Commissioners discussed using American Rescue Plan Act funds for Premium Pay for essential workers who worked during the Pandemic. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve Premium Pay of up to \$2,000.00 for full-time employees that were actively employed during the period of February 2020 thru September 2021.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:40 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Also, Don Williford was present for the personnel matter.

## DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2021 (Page 2 of 2)

## **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:55 a.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 12:04 pm.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

TONY LEST R. COMMISSIONER DISTRICT#1

EUGÉNE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT/#3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER **DISTRICT #2** 

# REGULAR MEETING - OCTOBER 7, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Mrs. McGahee, and Darrell Bryant, Dooly Justice Center Jail Administrator.

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

## **PRAYER**

Bert Gregory, County Attorney led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the Special minutes of September 24, 2021.

## **4-H NATIONAL WEEK PROCLAMMATION**

Quad Hardy with the Dooly County 4-H Extension Service informed the Commissioner that Dooly County 4-H was celebrating National 4-H week October 3-9. He stated this week has been a fun filled week for over 500 children in Dooly County. He urged all Dooly County citizens to observe this week as 4-H National Week. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board approved and signed a proclamation declaring October 3-9, 2021 as National 4-H week in Dooly County.

## INSURANCE COVERAGE RENEWAL

The County's Auto / Heavy Equipment / Liability / Property / Cyber Security insurance coverage is scheduled to renew October 14, 2021. Proposals were received from ACCG and Akin Insurance Agency. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal from Akin Insurance Agency at a cost of \$187,327.00.

## DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - OCTOBER 7, 2021- Page 2 of 3

## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Governor Kemp has announced a Public Safety Officials and First Responders Supplement Grant using funding from the American Rescue Plan Act:

- \$1,000 pay supplement for all eligible sworn law enforcement officials and first responders
- \$300 supplement for all active volunteer firefighters serving during August 2021.

The ACCG and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget has a webinar scheduled for October 8th to explain this program and answer questions.

## ANTHEM LIFE INSURANCE

Currently, the County provides life insurance to all fulltime employees. The benefit amount is equal to the employee's annual salary, with a maximum of \$50,000.00. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve to raise the maximum amount of life insurance to \$75,0000.00.

## TITLE VI PLAN

The Georgia Department of Transportation is requesting an updated Title VI Plan that verifies that the Dooly Transit service is in compliance with all federal regulation. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to submit an updated Tittle VI plan to GDOT.

## **DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Carl Edward Lanier & Doree Marie Lanier have requested that Parcel #63-8 be re-zoned from Agricultural to C-2 Commercial. This parcel is in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of State Route 215 and Interstate 75 (Exit 109). They propose to use the property as a truck service station and storage yard for towed vehicles (General Repair Truck & Trailer Inc.). The Planning Commission will consider this request at their October 18 meeting and make a recommendation to the County Commissioners at their October 21 meeting.

## **NEW TRACK EXCAVATOR**

Proposals for a new track excavator for the Public Works Department were received and opened earlier this week. Proposals were received from: Crosby Equipment, Flint Equipment, Tidewater Equipment, and Yancey Brothers. Public Works Director Rodney Hair met with the Board and stated that he had reviewed the proposals and recommends the proposal from Tidewater Equipment. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal from Tidewater Equipment Company for the purchase of a Case CX250D Track Excavator with a purchase price of \$221,558.00.

## DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - OCTOBER 7, 2021- Page 3 of 3

## NEW WHEELED EXCAVATOR

Proposals for a new wheeled excavator for the Public Works Department were received and opened earlier this week. Proposals were received from Crosby Equipment and Yancey Brothers. Public Works Director Rodney Hair met with the Board and stated that he had reviewed the proposals and recommends the proposal from Crosby Equipment. Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal from Tidewater Equipment Company for the purchase of a Case CX250D Track Excavator with a purchase price of \$221,558.00. The proposal includes a FAE Group Forestry Mulcher Model BL3 62" inch attachment installed on the machine.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

## REGULAR SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:45 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 1,13 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #T

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

10THY BOBINSON

**DISTRICT #4** 

## REGULAR MEETING - OCTOBER 21, 2021- Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Vice-Chairman Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### PRAYER

Commissioner Cason led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to approve the Regular minutes of September 16, 2021 and October 7, 2021.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report for September 30, 2021 was distributed to each Commissioner.

#### DOOLY COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Extension Director Jeremy Register informed the Commissioners of his resignation that is effective 10/22/21. He expressed his appreciation for serving as the Dooly County Extension Director. He introduced Bill Starr from Sumter County Extension Service. Mr. Starr will serve as Interim Director until the position is filled by the University of Georgia. Upon a consensus, the Commissioners agreed to give Mr. Starr a \$500.00 monthly stipend for serving as Interim Director.

#### DOOLY COUNTY RETIRED EDUCATORS PROCLAMMATION

Dr. Bobbie King and several Dooly County Retired Educators are planning to honor and recognize all Retired Dooly County Educators (Administrators, Teachers, Bus Drivers, Clerical Workers, Custodians, etc.) who have contributed to the education of Dooly County citizens. They will proclaim November 7, 2021 as National Retired Educators Day in Dooly County. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to proclaim Sunday, November 7, 2021, as National Retired Educator's Day in Dooly County. Chairman Barron signed the proclamation.

# DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 21, 2021- Page 2 of 3

## WAYMAN MCINTEE

Wayman McIntee of 459 N Meadow Ridge Drive addressed the Commissioners and complained that a neighbor was creating a potential hazard in the neighborhood by painting automobiles in his shop. Mr. McIntee was advised to get a signed statement from at least three residents in the neighborhood.

#### **REZONING REQUEST**

Carl Edward Lanier & Doree Marie Lanier have requested that Parcel #63-8 be re-zoned from Agricultural to C-2 Commercial. The property located in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of State Route 215 and Interstate 75 Exit 109 will be used as a truck service station and storage yard for towed vehicles (General Repair Truck & Trailer Inc.). The Planning Commission has reviewed the request and recommends that the rezoning request be approved with the following conditions: (1) must comply with all regulations of the Dooly County Zoning Ordinance; (2) no vehicles shall be stored on the property more than 120 days. Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission with the above conditions.

## 2021 AD VOLREM TAXES

The 2021 County Ad Valorem Tax Digest has been reviewed by the Georgia Department of Revenue. The Department has authorized the use of the Tax Digest for the collection of 2021 Ad Valorem Taxes.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:55 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:10 a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

## **SHERIFF DEPARTMENT - SALARY ADJUSTMENTS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the salary adjustments requested by Sheriff Peavy.

### COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve a 3% Cost Of Living Adjustment (COLA) for fulltime employees. Employees of the CH, JAIL, and SHER Departments will not receive this COLA due to the salary adjustments requested by Sheriff Peavy.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 21, 2021- Page 3 of 3**

## **DOOLY COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to approve Jacob Joiner, Dooly County Recreation Director to receive a \$3,000.00 salary adjustment instead of the 3% COLA.

## **DOOLY COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted- yes (Cason, Lester, and Robinson) and no (Commissioner Mixon) to approve Brenetta Childs, Dooly County Elections Supervisor to receive a \$3,000.00 salary adjustment instead of the 3% COLA.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, November 4, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #2

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT#3

TIMOTHY RÓBINSON DISTRICT #4

DÁVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #5

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

## **REGULAR MEETING - NOVEMBER 4, 2021- Page 1 of 3**

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee and Major Darrell Bryant, Dooly County Justice Center.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Mixon led the Board in prayer.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the Regular minutes of October 21, 2021.

#### **UNADILLA EMS BUILDING**

Don Williford, EMS Director and Brandon Christmas, Maintenance Supervisor met with the Commissioners to discuss issues with the current Unadilla EMS building at 1565 Borum Street. No action was taken.

#### **DOOLY SOLID WASTE UPDATE**

Solid Waste Manager Lynn Oneal addressed the Commissioners to give an update on the services provided by Waste Management.

#### PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR 2022 L.M.I.G.

Administrator Sanders presented a list of road resurfacing projects for consideration for the 2022 LMIG Program. The Commissioners will review the list of road projects and discuss at the next scheduled meeting.

#### **COUNTY HOLIDAY**

The County will observe Veteran's Day on Thursday, November 11, 2021.

#### DOOLY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

The County Commissioners were provided an Agenda for the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Planning Commission.

# **DOOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 4, 2021- Page 2 of 3**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. to discuss personnel matters with County Attorney Bert Gregory. Rodney Hair, Public Works Director was in attendance for a portion of this session.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 10:55a.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OFFER**

A job vacancy was advertised for the position of Truck Driver/Equipment Operator in the Public Works Department. Upon the interview by Rodney Hair, Public Works Director and Linda Woodson, Human Resource Director, a recommendation was made to offer employment to Karlton Thompson. Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the offer of employment to Karlton Thompson for the position of Truck Driver/Equipment Operator at \$14.12 per hour.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 4, 2021- Page 3 of 3**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3/

TIMOTHY KOBINSON

DISTRICŤ #4

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

LINDA WOODSON COUNTY CLERK

## SPECIAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 30, 2021- Page 1 of 2

A special meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 6:00 PM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Commissioner Cason led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda.

#### **VOTING DISTRICTS**

This meeting was a joint Work Session with the Dooly County Board of Education to review the current Voting Districts now that the 2020 Census Data is available. The following School Board members were present: District 1 – Cory Jones, Vice-Chair; District 3 – Alex Peavy; District 4 – Michael Bowens; and, District 5 – Katrice Taylor, Chair. School Superintendent Craig Lockhart was also present.

The following representatives from the River Valley Regional Commission were also present: GIS Manager Mariyana Kostov and GIS Planner Laura Schneider.

A map of the current Voting Districts with the 2020 Census Data was provided to everyone. According to the 2020 Census, the total population of Dooly County was 11,208. The population at Dooly State Prison was 1,624. The group agreed that the prison population should not be counted for Voting Districts. This results in the optimal population of 1,917 for each Voting District. Ms. Kostov suggested that the group attempt to create five districts with less than a 5% deviation from the optimal population of 1,917. Ms. Kostov had her laptop with software that could make proposed adjustments to the district boundaries and produce the revised census data for the proposed new districts.

After much discussion, the group developed two proposals for consideration. Ms. Kostov agreed to provide both Boards with a copy of the proposals on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. The group agreed to have another joint Work Session at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 6:50 P.M.

**DISTRICT #1** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER **DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

TIMOTHY ROBINSON DISTRICT #4

STEPHEN C. SANDERS

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

## REGULAR MEETING - DECEMBER 2, 2021 - Page 1 of 3

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen and Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

### PRAYER

Commissioner Lester led the Board in prayer.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the Regular minutes of November 18, 2021.

## **DOOLY COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Jacob Joiner, Recreation Director gave the Commissioner an update on the Dooly County Recreation Department. He reported that the Recreation Department's 10U and 12U Football Teams won the 2021 GRPA District 3 Championships. They will participate in the playoffs to compete for a State Championship. The Recreation had an emergency meeting to discuss an incident that occurred between a Referee and a Coach at a recent football game in Vienna with Macon County. To handle future problems, the board has drafted a Zero Tolerance Code of Conduct Contract for all participants in any Recreation Programs. (Copy of attached agreement). He further reported that Martavious Brown and Tammy Redding have agreed to serve another term on the Dooly County Recreation Board.

## **2022 LMIG PROJECTS**

Administrator Sanders reported that 12/31/2021 was the deadline to submit road projects to GDOT for funding under the 2022 LMIG Program. Dooly County is eligible for \$660,899.93 funding from GDOT, which will require a 10% local match (\$66,089.99). Therefore, the County needs to submit projects with a total cost of at least \$726,989.92. The Commissioners reviewed a list of resurfacing projects recommended by Public Works Director Rodney Hair and the County Engineers. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to submit the following road projects: Gilbert Road (1.79 miles); Little Creek Road (3.71 miles); and Owens Store Road (1.98 miles). The total estimated cost of these projects is \$783,700.45.

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#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EXCAVATOR FINANCING

On 10/07/2021, the Board approved the purchase of a new Case CX250D Track Excavator from Tidewater Equipment Company with a purchase price of \$221,558.00. The machine has been delivered. Administrator Sanders recommended that this purchase be financed through Truist Bank (formerly BB&T Bank) at 2.10% for 48 months through the ACCG Lease/Purchase Program. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the financial proposal from Truist Bank.

### **DOOLY PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD**

The Planning Commission meets at 5:30 PM on Monday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, at the County Commissioners Office. Item #1: John W. Sanders, Jr. of Sanders Farm Holdings Inc. has submitted an Application for Conditional Use for the construction and operation of a grass field air strip at 2999 Coney Road (Tax Parcel #49-27). Item #2: Rod McLeod of Dooly Pecans LLC has submitted an Application for Variance from the front setback for a building that was built at 1649 Dooly High Road (Tax Parcel #86-17A).

### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

There is a vacancy on the Board of Assessors. David Harrell has been recommended to fill the vacancy on the Board of Assessors. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Harrell to the Board of Assessors for a six term that beings on January 1, 2022.

## **BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION**

On the Board of Elections and Registration, the terms for Betty Bryant, Wayne Wilkin and Eddie Woodson will expire December 31, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Betty Bryant, Wayne Wilkin, and Eddie Woodson to serve another four-year term that begins on January 1, 2022.

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

On the Board of Health, Betty Lamb's term will expire December 31, 2021. Upon motion by Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Betty Lamb to serve another six-year term that begins on January 1, 2022.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

On the Industrial Development Authority, Neil Joiner's term will expire December 31, 2021. Mr. Joiner does not wish to serve another term. Upon the motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Babe McGowan to serve a six-year term that begins on January 1, 2022.

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## MIDDLE FLINT REGIONAL E-911 AUTHORITY

On the Middle Flint Regional E-911 Authority, Kenny Calhoun's term will expire December 31, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Kenny Calhoun to serve another three-year term that begins on January 1, 2022/2022.

## PLANNING COMMISSION

On the Planning Commission, the terms of Layfield Buckholts, Tony Turner, and Eddie Woodson will expire December 31, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Layfield Buckholts, Tony Turner and Eddie Woodson to serve another three-year term that beings on January 1, 2022.

## RECREATION BOARD

On the Recreation Board, the terms of Martavious Brown and Tammy Redding will expire December 31, 2021. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Martavious Brown and Tammy Redding to serve another five-year term that begins on January 1, 2022.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:38a.m. to discuss a personnel matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 11:05a.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by Clerk Linda Woodson.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT

**DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN** 

**DISTRICT #5** 

**DISTRICT #4** 

## REGULAR MEETING - DECEMBER 16, 2021 - Page 1 of 2

The regular meeting of the Dooly County Commissioners was held this date at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office in Vienna. Member's present were Chairman David Barron, Commissioner Eugene Cason, Commissioner Tony Lester, Commissioner David Mixon and Commissioner Timothy Robinson. Also present were Administrator Stephen Sanders, Clerk Linda Woodson, County Attorney Bert Gregory, News Observer Reporter Tim Franzeen, Cordele Dispatch Reporter Neil McGahee and Major Darrel Bryant, Dooly Justice Center, Jail Administrator.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Barron called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### **PRAYER**

Clerk Linda Woodson led the Board in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barron led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Agenda.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of November 30<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting and the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Meeting.

#### SHANTANIKA FELTON

Shantanika Felton addressed the board members to inquire about the Dooly County Recreation governing by laws.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the board voted unanimously to call the meeting into Executive Session at 9:10a.m. to discuss a potential litigation matter with County Attorney Bert Gregory.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Lester, the board voted unanimously to call the Regular Meeting back into regular session at 9:55a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session as read in Executive Session by County Clerk Linda Woodson.

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#### **UPCOMING HOLIDAYS**

The County will be observing the following holidays: Friday, December – 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day Friday, December 31st - New Year's Day Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

## **SURPLUS VEHICLE**

Chief Appraiser Derek Pinkerton reports that the following vehicle can be declared surplus: 2010 Ford Crown Victoria. Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve to declare the 2010 Ford Crown Victoria as surplus. This vehicle will be placed on the www.govdeals.com website.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, January 6, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #1** 

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

**DISTRICT #4** 

EUGEXE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT #3

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

LINDA WOODSON