# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 4, 2024 – 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 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 Franzen, 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 Lester and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amended Agenda.

#### **REORGANIZATION FOR 2024:**

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The first order of business for the New Year was the election of the Chairman of the Board. Commissioner 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 2024.

#### **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

The next item of business was the election of the Vice-Chairman of the Board. Commissioner Robinson 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 2024.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the board voted unanimously to re-appoint William (Bert) H. Gregory II to serve as the County Attorney for 2024.

#### **DEPOSITORIES FOR COUNTY FUNDS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to continue with Cadence Bank, PNC Bank, and South Georgia Banking Company as the official depositories for County Funds for 2024.

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#### **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 2024.

#### **CIVIL DEFENSE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and second by Commissioner Lester, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Cason to represent the Commissioners in Civil Defense Affairs for 2024.

## DOOLY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Upon motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Commissioner Barron to represent the Commissioners on the Dooly County Board of Health for 2024.

#### **OFFICIAL COUNTY HOLIDAYS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to approve eleven (11) official paid holidays for County employees for 2024:

New Year's Day	Mon, Jan 1
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Mon, Jan 15
Good Friday	Fri, Mar 29
Memorial Day	Mon, May 27
Juneteenth	Wed. Jun 19
Independence Day	Thurs., July 4
Labor Day	Mon, Sept 2
Veterans Day	Mon, Nov 11
Thanksgiving Day	Thurs, Nov 28
Christmas Eve	Tues Dec 24
Christmas Day	Wed. Dec 25

#### DOOLY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, 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 2024.

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

#### **MINUTES**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Mixon and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from December 21,2023

# **DOOLY COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER**

Jail Administrator Darrell Bryant addressed the Commissioners about an issue at the Justice Center. He reported that one of the boilers was not working and would be replaced soon. The cost of the new boiler will be approximately \$36,000.00.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted to call the meeting into Executive Session at 10:00 AM to discuss a personnel and potential litigation matter. Attorney Bert Gregory was present to advise the Board on these matters.

#### **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 10:55 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.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday January 18, 2024, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 AM.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT #1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT#3

TIMOTHY/ROBINSON

DISTRICT #4

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

LINDA C. WOODSON **COUNTY CLERK**