# **DOOLY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 18, 2024 – 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: 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

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

#### **PRAYER**

Vice-Chairman Cason led the Board in prayer.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

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

#### **MINUTES**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Cason and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of January 4, 2024.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The County's financial report for December 2023 was distributed to each Commissioner.

### **DOOLY COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS NEW HIRES**

Public Works Director Rodney Hair introduced to the Board of Commissioners the two new employees that have filled job vacancies at the Public Works Department. Troy Bruce has been hired as a Truck Driver and John Akins as a Motor Grader Operator. Both employees began their employment on Monday, January 8, 2024.

### TRANSIT PROGRAM

Resource Management System, Inc. operates the Dooly County Transit Program. RMS requests the County approve the updated Vehicle Preventive Maintenance Policy and Procedures dated 01/09/2024. The updated policy is needed to comply with new GDOT requirements. Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and second by Commissioner Cason, the Board voted unanimously to approve the updated Vehicle Preventive Maintenance Policy and Procedures for the Dooly County Transit Program.

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### **2024 ELECTIONS QUALIFYING FEES**

In any year in which a general primary, nonpartisan election, or general election is to be held, the County Commissioners shall fix and publish a qualifying fee for each county office to be filled in the upcoming primary or election (per OCGA 12-2-131). Upon motion by Commissioner Cason and second by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Qualifying Fees for upcoming 2024 elections.

Board of Commissioners - District 5	\$ 225.00
Clerk of Superior Court	\$ 1,465.70
Coroner	\$ 36.00
Probate Judge	\$ 1,890.56
Sheriff	\$ 1,678.57
Tax Commissioner	\$ 1,465.70

### ACCG RETIREMENT PROGRAM

The next annual contribution for the ACCG Retirement Program is due 01/31/2024 in the amount of \$511,098.00. Last year's contribution was \$299,268.00. The reason for the increased cost is due to the County Commissioners approving an increase in the retirement benefits effective 01/01/2023 from 1% to 2%.

#### **BOND SERIES 2015A**

The next payment on Bonds Series 2015A is due on 03/01/2024 in the amount of \$48,060.00. This is a payment of interest only. This payment will be made from the SPLOST 2019-2024 Jail checking account. The Principal Balance is \$2,585,000.00.

#### **BOND SERIES 2015B**

The next payment on Bonds Series 2015B is due on 03/01/2024 in the amount of \$273,875.00. (Principal - \$260,000.00 / Interest - \$13,875.00). This will leave a Principal Balance of \$580,000.00

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon the motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 9:50 a.m. to discuss a potential litigation matter. Attorney Bert Gregory was present during the Executive Session.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Robinson and second by Commissioner Mixon, the Board voted unanimously to call the meeting back into Regular Session at 10:38 A.M.

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## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday February 1, 2024, at 9:00 AM at the Dooly County Commissioners' Office at 113 N. Third Street in Vienna, Georgia.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Lester and seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 AM.

TONY LESTER, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT#1

DAVID MIXON, COMMISSIONER

**DISTRICT #2** 

EUGENE CASON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #3** 

DAVID BARRON, CHAIRMAN

**DISTRICT #5** 

TIMOTHY RÓBINSON

**DISTRICT #4** 

**COUNTY CLERK**