

Fannin County Board of Commissioners

Regular Scheduled Meeting

December 10, 2024 at 5:30 pm

Jury Assembly Room

Third Floor

OPENING OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING:

Present in meeting were Chairman James V. Hensley, II, Post One Commissioner Johnny Scarce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Clerk Sherri L. Walker & County Attorney Lynn Doss.

OPENING:

The invocation was led by Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Post One Commissioner Johnny Scarce.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item #1: Approval of minutes of the November 12, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Board Discussion/Action – Variance Request from Lake Front Partners, LLC to build 20 feet from Center of Enchanting Circle. No parties were present for the variance request. Chairman Hensley made a motion to table the variance until the first meeting in January pending more information. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Board Discussion/Action – FY2025 Budget Resolution. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the FY2025 Budget. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Board Discussion/Action – MOU between Fannin County and Fannin County Development Authority. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the MOU with the Fannin County Development Authority for the disbursement of funds received from Tri State for solar panels. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Board Discussion/Action – Approval of GMP for Fannin County Library. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the GMP Pricing from Albion in the amount of \$4,406,962.00. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Board Discussion/Action – Finance Director Sherri L. Walker regarding Resolution to close bank accounts: Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Resolution to close the Donation Account. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Resolution to close the Hotel/Motel Additional Fund account. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Board Discussion/Action – Fannin County Sheriff Dane Kirby regarding purchasing of equipment. Major Bosen approached the Board regarding the purchase of two vehicles for the Sheriff's office in the amount of \$46,214.00 each along with additional cost for equipment for each vehicle in the amount of \$9,626.00 for a total amount of \$102,054.00 to be paid from Public Safety SPLOST. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase in the amount of \$102,054.00 from SPLOST. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Board Discussion/Action – Fannin County Recreation Director Eddie O'Neal regarding additions of Rec Center for the After School Program and additional courts. Mr. O'Neal approached the Board regarding the approval for the Architectural drawings of the additions to

the Rec Center for the After School Program and the additional courts. Mr. O'Neal stated this would be paid from SPLOST funds in the amount of \$179,818.00 from Praxis A#3 Company. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the amount of \$179,818.00 to be paid from SPLOST. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Board Discussion/Action –EMA Director Patrick Cooke regarding purchasing of equipment for the Fannin County Recreation facility. Mr. Cooke approached the Board regarding the purchase of a generator for the Rec Center. Mr. Cooke presented the quote from BR Electric, LLC in the amount of \$130,000 to be paid from ARPA funds. After discussions regarding the addition to the Rec Center, the Board decided the generator quoted may not include the square footage of the addition. Therefore, the Board stated if a different size of generator was needed, that portion would be ratified later to compensate for the addition and the difference in the amount would be paid from a different fund. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase in the amount of \$130,000 from ARPA funds for the generator. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Board Discussion/Action – EMA Director Patrick Cooke regarding GEMA Grant. Mr. Cooke approached the Board regarding the GEMA Grant. Mr. Cooke presented a quote from Mountain Communications for equipment in the amount of \$33,942.00. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase in the amount of \$34,555.00 total of grant amount received. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
10. Board Discussion/Action – Fire Chief Larry Thomas regarding Fire Station #6. Mr. Thomas approached the Board regarding the addition to Fire Station #6 not to exceed \$55,000.00. The addition would be for the bay for the fire truck and the other area would be occupied as voting precinct. Chairman Hensley asked for a motion first to approve the project not to exceed \$55,000.00 from the General Fund. Motion made first by Commissioner Scarce. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
11. Board Discussion/Action – Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff regarding purchasing of equipment. Mr. Ratcliff approached the Board regarding the purchase of one Freightliner (for parts) in the amount of \$1,200.00 and one 2006 Volvo vehicle in the amount of \$12,500.00 to be paid out of SPLOST. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the purchase in the total amount of \$13,700.00 from SPLOST funds. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.
12. Board Discussion/Action – Regular Scheduled Board Meeting for December 24, 2024. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to cancel the December 24th, 2024 Regular Scheduled meeting due to the Christmas holiday. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce. Motion passed unanimously.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

No Public Commentary Joseph Berg.

Public Commentary closed at 6:39 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

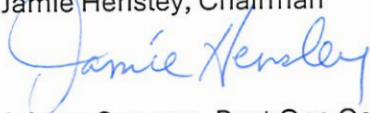
Chairman Hensley stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

CLOSING:

Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adjourn the meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Scarce.

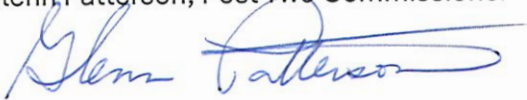
Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:41 pm

Jamie Hensley, Chairman



Johnny Scarce, Post One Commissioner

Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner



Attest:



Sherri L. Walker

Certified County Clerk



