

**Fannin County Board of Commissioners**

Regular Scheduled Meeting

May 26th, 2026 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 Searce, Post Two Commissioner Glenn Patterson, County Clerk & Finance Director Sherri Walker & County Attorney Lynn Doss.

**OPENING:** The invocation was led by Commissioner Glenn Patterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Johnny Searce.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item #1: Approval of minutes of May 12th, 2026 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the minutes of May 12th, 2026 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

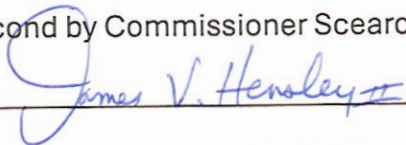
1. Board Discussion/Action: Fannin County, Georgia Annual Financial Report for the Year ended December 31, 2025 – Presentation by Justin Burruss with Rushton. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to accept the FY 2025 Annual Financial Report for Fannin County. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from James Sikes to build a garage 15 feet from the edge of Barrks Farm Road of the 25 feet granted by variance on 5/12/2026. Due to the slope, building garage at 25 feet would require extensive fill dirt and retaining walls and is cost prohibitive. Mr. James Sikes was present for variance request. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the variance request pending approval from inspection. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Board Discussion/Action: Variance Request from Austin Vest to build new home 15 feet from the edge of Minnehaha Trail. Due to rock terrain, home needs to be closer to road. Minnehaha Trail dead ends at property and there is no easement in deed for further access. No parties were present for the variance request. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the variance request. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Board Discussion/Action: Reappointment of Rob Kaser to the Fannin County Water Authority Board for another three-year term. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to reappoint Rob Kaser to the Fannin County Water Authority Board for another three-year term. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Board Discussion/Action: A Resolution Extending a Moratorium on the Acceptance of Any Applications Related to the Development of Any New Data Centers in the County Until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026; To Repeal Conflicting Resolutions; To Provide for Severability; To Provide for an Adoption Date and Effective Date; to Provide A Penalty; and For Other Purposes. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt the Resolution. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Board Discussion/Action: A Resolution Establishing A Moratorium On The Acceptance of Any Applications Related To The Development, Distribution, Storage, Of Biosolids In the County Until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026; To Repeal Conflicting Resolutions; To Provide For Severability; To Provide for An Adoption Date and Effective Date; To Provide A Penalty; And For Other Purposes. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt the Resolution. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Board Discussion/Action: A Resolution Establishing A Moratorium On The Acceptance of Any Applications Related To The Development of any Crypto Mining, Bitcoin Mining or Similar Operation In the County Until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026; To Repeal Conflicting Resolutions; To Provide For Severability; To Provide For An Adoption Date and Effective Date; To Provide A Penalty: and For Other Purposes. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to adopt the Resolution. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Board Discussion/Action: Fannin County, Georgia – Alcohol Beverage License “Special Event License” for Impact 100 Fannin Non-Profit Event. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve the Special Event License. Motion made second by Commissioner Searce. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Board Discussion/Action: Public Works Director Zack Ratcliff – Paving of county roads. Mr. Ratcliff approached the Board regarding an LMIG in the amount of \$961,351.57 with no county match. Mr. Ratcliff stated he wanted to use the grant to pave 3 ½ miles of Wolfe Creek Road. Chairman Hensley made a motion first to approve using the LMIG for the paving of Wolfe Creek Road. Motion made second by Commissioner Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.
10. **Public Commentary** - Public Commentary was made by Amy Dowdy, Donna Ackers, Gary St. Lawrence, Christie Guarnieri & Jan Eaton.

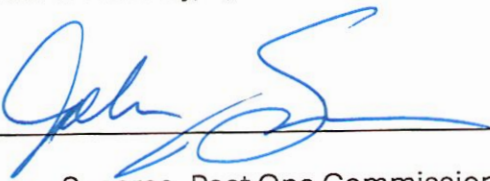
Public Commentary closed at 6:58 p.m.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 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 Searce. Motion passed unanimously. Adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

  
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James V. Hensley, II, Chairman

  
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Johnny Searce, Post One Commissioner

  
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Glenn Patterson, Post Two Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Sherri L. Walker, Certified County Clerk

