



Whitfield County, Georgia

March 4, 2024



Board of
Commissioners

January 2024 Employee of the Month

Employee Of The Month

January 2024

This certificate is awarded to

Patricia Sloan

Celebrating a month of excellence!

*In recognition of your willingness to serve the
citizens of*

WHITFIELD COUNTY



We won again!

- ✓ ACCG awarded our new **Conasauga Addiction Recovery Center** the Georgia County Excellence award. To be featured in Georgia Trend.
- ✓ Previously, Georgia City-County Association awarded our Recovery Center their Community Award with presentation later this week in Athens.
- ✓ Later tonight, we will appoint a representative to state Regional Advisory Council for state Opioid funding.



Dalton Utilities Update



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2 - Direct County Facility Projects (Fire Station 2 & Miracle Field sewer)
2 - County-funded community projects (West Side Crider & Carbondale)
Quarterly or sooner updates

April Normal Meeting Date

**April 8, 2024
6 pm EST**



AND NOW
BACK TO OUR
REGULARLY
SCHEDULED
PROGRAM
ALREADY IN
PROGRESS

Reports

Commissioners:

Commissioner Jones

Commissioner Thomas

Commissioner Staten

Commissioner Robbins

REPORT



Reports

County Administrator:
Bob Sivick

☐ 2024 National Parks Day

REPORT



Reports

Finance – Debbie Godfrey

REPORT

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Finance Report

January 2024 YTD Detail

LOST (Sales Tax)

\$1.23 Million YTD



3%

TAVT (Vehicle Tax)

\$431,000 YTD



4.1%

SPLOST Revenue

\$2.03 Million YTD

YTD Expenses

TBD

Finance Report

Supports Strategic Objective 4: Lower Taxes

➤ **DRAFT MOTION: No Motion**

Full January and February Financials at April meeting to approve.

Agenda Item #10 – Public Comments

Overview: Public Comments related **ONLY** tonight's approved Agenda items only. Second comment section will be later for general comments.



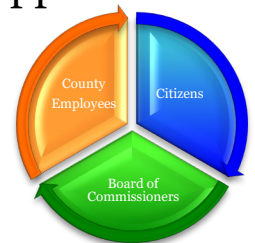
Agenda Item #10 a,b,c & d

Rezoning Recommendations

Supports Strategic Objective: Keep Lights On

➤ Overview:

- A. The request of Uriel Sollis to rezone from General Commercial (C-2) to Low Density Single Family (R-2) a tract of land totaling 0.23 acres located at 200 Quillian Road, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-103-02-081). Planning voted 3-0 to approve.
- B. The request of Glen Voyles to rezone from Rural Residential (R-5) to General Agricultural (GA) a tract of land totaling 5.0 acres located at 233 Quinn Drive, Rocky Face, Georgia. Parcel (13-034-03-000). Planning voted 3-0 to approve.
- C. The request of Bryan Spence to rezone from Low-Density Single Family Residential (R-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling 1.97 acres located at Cleo Way, Dalton, Georgia. Parcels (12-161-01-014 and 12-161-01-062). Planning voted 3-0 to approve.
- D. The request of Luis de Santiago Vasquez to rezone from Low Density Single Family Residential (R-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling .57 acres located at Cleo Way, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (12-161-01-013). Planning voted 3-0 to approve.

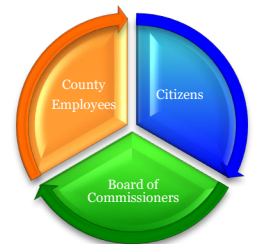


Agenda Item #11

City of Dalton De-Annexation

Supports Strategic Objective: City County Teamwork

- **Overview City of Dalton:** A de-Annexation request has been made by TCW Dalton, LLC, parcel; 12-352-10-000 into unincorporated Whitfield County of nearly 20 acres.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve City of Dalton De-annexation of parcel 12-352-10-000.

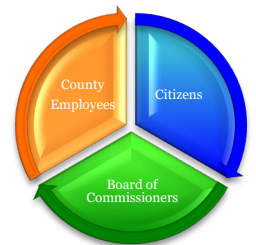


Agenda Item #12a

City of Dalton Annexation Request

Supports Strategic Objective: City-County Relations

- **Overview:** Annexation request for parcel 13-048-01-000 into Dalton City limits.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcel 13-048-01-000, approve annexation.

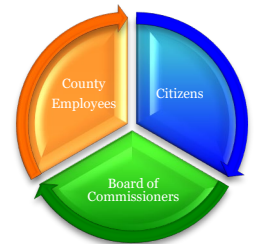


Agenda Item #12b

City of Dalton Annexation Request

Supports Strategic Objective: City-County Relations

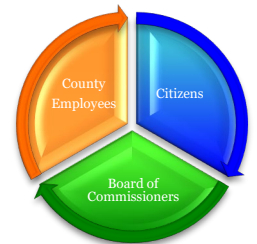
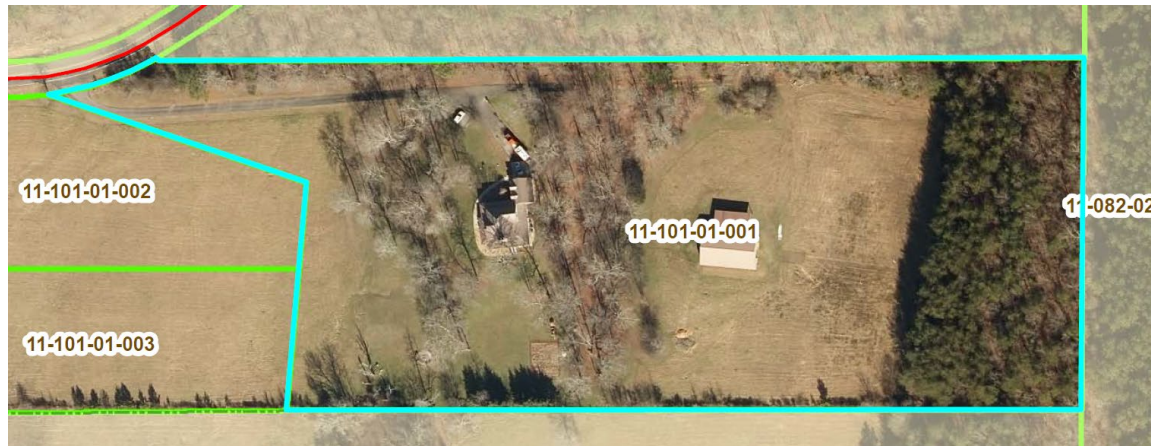
- **Overview:** Annexation request for parcel 12-216-03-000 into Dalton City limits. Land belongs to Christian Heritage school.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcel 12-261-03-000, approve annexation.



Agenda Item #13 -Town of Cohutta Annexation Request

Supports Strategic Objective: City-County Relations

- **Overview:** Annexation request for parcel 11-101-01-001 into the Town of Cohutta limits. 8.45 acres of residential at owners request.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcel 11-101-01-001, approve annexation.

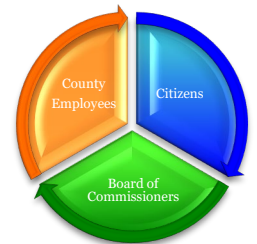


Agenda Item #14

City of Tunnel Hill Annexation

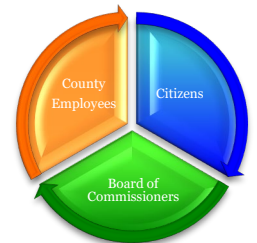
Supports Strategic Objective: Keeps Lights on

- **Overview City of Tunnel Hill:** Annexation request for parcel; 27-018-04-000, into Tunnel Hill City limits. Property owned by North Whitfield Baptist Church.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcel 27-018-04-000. Approve annexation.



Agenda Item #15-Appointment Voting Delegate for Opioid Settlement

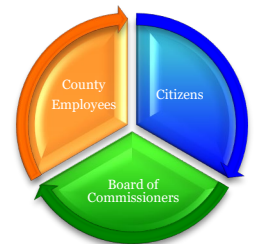
- **Supports Strategic Objective: Keeps Lights On**
- **Overview:** Whitfield County is a Participating Local Government (PLG) with the State in the National Opioid Settlement. The BOC must appoint a voting delegate to represent the County and cast the County's vote for the GOSAC members and our Region 1 RAC members. Commissioner John Thomas has been nominated as this delegate. Voting Delegate for Opioid Settlement Committees.
- **Draft Motion:** Approve Commissioner Thomas as the Voting Delegate for the Opioid Settlement Committees.



Agenda Item #16– ARPA Funding for E911 Duct Work

Supports Strategic: Reduce Taxes

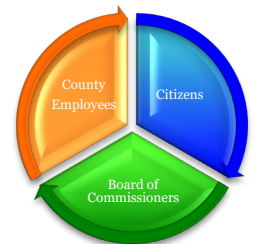
- **Overview:** Our current ARPA spending plan has set aside some restricted funding for County building air filtration projects. BOC approval to use \$20,170 of this set aside to fund new duct work at the E911 building as per the attached quote.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the ARPA expenditure as presented.



Agenda Item #17– ARPA Funding for Domestic Violence Court

Supports Strategic: Reduce Taxes

- **Overview:** The County has about \$234,000 in unallocated restricted ARPA funds. Since community violence intervention is an allowable use of restricted ARPA dollars, County Administration is requesting that \$100,000 be used to support the Domestic Violence (DV) Court whose 2024 grant state funding was cut from \$179,000 to \$79,000. In addition, our DV Court is being considered by the Georgia Commission on Family Violence as a model for similar courts around the State and ensuring it is fully funded will highlight Whitfield County's commitment to actively pursuing solutions to societal issues.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the ARPA expenditure as presented.

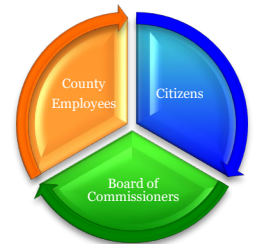


Agenda Item #18– ARPA

Funding for Sewer Cont. Station 2

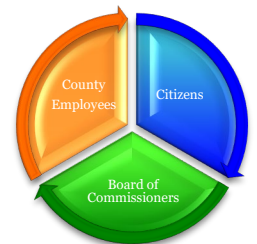
Supports Strategic: Reduce Taxes

- **Overview:** The Fire Department is seeking approval to agree with Dalton Utilities to connect existing eligible fire stations to the sewer system operated by Dalton Utilities. The Dalton Utilities approved contractor will provide material and labor to complete project at negotiated locations. Completing this project provides improved sanitary conditions for the crews occupying these facilities. Total estimate is \$24,009.51
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the ARPA expenditure as presented.



Agenda Item #19-Fire Dept. Automatic Aid Renewal

- **Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On**
- **Overview:** WCFD Would like to renew the Automatic (Mutual) Aid Agreement with Walker County Fire Department with the noted changes:
 - Section 7: Agreement Terms and Fees, has been reworded but does not lead to any service delivery charges. No fees are to be paid by either County.
 - Section 8: Out Clause has changed from 180 notice to 90-day notice.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the renewal of the Automatic Aid Agreement with Walker County Fire Department as presented.

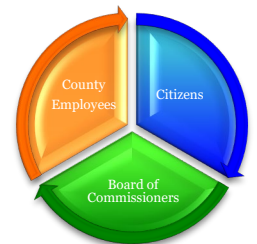


Agenda Item #20

Budget Amendment Vehicle Repair

Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** A vehicle used by Building Inspections was damaged on a jobsite by a contractor. Instead of the contractor turning this accident into his insurance company, he agreed to pay the county for the repairs. The vehicle has been repaired and will be paid for through the Inspections budget. We need to increase the budget amount of this line item to account for the expenditure. The reimbursement from the contractor will be in an offsetting revenue account, so there will not be a cost to the county. Cost of repair \$11,197.65.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the budget amendment as presented.

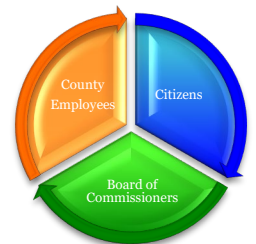


Agenda Item #21

Update Agreements for Kobayashi Healthcare Int. Inc.

Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** Stormwater & Fire Updated Agreements for Kobayashi Healthcare Int., Inc.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the updated agreement for Kobayashi Healthcare Int. Inc., as presented.

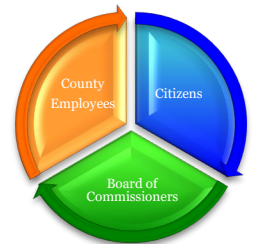


Agenda Item #22

Quit Claim Deed - JDA

Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** Quit Claim Deed – transfer to Joint Development Authority from County related to land on south end of Carbondale park incorrectly filed.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve Quit Claim deed to transfer property to JDA.



Agenda Item #23 – Public Works Annual Bid – Crushed Stone

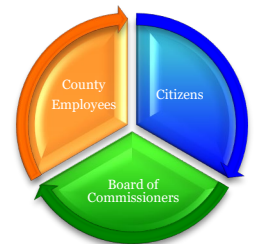
Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** Public Works requested bids for Gravel /Crushed Stone. Two bidders responded. PW recommends the award go to Vulcan Materials for 2024.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the bid from Vulcan Materials as presented.



Agenda Item #24 – Public Comments

Time for Commissioners to listen to citizens and hear your feedback.
Parliamentarian rules do not allow for direct action to be taken on comments at this time.



Agenda Item #25 – Adjourn

