



LUMPKIN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Agenda
Commissioners Boardroom

January 19, 2021
6:00 P.M.

- **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Dockery
- **INVOCATION**
- **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA**
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Specific)**
- **PRESENTATIONS**
 - 1. Certificates of Appreciation - Poll Workers
- **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**
 - 2. Board of Commissioners - Work Session - Dec 1, 2020 4:00 PM
 - 3. Board of Commissioners - Work Session II - Dec 15, 2020 5:30 PM
 - 4. Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Dec 15, 2020 6:00 PM
 - 5. Board of Commissioners - Special Called Work Session - Dec 21, 2020 9:00 AM
- **RESOLUTIONS**
 - 6. 2021 - 01 - Resolution Authorizing Approval/Disapproval of Claims for Refunds of Ad Valorem Property Taxes *(Tax Commissioner Mike Young)*
 - 7. 2021 - 02 - Authorize Tax Commissioner to Accept Checks, Debit, and Credit Cards for all Taxes, Fees, & Licenses Due *(Tax Commissioner Mike Young)*
 - 8. 2021 - 03 - Authorizing Tax Commissioner Final Determination Regarding Waiver Provisions of O.C.G.A. 48-5-242 *(Tax Commissioner Mike Young)*
 - 9. 2021 - 04 - Tax Commissioner to Collect Certain Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes in Real Estate by Use of the In Rem *(Tax Commissioner Mike Young)*
 - 10. 2021 - 05 - Appoint ACCG County Legislative Coordinator (CLC)
 - 11. 2021 - 06 - Appoint Official Liaison for Hospital Development in Lumpkin County
 - 12. 2021 - 07 - Appoint Members to Park & Rec Citizens Advisory Board - Jason Davis Seat 2 & Autumn Chatham Seat 4
 - 13. 2021 - 08 - Appoint Member to the Lumpkin County Library Board- Linda Davis to Seat 5
 - 14. 2021 - 09 - Appoint Member to Development Authority – (Henry Davis to Seat 1, with a term expiring 03/07/2022)
- **REPORTS**

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- **CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**

15. 2021-001 - Legacy Link FY-2021 Addendum #1 Contract (*Senior Center Manager Linda Kirkpatrick*)
16. 2021-002 - Mauldin & Jenkins - 2020 Audit Engagement Letter (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
17. 2021-003 - NRCS Lease Agreement (*Special Projects Director Allison Martin*)
18. 2021-004 - Agreement for Ad Valorem Tax Billing and Collection for City of Dahlonega (*Tax Commissioner Mike Young*)
19. 2021-005 - Addendum #1 to 2017 Service Delivery Strategy Agreement - Lumpkin County & City of Dahlonega (*County Manager Stan Kelley*)

- **OTHER ITEMS**

20. Election of Vice Chairman
21. Consider Move to Self-Funded Health Insurance (*Community & Employee Services Director Alicia Davis*)
22. Request for Budget Amendment - Magistrate Court (*Associate Magistrate Judge Dyann Beaty*)
23. Visitors Center Repairs (*Special Projects Director Allison Martin*)
24. Yahoola Creek Reservoir Final Master Plan (*David Young, Lose Design*)
25. Aquatic Center Water Park Design (*Special Projects Director Allison Martin*)

- **COUNTY MANAGER**

- **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

- **COMMISSIONERS**

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- **ADJOURNMENT**

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Chairman Chris Dockery

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Chris Dockery	Chairman	Present	
David Miller	District 1 Commissioner	Present	
Bobby Mayfield	District 2 Commissioner	Present	
Rhett Stringer	District 3 Commissioner	Present	
Jeffrey Moran	District 4 Commissioner	Present	

INVOCATION

Chairman Dockery gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Specific)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Certificates of Appreciation - Poll Workers

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CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Motion: A motion was made by District 4 Commissioner Moran to approve the minutes by acclamation. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

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RESOLUTIONS

6. 2021 - 01 - Resolution Authorizing Approval/Disapproval of Claims for Refunds of Ad Valorem Property Taxes (Tax Commissioner Mike Young)

Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Chief Tax Assessor and the Tax Commissioner to approve or disapprove certain specified claims for refunds of ad valorem property taxes paid due to clerical error.

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

7. 2021 - 02 - Authorize Tax Commissioner to Accept Checks, Debit, and Credit Cards for all Taxes, Fees, & Licenses Due (Tax Commissioner Mike Young)

Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Tax Commissioner to accept checks, debit and credit cards for all taxes, fees, and licenses due to the Tax Commissioner.

Motion: A motion was made by District 4 Commissioner Moran to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by District 1 Commissioner Miller. The motion was approved and carried.

8. 2021 - 03 - Authorizing Tax Commissioner Final Determination Regarding Waiver Provisions of O.C.G.A. 48-5-242 (Tax Commissioner Mike Young)

Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Tax Commissioner to waive certain taxes as provided by O.C.G.A. 48-5-242.

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

9. 2021 - 04 - Tax Commissioner to Collect Certain Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes in Real Estate by Use of the In Rem (Tax Commissioner Mike Young)

Consideration of a resolution to provide an option for the Tax Commissioner to collect certain delinquent ad valorem taxes on real estate by use of the in rem tax foreclosure in Superior Court.

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

10. 2021 - 05 - Appoint ACCG County Legislative Coordinator (CLC)

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Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Melissa Witcher. The motion was seconded by District 3 Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved and carried.

11. 2021 - 06 - Appoint Official Liaison for Hospital Development in Lumpkin County

This is to designate a liaison for future hospital development in Lumpkin County.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Commissioner Miller. The motion was seconded by District 3 Commissioner Stringer. Commissioner Miller recused himself from the vote. The motion was approved and carried.

12. 2021 - 07 - Appoint Members to Park & Rec Citizens Advisory Board - Jason Davis Seat 2 & Autumn Chatham Seat 4

Appoint Members to Park & Rec Citizens Advisory Board - Jason Davis to Seat 2 and Autumn Chatham to Seat 4 both with terms expiring 12/31/2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Jason Davis to Seat 2 with a term expiring 12/31/2022. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Autumn Chatham to Seat 4 with a term expiring 12/31/2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved and carried.

13. 2021 - 08 - Appoint Member to the Lumpkin County Library Board- Linda Davis to Seat 5

This is to appoint Linda Davis to Seat 5, of an unexpired term ending 06.30.2021.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Linda Davis to Seat 5 with an unexpired term ending 6/30/2021. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

14. 2021 - 09 - Appoint Member to Development Authority – (Henry Davis to Seat 1, with a term expiring 03/07/2022)

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Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Henry Davis to Seat 1 with a term expiring 3/7/2022. The motion was seconded by District 1 Commissioner Miller. The motion was approved and carried.

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CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

15. 2021-001 - Legacy Link FY-2021 Addendum #1 Contract (Senior Center Manager Linda Kirkpatrick)

CONTRACT ADDENDUM #1 - SFY2021 This amends the contract that Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners entered into with Legacy Link, Inc. (Contract #2020-039 A-S approved on September 29, 2020) for the Lumpkin County Senior Center to provide nutrition and wellness services, nutrition screening and support services, and Transportation for senior adults in Lumpkin County.

Motion: A motion was made by District 4 Commissioner Moran to approve Legacy Link FY-2021 Addendum #1 Contract. The motion was seconded by District 3 Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved and carried.

16. 2021-002 - Mauldin & Jenkins - 2020 Audit Engagement Letter (Finance Director Abby Branan)

2020 Audit engagement letter that identifies the applicable financial reporting framework, single audit standards, and the expected form & content of auditor's report.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to approve Mauldin & Jenkins - 2020 Audit Engagement Letter. The motion was seconded by District 1 Commissioner Miller. The motion was approved and carried.

17. 2021-003 - NRCS Lease Agreement (Special Projects Director Allison Martin)

NRCS Lease Agreement

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve NRCS Lease Agreement. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

18. 2021-004 - Agreement for Ad Valorem Tax Billing and Collection for City of Dahlonega (Tax Commissioner Mike Young)

The new tax commissioner is asking the board to consider a contract for the billing and collection of the City's tax digest/ad valorem taxes. This agreement has historically been part of service delivery between the city and the county. It sets forth the amounts that the city will pay for the digest levy, billing, and collection on their behalf. The agreement also contains a provision for the Tax Commissioner to receive \$2.50 per incorporated parcel in accordance with state law for performing this duty which is above and beyond the requirement for this elected position. These funds, approximately \$5,000, go to the Tax Commissioner personally. This agreement must also be approved by the City of Dahlonega and the Tax Commissioner and is in accordance with O.C.G.A. 48-5-359.1(a)(1)(A). This agreement runs the term of the Tax Commissioner.

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve Agreement for Ad Valorem Tax Billing and Collection for City of Dahlonega. The motion was seconded by District 1 Commissioner Miller. The motion was approved and carried.

19. 2021-005 - Addendum #1 to 2017 Service Delivery Strategy Agreement - Lumpkin County & City of Dahlonega (County Manager Stan Kelley)

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Motion: A motion was made by District 1 Commissioner Miller to approve Addendum #1 to 2017 Service Delivery Strategy Agreement - Lumpkin County & City of Dahlonega. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

OTHER ITEMS

20. Election of Vice Chairman

Election of Vice Chairman

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to appoint Commissioner Stringer as the Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

21. Consider Move to Self-Funded Health Insurance (Community & Employee Services Director Alicia Davis)

Consider Move to Self Funded Health Insurance

Motion: A motion was made by District 1 Commissioner Miller to approve option A, which is to direct Turner, Wood, & Smith to move forward with a medical RFP for a self-funded plan. The motion was seconded by District 3 Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved and carried.

22. Request for Budget Amendment - Magistrate Court (Associate Magistrate Judge Dyann Beaty)

Request for Budget Amendment - Magistrate Court

Motion: A motion was made by District 4 Commissioner Moran to approve course of action A, which is to approve the amount of \$18,933.56. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

23. Visitors Center Repairs (Special Projects Director Allison Martin)

Visitors Center Repairs

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve Visitors Center Repairs. The motion was seconded by District 1 Commissioner Miller. The motion was approved and carried.

24. Yahoola Creek Reservoir Final Master Plan (David Young, Lose Design)

This is for consideration of the Yahoola Creek Reservoir Master Plan.

Motion: A motion was made by District 1 Commissioner Miller to approve Yahoola Creek Reservoir Final Master Plan. The motion was seconded by District 2 Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

25. Aquatic Center Water Park Design (Special Projects Director Allison Martin)

Aquatic Center Water Park Design

Motion: A motion was made by District 3 Commissioner Stringer to approve Aquatic Center Water Park Design. The motion was seconded by District 4 Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved and carried.

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Commissioner Miller said the State rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine has been challenging. He recently spoke with Will Wade, Mayor Sam Norton, Superintendent Rob Brown, and the statewide COVID-19 response coordinator. The main issue appears to be a lack of communication between the State, DPH District 2, and local governments, as well as supply chain challenges. There have been numerous citizen complaints about the process to register for a vaccine. Commissioner Miller said the entire state has vaccinated over 500,000 people so far. The State plans on forming a centralized call center that can serve all 159 counties. The Department of Public Health has declared they have no control over other entities such as NGHS, Emory, Northside, private practices, or pharmacies who administer vaccines. There are concerns that once other providers have vaccines, people will make multiple appointments to get vaccinated and then will cancel some of them, which will lead to doses getting wasted. Commissioner Miller said some citizens have expressed a desire to volunteer, but there is even a lengthy process for our EMS to be able to volunteer and help administer vaccines. Additionally, there is no guarantee that volunteers will be assigned to their home counties. Commissioner Miller asked everyone to be patient and see how things progress over the next few weeks.

Commissioner Stringer gave a brief update from the Water & Sewerage Authority's expansion project. The Castleberry section is complete and they are working backwards from Longbranch school. Some phone lines had to be moved, but they are moving quickly. This project will tie the Copper Pines system into the 400 system. Commissioner Stringer said the LCWSA is also working on the Lumpkin County Parkway property for future expansion around the LGMG scissorlift company.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

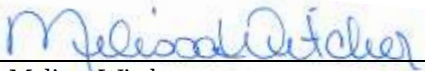
ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

February 16, 2021

Date



Melissa Witcher
County Clerk, Lumpkin County



Chris Dockery, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners