



LUMPKIN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Work Session Agenda
Commissioners Boardroom
Lumpkin County Administration Building, 99 Courthouse
Hill, Dahlonega, GA 30533

December 6, 2022
4:00 P.M.

The purpose of the work session is to discuss agenda items for the Regular Meeting.

- **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Dockery
- **PRESENTATIONS**
 1. Chamber of Commerce Presentation (*Chamber Director Robb Nichols*)
 2. Tourism Presentation (*Tourism Director Sam McDuffie*)
- **PROCLAMATIONS**
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- **COUNTY ATTORNEY**
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by District 3 Commissioner Rhett Stringer

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

PRESENTATIONS

1. Chamber of Commerce Presentation (Chamber Director Robb Nichols)

Chamber of Commerce Presentation

Chamber Director Robb Nichols explained that the Six Gap annual bicycle race is now organized as a 501(c)(3), and it is the primary fundraiser for the Chamber of Commerce. He also shared how many different organizations and businesses have made good use of the Chamber multipurpose room at the Kelley Building.

2. Tourism Presentation (Tourism Director Sam McDuffie)

Tourism Presentation

Tourism Director Sam McDuffie presented the 2021 numbers regarding tourism in Lumpkin County. There was a 44% increase in tourist dollars spent, amounting to \$88.9 million in total visitor spending. Without these tourist dollars, every household in the county would have to pay \$577 more per year on their taxes. Mr. McDuffie also highlighted some of the tourism campaigns for 2022, which included print advertising, commercials, and a billboard in Augusta. Dahlonega and Lumpkin County will also be featured in two 2023 TV shows on GPB and PBS.

Mr. McDuffie also discussed the tourism website and said user engagement has increased, with the average visitor spending almost three minutes on the site. Commissioner Mayfield remarked positively on the increased visitor engagement to the website.

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A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RESULTS OF AN ELECTION TO IMPOSE A LUMPKIN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SALES TAX DEBT; AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

9. 2022 - 62 - Resolution to Abandon Fred Burns Road

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10. 2022 - 63 - Resolution to Accept the Roads in Whelchel Valley Subdivision

Resolution to Accept the Roads in Whelchel Valley Subdivision (1.949 miles total). The HOA in Whelchel Valley is asking the BOC to accept the subdivision roads into the County Maintenance system.

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Commissioner Greene said he spoke with Autumn Chatham and she is willing to serve another term.

13. Reappoint Members to Board of Elections

Reappoint Members to Board of Elections - Ben English to Seat 1, John Webb to Seat 4, & Robin McIntosh to Seat 5 with terms expiring 12/31/2026.

14. 2022 - 67 - Reappoint Members to Joint Development Authority of Dawson, Lumpkin, & White Counties

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15. 2022 - 68 - Appoint Member to Development Authority - A.C. Moore II to Seat 2, unexpired term ending 3/7/2024

Resolution to Appoint Member to Development Authority - A.C. Moore II to Seat 2, of an unexpired term ending 3/7/2024.

Commissioner Stringer said Chairman Dockery has not yet provided a recommendation for this seat.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

16. 2022-072 - CJCC VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) - MOA (Finance Director Abby Branan)

CJCC VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) - MOA. The Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia (PAC) has submitted VOCA grant application renewals for base funds for the 2023 Federal Fiscal year.

Finance Director Abby Branan said they have been waiting on these CJCC contracts for three months.

17. 2022-073 - CJCC VOCA – Financial Administration – District Attorney (Finance Director Abby Branan)

CJCC VOCA – Financial Administration – District Attorney. District Attorney Langley is requesting Lumpkin County maintain its existing roll as the financial administrator for its VOCA grant awards for the upcoming grant cycle.

18. 2022-087 - Halls Mill Enterprises LLC d/b/a Chestatee River Adventures – Canoe Launch Sublease Renewal (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Hall's Mill Enterprises LLC DBA Chestatee River Adventures – Canoe Launch Sublease Renewal. Recommendation on renewing contract with Chestatee River Adventures for use of the Chestatee River Access Park.

Commissioner Stringer recused himself from any discussion on this item.

19. 2022-088 - Canoe Georgia, Inc. d/b/a Appalachian Outfitters c/o Ben LaChance – Canoe Launch Sublease Renewal (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Canoe Georgia, Inc. d/b/a Appalachian Outfitters c/o Ben LaChance – Canoe Launch Sublease Renewal. Recommendation on renewing contract with Canoe Georgia for use of the Chestatee River Access Park.

Commissioner Stringer recused himself from any discussion on this item.

20. 2022-089 - Classic Cleaners – 2023 Lease (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Classic Cleaners – 2023 Lease Annual renewal of lease at 235 E. Main Street.

21. 2022-090 - TK Elevator Corporation Contract Addendum (Finance Director Abby Branan)

TK Elevator Corporation Contract Addendum. Consideration of the TK Elevator Corporation contract addendum for the Planning & Development Services building elevator.

22. 2022-091 - Tourism Development Services – Chamber of Commerce (Finance Director Abby Branan)

Tourism Development Services – Chamber of Commerce

Commissioner Mayfield explained that the law allows the County to take 1% of the hotel/motel taxes, and the remaining 4% will go to tourism. He asked Mr. McDuffie if this would harm tourism efforts in any way. Mr. McDuffie said even with the 1% taken out, they will still be higher in revenue than the previous year.

23. 2022-092 - Justice Center Cameras & Door Locks (Special Projects Director Ashley Peck)

Justice Center Cameras & Door Locks. Approval of proposal from MCA to Install Security Cameras and Access Control at the Justice Center.

Commissioner Mayfield said this has been long overdue, and it will be beneficial to have the door locks and cameras on the same system. Mr. Ours, the County Manager, also explained why there are more cameras in this proposal than what the Justice Center had originally. He said providing additional cameras is the right thing to do from a security standpoint. Commissioner Mayfield was in agreement.

24. 2022-093 - Colditz Trucking Contract Amendment Project 2022-003 (Finance Director Abby Branan)

Colditz Trucking Contract Amendment Project 2022-003. Consideration of amending the Colditz Trucking contract for Project 2022-003.

25. 2022-094 - Inmate Food Services Contract – Agape Food Service (Finance Director Abby Branan)

Agape Inmate Food Contract. Consideration of a contract with Agape Food Service to continue to provide meals to inmates at the Detention Center

Major Doug Cochran said they have been satisfied with Agape Food Service.

OTHER ITEMS

26. Alcoholic Beverage License – Dahlonga Kwik Mart, LLC. d/b/a Kwik Mart (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Alcoholic Beverage License – Dahlonga Kwik Mart, LLC. d/b/a Kwik Mart. This is for the issuance of an alcoholic beverage license for Beer/Wine Package sales located at 1367 Dawsonville Hwy, Dahlonga, GA 30533.

27. Mount Olive Church Road Culvert Replacement Request (Special Projects Manager Charles Trammell)

Mount Olive Church Road Culvert Replacement Request. Request to go forward with necessary steps to put this project out for bid. It will consist of some surveying and design work for plans to add to the bid package. The estimated cost of construction is \$380,000.00 which includes cost for the surveying and design. I am submitting a request to DOT for assistance on this but do not know at this time how much that will be.

Special Projects Manager Charles Trammell said he just learned today that GDOT will be providing us \$200,000 to go towards this project. Commissioner Mayfield said he would rather go ahead and fix this now before it gets any worse.

Commissioner Greene asked how long the bridge would be shut down for, and whether it would negatively impact citizens in the area. Mr. Ours said there are two ways in and out of that area, but Commissioner Stringer might be able to provide more insight since it is in his district. Commissioner Stringer said it will only add a couple of minutes to the average commute. Mr. Ours said when the time comes, it might be a good idea to hold a small townhall meeting in the area so the public will be informed about the bridge repair.

The BOC was in consensus to proceed with the repair.

28. Capt. Jessie McDonald House - Proposal to Relocate the McDonald House from Yahoola Creek Park (Michael Christopher Dean)

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Michael Dean, 2nd Brigade Commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, was present to discuss their plans for the building. The organization has a couple of acres off Highway 19, and they would like to preserve it because it was built by a confederate soldier.

Commissioner Stringer asked if the public would be able to see it. Mr. Dean said they won't leave it open unmonitored, but anyone is free to contact the group for an appointment to have a tour. They would like to use the house to show how the average man lived during that time period.

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COUNTY MANAGER

The County Manager gave an update on the new Recreation Center, which includes the new 8-lane pool. The Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) was approved at the last BOC Special Called Meeting, and we will issue

the notice to proceed next week. Carroll Daniel Construction is scheduled to begin the site work next week if the weather permits. Mr. Ours said he will try to update the Commissioners prior to each work session. The estimated completion date is March 2024.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Greene thanked James Daniel and his company App Studios for their work on the Boardroom sound system, and he congratulated Ashley Peck and the Elections staff for their excellent work during the last two elections. Commissioner Greene also shared some praise from a citizen for Wayne Marshall and his staff after they assisted with an animal incident last week. Commissioner Greene said the citizen was very pleased with Mr. Marshall.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Specific)

Mr. McDuffie requested that we could renegotiate the tourism services contract once the Tourism-Chamber split paperwork is made available. He would like to be able to meet again with the BOC and Mr. Ours to negotiate. He also shared that on December 14th, the Northeast Georgia Travel Association will be meeting at Canopy and Roots from 3 pm to 5 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Stringer adjourned the meeting at 4:31 PM.

January 18, 2023

Date



Melissa Witcher

County Clerk, Lumpkin County



Chris Dockery, Chairman

Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners