



LUMPKIN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Agenda
99 Courthouse Hill
Dahlonega, GA 30533

March 18, 2025
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm. Present were Chairman Chris Dockery and Commissioners Tucker Greene, Bobby Mayfield, Rhett Stringer, and Jeff Moran.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*

PRESENTATIONS

1. Community Award from the Georgia City County Management Association (GCCMA) for the Pinetree Recreation Center Project

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Specific)

Carolyn Jarrard thanked the BOC for helping kids get access to mountain biking at Blackburn Park. She said she is the coach for the Trail Rangers, which is a new statewide program composed of children in 3rd to 5th grade. Dave Webber, head coach of the mountain biking team at Lumpkin County High School, also thanked the Commissioners for considering the Blackburn Park agreement. The team has existed for six years, and last year they won the state championship. The team normally uses Jake and Bull Mountain to practice, but the trail at Blackburn Park will be great for beginners, said Mr. Webber.

MINUTES

***Motion:** Commissioner Moran moved to approve the minutes by acclamation and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*

2. Board of Commissioners - Work Session - February 4, 2025 4:00 PM

3. Board of Commissioners - Public Hearing - February 18, 2025 4:30 PM
4. Board of Commissioners - Work Session II - February 18, 2025 5:30 PM
5. Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting - February 18, 2025 6:00 PM

RESOLUTIONS

6. 2025-13 Appoint Member to Veterans Affairs Committee - *Stanley Kelley to Seat 1 with a term expiring 04/14/2029.*
Motion: *Chairman Dockery moved to appoint Stan Kelley to Seat 1 with a term expiring 4/14/2029. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield, and it was approved unanimously.*
7. 2025-14 Revising Certain Sections of Chapter 26 (Land Development) of the Code of Ordinances of Lumpkin County, Georgia (*Assistant County Manager Rebecca Mincey*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*
8. 2025-15 Revising Certain Sections of Chapter 27 (Land Use) of the Code of Ordinances of Lumpkin County, Georgia (*Assistant County Manager Rebecca Mincey*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to discuss the item and Commissioner Mayfield seconded his motion.*

Commissioner Greene moved to make the following changes regarding data centers: 300-foot activity buffer on sides and rear, adjoining building setback 500 feet, right-of-way setback 100 feet, and full screening sides and rear - 500 feet. Commissioner Mayfield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
9. 2025-16 Replace the Senior Center's Facility Rental Policy with the Facility Reservation Policy (*Senior Center Manager, Marc Bottoms*)
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
10. 2025-17 Resolution Consenting to the Deannexation of CHP Parcels (*County Attorney Joy*

Edelberg)

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the de-annexation request and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.

11. 2025-18 Appoint Member to the Board of Assessors (*Jill Holman to Seat 3, with a term expiring 06/30/2025*)

Motion: Chairman Dockery moved to appoint Jill Holman to Seat 3 with a term expiring 6/30/2025. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield, which was approved unanimously.

REPORTS

ELECTED OFFICIALS

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

12. 2025-020 Contract Renewal for ESRI for ArcGIS Products (*GIS Administrator Martin Durand*)

Motion: Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.

13. 2025-021 Bluebeam Studio Subscription Service Renewal Agreement (*GIS Administrator Martin Durand*)

Motion: Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.

14. 2025-022 Investment Grade Audit Agreement - Schneider Electric Buildings Americas, Inc. (*County Manager Alan Ours*)

Motion: Commissioner Greene moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.

15. 2025-023 Disaster Debris Removal and Disposal Contract - Southern Disaster Recovery (*Roads Superintendent David Robinson*)

Motion: Commissioner Moran moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved unanimously.

16. 2025-024 Disaster Debris Removal & Disposal Contract - Ceres Environmental (*Roads Superintendent David Robinson*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
17. 2025-025 Disaster Debris Monitoring Contract - Thompson Consulting Services (*Roads Superintendent David Robinson*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
18. 2025-026 Disaster Debris Monitoring Contract - DebrisTech (*Roads Superintendent David Robinson*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
19. 2025-027 Georgia Emergency Communications Authority (GECA) Nondisclosure Agreement (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
20. 2025-028 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) Grant Agreement (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved unanimously.*
21. 2025-029 CSC Design Agreement for Design Services on the Transfer Station Construction (*Director of Operations Ashley Peck*)
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
22. 2025-030 Agreement Between Lumpkin County & Georgia Cycling Association for the use of Blackburn Park for Mountain Bike Training and Practice (*Assistant County Manager Rebecca Mincey*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*

23. 2025-031 Curve Realignment on Town Creek Church Road & Widening at SR 400 and SR 60 Intersection (*Special Projects Manager Charles Trammell*)
Motion: *Commissioner Moran moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
24. 2025-032 Auraria Road/SR 9 & Burnt Stand Roundabout Construction Observation (*Special Projects Manager Charles Trammell*)
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Stringer. The motion was approved unanimously.*

OTHER ITEMS

25. Alcoholic Beverage License (Farm Winery Tasting Room) to Kevin Buckley for Buckley Vineyards (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the license and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
26. Caterer's Special Event Permit Request - All Nashville Roadshow at R-Ranch (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the special event permit and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
27. Use of Remaining FF&E Funds for Pinetree Recreation Center (*Pinetree Recreation Center Manager Jared Ray*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to authorize staff to spend up to \$40,000 on a shade structure and to reprioritize the remainder. Commissioner Moran seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.*
28. Approval of Field 5 Concession Stand/Restroom Construction Project (*Director of Operations Ashley Peck*)
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve course of action A, which is to approve staff moving forward with an RFP for design-build delivery. Commissioner Greene seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.*
29. 2020 SPLOST 2025 Work Plan Amendment (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
Motion: *Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the work plan amendment and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*

30. New Recycling Area Construction Documents/Plan Located at Transfer Station (Director of Operations Ashley Peck)

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the plan and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*

COUNTY MANAGER

Mr. Ours reminded everyone that this Friday at 11 am, the new ladder truck push-in ceremony will be held at Fire Station 4.

ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER & DEPARTMENT HEADS

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Greene said he is thankful for the passionate citizens who attend meetings and provide ideas to the Board. Chairman Dockery reminded everyone that this Thursday at 11:30 am will be the annual State of the City & State of the County hosted by the Chamber of Commerce. He said this year will have an emphasis on how Lumpkin County has changed over time since the very beginning.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Date

Chris Dockery, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Melissa Witcher
Clerk, Lumpkin County