



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

November 21, 2023
6:00 PM

- **CALL TO ORDER**
- **INVOCATION**
- **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA**
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Specific)**
- **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**
 1. Board of Commissioners - Work Session - October 5, 2023 4:00 PM
 2. Board of Commissioners - Appeal Hearing - October 5, 2023 4:15 PM
 3. Board of Commissioners - Work Session II - October 17, 2023 5:30 PM
 4. Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting - October 17, 2023 6:00 PM
- **RESOLUTIONS**
 5. 2023-48 Consideration of 2024 BOC Meeting Calendar (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
 6. 2023-49 Establish 2024 Lumpkin County Government Holiday Schedule (*Community & Employee Services Director Alicia Davis*)
 7. 2023-50 Consideration of the Lumpkin County 2024 Budget Calendar for FY 2025 Budget (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
 8. 2023-51 An Ordinance of Lumpkin County, Georgia and Concurrent Resolution of the Lumpkin County Water and Sewerage Authority Setting Forth Prohibitions and Use Limitations Regarding Lumpkin County's Wastewater Treatment Facilities (*County Manager Alan Ours*)
 9. 2023-52 Appoint Members to Lumpkin County Building Committee - *Park & Rec Manager to Seat 7, Charles Trammell to Seat 8, and Leah Smith to Seat 9 all with terms expiring 12/31/2024*
 10. 2023-53 Appoint Members to the Audit Committee - *Chairman Dockery to Seat 1, Rhett Stringer to Seat 2, Michael Chastain to Seat 3, Melissa Witcher to Seat 4, and Charles Jones to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2024*
 11. 2023-54 Appoint Member to Lumpkin County Board of Health - *Donna Whitfield with a term expiring 12/31/2029*
 12. 2023-55 Appoint Members to Lumpkin County Park & Rec Citizens Advisory Board - *Michael Shawn Boyd to Seat 1, Leah Smith to Seat 3, and Hank Haynes to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2025*
 13. 2023-56 Appoint Member to the Library Board - *Diane Bates to Seat 3 of an unexpired term ending 06/30/2024*

14. 2023-57 Amend Chapter 42 of the Lumpkin County Code of Ordinances Entitled Improper Use of Public Places (*County Manager Alan Ours*)
15. 2023-58 November Surplus Property (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)

- **REPORTS**

County Department reports can be viewed on www.lumpkincounty.gov

- **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

- **CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**

16. 2023-104 Stryker ProCare Maintenance Agreement (*EMS Director David Wimpy*)
17. 2023-105 Loan of Tractor for Display in the Administration Building Lobby (*Special Projects Director Ashley Peck*)
18. 2023-106 Georgia Forestry Commission FY-2023 Georgia Forestry Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant Program (*Fire Chief David Wimpy*)
19. 2023-107 Cellebrite Software (*Sheriff Stacy Jarrard*)
20. 2023-108 Renewal of Recycling IGA with Hall County (*Special Projects Director Ashley Peck*)
21. 2023-109 Adapt to Solve Contract for the Installation of Low Voltage, Security Cameras, and Intercom System for the Pinetree Recreation Center **Ratify** (*Special Projects Director Ashley Peck*)

- **OTHER ITEMS**

22. 2019 TSPLOST 2023 Work Plan Amendment (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
23. Decision on Boles Appeal for Planning Commission Denial

- **COUNTY MANAGER**

- **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

- **COMMISSIONERS**

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- **ADJOURNMENT**

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Chairman Chris Dockery and Commissioners Tucker Greene, Bobby Mayfield, and Rhett Stringer. Commissioner Moran attended via telephone.

INVOCATION

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Chairman Dockery moved to approve the agenda with the wording changed on item #23 to Decision on Boles Appeal for Planning Commission Denial. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene, which was approved and carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Specific)

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***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the minutes by acclamation and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved and carried.*

RESOLUTIONS

5. 2023-48 Consideration of 2024 BOC Meeting Calendar (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the resolution, and it was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*

6. 2023-49 Establish 2024 Lumpkin County Government Holiday Schedule (Community & Employee Services Director Alicia Davis)

Request to Establish 2024 Lumpkin County Government Holiday Schedule

***Motion:** Commissioner Greene made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*

7. 2023-50 Consideration of the Lumpkin County 2024 Budget Calendar for FY 2025 Budget (Finance Director Abby Branan)
Consideration of the Lumpkin County 2024 Budget Calendar for FY2025 Budget

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

8. 2023-51 An Ordinance of Lumpkin County, Georgia and Concurrent Resolution of the Lumpkin County Water and Sewerage Authority Setting Forth Prohibitions and Use Limitations Regarding Lumpkin County's Wastewater Treatment Facilities (County Manager Alan Ours)

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

9. 2023-52 Appoint Members to Lumpkin County Building Committee - Park & Rec Manager to Seat 7, Charles Trammell to Seat 8, and Leah Smith to Seat 9 all with terms expiring 12/31/2024

Motion: Chairman Dockery made a motion to appoint Tim Towe to Seat 7, Charles Trammell to Seat 8, and Leah Smith to Seat 9, all with terms expiring 12/31/2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stringer, and it was approved unanimously.

10. 2023-53 Appoint Members to the Audit Committee - Chairman Dockery to Seat 1, Rhett Stringer to Seat 2, Michael Chastain to Seat 3, Melissa Witcher to Seat 4, and Charles Jones to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2024

Motion: Chairman Dockery made a motion to nominate the following members to the Audit Committee: Chairman Dockery to Seat 1, Commissioner Stringer to Seat 2, Michael Chastain to Seat 3, Melissa Witcher to Seat 4, and Charles Jones to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Greene, and it was approved unanimously.

11. 2023-54 Appoint Member to Lumpkin County Board of Health - Donna Whitfield with a term expiring 12/31/2029

Motion: Chairman Dockery moved to appoint Dr. Donna Whitfield with a term expiring 12/31/2024. Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion, which was approved and carried.

12. 2023-55 Appoint Members to Lumpkin County Park & Rec Citizens Advisory Board - Michael Shawn Boyd to Seat 1, Leah Smith to Seat 3, and Hank Haynes to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2025

Motion: Chairman Dockery moved to appoint Michael Shawn Boyd to Seat 1, Leah Smith to Seat 3, and Hank Haynes to Seat 5, all with terms expiring 12/31/2025. Commissioner Greene seconded the motion, which was approved and carried.

13. 2023-56 Appoint Member to the Library Board - Diane Bates to Seat 3 of an unexpired term ending 06/30/2024

Motion: Chairman Dockery moved to appoint Diane Bates to Seat 3 with an unexpired term ending 6/30/2024. Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion, which was approved and carried.

14. 2023-57 Amend Chapter 42 of the Lumpkin County Code of Ordinances Entitled Improper Use of Public Places (County Manager Alan Ours)

Motion: Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the resolution, and he was seconded by Tucker Greene. The motion was approved and carried.

15. 2023-58 November Surplus Property (Finance Director Abby Branan)
Consideration of list of County inventory items to be declared surplus.

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

REPORTS

County Department reports can be viewed on www.lumpkincounty.gov

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Jarrard said the Sheriff's Office will be accepting new and used bikes until December 2. They will be holding a breakfast with Santa at R-Ranch on December 2, if a child would like to come and attend.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

16. 2023-104 Stryker ProCare Maintenance Agreement (EMS Director David Wimpy)

This is an annual agreement to provide maintenance for the Cardiac Heart monitors and Lucas CPR devices that the Emergency Services Department owns.

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

17. 2023-105 Loan of Tractor for Display in the Administration Building Lobby (Special Projects Director Ashley Peck)
Consideration of the loan of a 1949 Ford 8N Tractor for Display in the Administration Building Lobby

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

18. 2023-106 Georgia Forestry Commission FY-2023 Georgia Forestry Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant Program (Fire Chief David Wimpy)

The Georgia Forestry Commission NFP/VPA grant, which allows purchases from the options listed below. The grant is a 50/50 match with a maximum of \$5000.00 VFA funding.

Options

- 1.) Skid units for quick response vehicles and GFC built water tenders
- 2.) Wildland PPE
- 3.) Firefighter safety equipment
- 4.) Class A and/or B foam systems and foam
- 5.) All other ISO equipment

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the grant program was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.

19. 2023-107 Cellebrite Software (Sheriff Stacy Jarrard)

Software used to analyze and process data to pinpoint key evidence in seized mobile devices.

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

20. 2023-108 Renewal of Recycling IGA with Hall County (Special Projects Director Ashley Peck)

Renewal of the IGA with Hall County for Recycling

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved and carried.

Commissioner Mayfield asked if we are making any money from it. Ms. Peck responded she is not sure; this is just a renewal of the agreement in case we need to use them in the future. Chairman Dockery clarified that Mark Robinson can take the recyclables wherever he wants and this is in case he needed to take it there.

21. 2023-109 Adapt to Solve Contract for the Installation of Low Voltage, Security Cameras, and Intercom System for the Pinetree Recreation Center Ratify (Special Projects Director Ashley Peck)

Approval of quote from Adapt to Solve for the Installation of Low Voltage, Security Cameras, and Intercom System for the Pinetree Recreation Center.

Motion: Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve to ratify and was seconded by Tucker Greene. The motion was approved and carried.

OTHER ITEMS

22. 2019 TSPLOST 2023 Work Plan Amendment (Finance Director Abby Branan)

Request to amend the 2019 TSPLOST 2023 Work Plan

Motion: Commissioner Greene moved to approve the work plan amendment with sufficient funding for the Pinetree Way roundabout landscaping, and he was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion carried unanimously.

23. Decision on Boles Appeal for Planning Commission Denial

Motion: Commissioner Stringer made a motion to deny the appeal, which was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY MANAGER

COUNTY ATTORNEY

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Stringer thanked Sean Phipps and Joy Edelberg for their work on the sewer ordinance. He said that was very important in protecting the \$12+ million asset that is about to be built in the county.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident Gary Hulsey spoke on the 10th amendment and the information in a handout he disseminated prior to the meeting. He said they could find more information at the website defytyrants.com.

Resident Dee Dyer said she is here for the noise ordinance. She thanked them for working on it and for getting back in touch with her on the subject. Her grandmother died one year ago on Sunday to the beating of the continuous beating until 11 pm. at night. She said she is begging for help and she said everyone has complied but them. They feel like they do not have to comply. She said it is continuous beating on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and sometimes Wednesday until 11 pm. She said the noise ordinance that we have set is not working in the county. She asked they do something else, change the times, do something to help. She said they very much feel like they are above the law and she doesn't know what else to do.

Sheriff Stacy Jarrard said that he has always been pro for a noise ordinance and has asked for it to be all hours of the day. He asked for it to be 24/7. He doesn't feel it is fair for the residents that have lived here their entire life. There is state law that will help with residences but not with venues. Chairman Dockery noted that Sheriff Jarrard is very involved with the state sheriff's association and they have big lobbying power. He asked if this a state wide issue, has Sheriff Jarrard asked them to put forth some kind of legislation to be passed at the state level to address this? The Sheriff said he has, but there has been no traction about moving that forward. Chairman Dockery said that the County will continue to work on it and it is an agenda item for next month. The Sheriff commented that there are only a couple of venues that push the limits and cause problems.

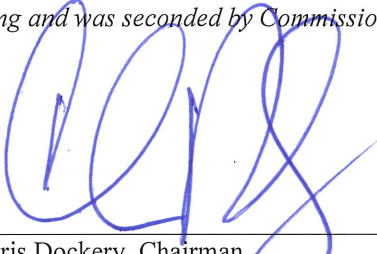
Ms. Dyer said the problem is you can start at 7:00 pm and think its fine, but by 9:00 pm, it is unreal. The problem is worsened by alcohol. It not supposed to be like that and she is going on over 10 years of this. She said she appreciates everyone that has answered her back.

ADJOURNMENT

***Motion:** Commissioner Mayfield moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion carried unanimously.*

The meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

December 19, 2023
Date


Chris Dockery, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:


Melissa Witcher
Clerk, Lumpkin County