



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

July 21, 2026
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm. Present were Chairman Rhett Stringer and Commissioners Tucker Greene, Bobby Mayfield, Nathan Davis, and Jeff Moran.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fire Chief David Wimpy gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Specific)

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Joint Proclamation in Recognition of Mrs. Emma Jean Miller's 100th Birthday ***Ratify***
***Motion:** Commissioner Moran moved to approve the proclamation and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*

MINUTES

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

2. Board of Commissioners - Work Session - June 2, 2026 4:00 PM
3. Board of Commissioners - Work Session II - June 16, 2026 5:30 PM
4. Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting - June 16, 2026 6:00 PM

5. Board of Commissioners - Appeal Hearing - June 16, 2026 4:30 PM
6. Board of Commissioners - Special Called Work Session - June 17, 2026 9:00 AM

RESOLUTIONS

7. 2026-42 Reappoint Members to Lumpkin County Planning Commission - *Chris Adams to Seat 3, and Derek Runyon to Seat 4, both with terms expiring 08/27/2030*
Motion: *Chairman Stringer moved to appoint Chris Adams and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*

Motion: *Chairman Stringer moved to appoint Derek Runyon and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
8. 2026-43 Resolution to Dissolve Recycling & Litter Committee
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
9. 2026-44 Adopt Revised Watershed Protection Plan (June 24, 2026) and LCWSA Sanitary Sewer Service Area/Watershed Protection Area Map (*Water & Sewerage Authority Director Sean Phipps*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*
10. 2026-45 2026 Budget Calendar for FY2027 Budget Amendment (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
Motion: *Commissioner Moran moved to approve the budget calendar amendment and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*

REPORTS

ELECTED OFFICIALS

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

11. 2026-066 DebtBook Contract Renewal (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
Motion: *Commissioner Moran moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
12. 2026-067 Enotah Accountability Courts MOU - Fiscal Agent (*Finance Director Abby Branan*) **Ratify**
Motion: *Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*
13. 2026-068 LC Emergency Services EMS Students - Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc. Training Agreement (*EMA Director David Wimpy*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Moran. The motion was approved unanimously.*
14. 2026-069 Lumpkin County - Wimpy Airport Fuel Farm Replacement Contract - L & T Inc. (*Public Buildings Manager David Campbell*)
Motion: *Commissioner Moran moved to approve the contract and was seconded by Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.*

Commissioner Mayfield said the Airport Authority will be reimbursing us over time, and Commissioner Greene asked how much of the revenue from the Airport Authority comes back to the County. Ms. Branan explained that the budget is such that the annual fuel revenue is basically equal to the cost of the fuel, and there is not much profit, if any, on the fuel sales. The hangar rental revenue helps pay for utilities, internet service, credit card fees, and the Airport Authority's portion of the audit. Ms. Branan said the fuel sales do not really help the authority's budget. From a budget standpoint, the airport is not profitable. She said there is a cash balance with the Authority that she can take a look at to see if they can bear some of the burden for the match funds. Commissioner Mayfield said it is important for the Authority to have skin in the game, and Chairman Stringer said we can sort out the funding later.

15. 2026-070 Boardroom Podium & Screen System Updates - Howard Technology Solutions (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
Motion: *Commissioner Greene moved to approve the agreement and was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield. The motion was approved unanimously.*
16. 2026-071 Purchase Special Response Team Medical Equipment - North American Rescue (*Sheriff Stacy Jarrard*)
Motion: *Commissioner Moran moved to approve the purchase and was seconded by*

Commissioner Greene. The motion was approved unanimously.

17. 2026-072 Purchase In-Car Mobile Printers & Software at Sheriff's Office - Howard Technology Solutions (*Sheriff Stacy Jarrard*)

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

18. 2026-074 Road Resurfacing Bid Award - Colditz Trucking (*Public Works Director Chris Thomas*)

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

OTHER ITEMS

19. Lumpkin County's Support & Participation in the Georgia Grown Trail 52 Initiative

***Motion:** Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the purchase of the signs, and Commissioner Greene seconded. Commissioners Greene, Mayfield, and Moran were in favor. Commissioner Davis was opposed. The motion was approved.*

20. 2020 SPLOST 2026 Work Plan Amendment (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)

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

21. 2026 SPLOST 2026 Work Plan Amendment (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)

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

COUNTY MANAGER

Mr. Ours reminded everyone that registration for the Lumpkin 101 citizens' academy has begun. This coming Tuesday at 6 pm is a public meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan, and on August 12 at 3 pm, the groundbreaking will occur for the new animal shelter.

ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER & DEPARTMENT HEADS

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Mayfield made some comments about the upcoming work at the 400 intersection.

Commissioner Moran thanked James Brady for recording the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Brian Garriss made some comments regarding his concerns with the County's usage of Flock cameras. Mr. Garriss asked the Board of Commissioners to cancel their contract with Flock because of privacy concerns and the misuse that has occurred at some law enforcement agencies around the country. Mr. Garriss said the US government should not be tracking the daily movement of citizens, and he is concerned whether people can be trusted with such power. He said these cameras started going up before the citizens were educated on just how invasive they are, and some communities around the nation have already started canceling their Flock contracts. Once the infrastructure is built that can monitor citizens' daily lives, he cautioned, it can be abused.

Commissioner Mayfield asked Mr. Garriss if he knew of any Georgia communities that had done away with their Flock contracts. Mr. Garriss said he was not sure, but since Flock is headquartered in Georgia, they have quite a strong presence here.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm.

Date

Rhett Stringer, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Melissa Witcher
Clerk, Lumpkin County