



LUMPKIN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Work Session II Agenda
Commissioners Boardroom

July 20, 2021
5:30 P.M.

- **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Dockery
- **PRESENTATIONS**
 1. ACCG Insurance Program Presentation *Regular Meeting*
- **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**
 2. Board of Commissioners - Work Session - Jun 1, 2021 4:00 PM
 3. Board of Commissioners - Work Session II - Jun 15, 2021 5:30 PM
 4. Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Jun 15, 2021 6:00 PM
 5. Board of Commissioners - Special Called Work Session - Jun 15, 2021 7:00 PM
- **RESOLUTIONS**
 6. 2021 - 38 - Consideration of Fleet Replacement Policy (*Special Projects Director Ashley Peck*)
 7. 2021 - 41 - Appoint Member to Audit Committee - Charles Jones, III to Seat 5, with a term expiring 12/31/2021
 8. 2021 - 42 - Reappoint Member to Planning Commission - William Gilstrap to Seat 6, with term expiring 08/27/2025
 9. 2021 - 43 - Appoint Members to Board of Elections-Ben English to Seat 1 & Rhonda Sheppard to Seat 5 exp 12.31.22
 10. 2021 - 45 - Consideration of Revision to Short Term Rental License Ordinance (*Deputy Planning Director Mary Catherine Beutel*)
 11. 2021 - 46 - Amend 2021 Budget Calendar (*Finance Director Abby Branan*)
- **CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**
 12. 2021-043 - Amend IGA City of Dahlonega & Lumpkin County - 2021 Municipal Election (*Special Projects Director Ashley Peck*)
 13. 2021-044 - Mutual Termination of CHP Lease Agreement on Rock House Road (*County Attorney Joy Edelberg*)
- **OTHER ITEMS**
 14. Special Event Permit - Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting & Dinner (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
 15. Special Event Permit - LLC Welcome Dinner (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)

16. Special Event Permit Request – Enotah Casa Mountain Arts Fest (*County Clerk Melissa Witcher*)
17. Grand Jury Recommendation to Increase Juror Pay (*County Attorney Joy Edelberg & County Manager Stan Kelley*)
18. Request from Union County for Transfer of Wire Recycle Bins (*Public Works Director Larry Reiter*)
19. Consideration of Options for the Yahoola Creek Park Basketball Court (*Finance Director Abby Branan & Park & Rec Manager Wade Chandler*)
20. Discuss Mark Robinson Request for Recycling Fee Increase (*Public Works Director Larry Reiter*)
21. Decision on Northeast Georgia Health Systems Planned Unit Development Application (*Planning Director Bruce Georgia*)

- **COUNTY MANAGER**
- **COUNTY ATTORNEY**
- **COMMISSIONERS**
- **PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Specific)**
- **ADJOURNMENT**

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairman Chris Dockery

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

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Consideration of Creation of a Fleet Replacement Policy

Special Projects Director Ashley Peck reviewed how staff redefined the thresholds and added additional clarification for vehicle additions to the fleet. Commissioner Moran said this made a lot more sense because it had the priorities listed. Mr. Kelley said the intent was to have an objective look rather than subjective. Commissioner Moran said it would also be beneficial to be able to keep vehicles if they were still in good condition.

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10. 2021 - 45 - Consideration of Revision to Short Term Rental License Ordinance (Deputy Planning Director Mary Catherine Beutel)

DISCUSS REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 12, BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND LICENSING

Commissioner Stringer asked about how things were going with Host Compliance. Mary Catherine Beutel said staff has been working with them to implement the new HB317 changes to short term rentals involving remittance. She said most citizens seem happy with using Host Compliance to report issues. The Chairman had some questions about the due date of the occupational tax mentioned in Article II. He wanted clarification on why business owners didn't have to pay their tax until a month after they had started the business. Mr. Georgia and Mr. Kelley said that language has been there for many years and is somewhat of a grace period. Chairman Dockery asked if other licenses had grace periods, and Mr. Kelley responded that in some cases, they do.

The Chairman observed that a lot of people came in and got their short-term rental host licenses after we implemented the new ordinance, and he asked how many new licensees were coming in. Mr. Georgia said they are averaging about three to four new licenses per month. He said the main challenge has been getting the Host Compliance software to fit to Lumpkin County's ways of operating. Commissioner Moran asked if Host Compliance kept data on complaints, and Ms. Beutel replied that they do and staff looks over the complaints.

11. 2021 - 46 - Amend 2021 Budget Calendar (Finance Director Abby Branan)

Amend the 2021 Budget Calendar for FY2022 Budget Due to a Time Error

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

12. 2021-043 - Amend IGA City of Dahlonega & Lumpkin County - 2021 Municipal Election (Special Projects Director Ashley Peck)

Amend the IGA with City of Dahlonega for conducting the 2021 Municipal General Election due to the addition of a county wide election.

13. 2021-044 - Mutual Termination of CHP Lease Agreement on Rock House Road (County Attorney Joy Edelberg)

Mutual Termination of CHP Lease Agreement on Rock House Road

Commissioner Mayfield asked if there could possibly be another lease in the future. The Chairman said CHP has purchased their own property from the Development Authority so they will no longer need to lease from the County.

OTHER ITEMS

14. Special Event Permit - Dahlonaga-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting & Dinner (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Special Event Permit allowing the Chamber of Commerce to hold their annual meeting and dinner on November 5, 2021.

15. Special Event Permit - LLC Welcome Dinner (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Special Event Permit allowing the Chamber of Commerce to hold their annual Leadership Lumpkin County Welcome Dinner on August 26, 2021.

16. Special Event Permit Request – Enotah Casa Mountain Arts Fest (County Clerk Melissa Witcher)

Special Event Permit allowing the Enotah Casa to hold their event on September 11-12, 2021.

17. Grand Jury Recommendation to Increase Juror Pay (County Attorney Joy Edelberg & County Manager Stan Kelley)

Grand Jury Recommendation to Increase Juror Pay

Commissioner Mayfield said he was in favor of the increase.

18. Request from Union County for Transfer of Wire Recycle Bins (Public Works Director Larry Reiter)

Determine method for disposal of wire bins.

Chairman Dockery said he was in favor of donating these to Union County.

19. Consideration of Options for the Yahoola Creek Park Basketball Court (Finance Director Abby Branan & Park & Rec Manager Wade Chandler)

Consider options for the basketball court being constructed at Yahoola Creek Park.

Commissioner Mayfield said he is not opposed to a basketball court, but he was initially surprised by the numbers. However, he said staff did an excellent job clarifying those numbers so he understands it better. Chairman Dockery said the project has grown in scope due to safety concerns with it being right next to the road. There have been additional discussions on the possibility of adding pickleball courts to the basketball court. Larry Reiter, the Public Works Director, said he didn't have final designs yet, but it may be possible to add the striping for 1-3 pickleball courts. Mr. Kelley said he may bring it before the BOC in the future to decide between different options.

There was some discussion with Park & Rec Manager Wade Chandler about the positioning and number of courts. Commissioner Stringer said we could design the basketball court in a way that will accommodate future pickleball courts. The Chairman said the BOC should vote tonight on the basketball court, and they could always consider pickleball in the future.

20. Discuss Mark Robinson Request for Recycling Fee Increase (Public Works Director Larry Reiter)

Revise recycling cost of the transfer station lease/ recycling agreement with Mark Robinson hauling, LLC.

Commissioner Stringer suggested that we should continue discussions with the City of Dahlonaga about them contributing to the County recycling program. He also said we should increase PR efforts to educate citizens on the importance of properly recycling cardboard. Chairman Dockery said he heard from Mark Robinson that cardboard gets stacked on the ground at the recycling bins. One reason of moving the bins to the Transfer Station was to help encourage people to recycle properly, but it gets ruined if it is left out to get rained on. Commissioner Stringer said Mr. Robinson shared with him he once found blinds shoved into one of the bins.

The Chairman said recycling involves some responsibility on behalf of the consumer to ensure they are doing it correctly. The recycling program is already supplemented; how much more should we supplement it with taxpayer dollars? He said he agrees with Commissioner Stringer that we could perhaps go through the end of

this period and honor Mr. Robinson's request for an increase in compensation. If there are municipalities getting out of recycling, he said there must be a reason why. Commissioner Stringer said it's gone from recycling to a free place to throw stuff out.

21. Decision on Northeast Georgia Health Systems Planned Unit Development Application (Planning Director Bruce Georgia)

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COUNTY MANAGER

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COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Specific)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

August 19, 2021

Date



Melissa Witcher

County Clerk, Lumpkin County



Chris Dockery, Chairman

Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners