

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
August 16, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on August 16, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, District 5 Commissioner David Walls, and County Attorney Michael Hill.

Agenda Item # 1 – Chairman Boone called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item # 2 - Welcome, Invocation, and Pledge to the American Flag – Chairman Boone welcomed everyone in attendance, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda Item # 3 – Chairman Boone asked the Board to appoint Felicia Adams and Susanne Palmer to serve as Deputy Clerks to the Board in the absence of the Clerk. On a motion (Perry) and second (Hammond) the Board unanimously approved the appointments.

Agenda Item # 4 – Public Hearings – Chairman Boone highlighted the rules governing all public hearings to the audience and asked all participants to sign the sheet at the podium for which hearing they wish to speak at. Chairman Boone also advised to state their name and address for audio recording purposes before they address the Board.

Hearing #1 – Application By Tillman Infrastructure LLC for a telecommunication (monopole) tower on Glenloch Road. Attorney Patton Hahn, representing Tillman Infrastructure LLC, addressed the Board regarding the application. There being no

further public comments, on a motion (Hammond) and second (Perry), the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Hearing #2 – Application by Richard Todd to Rezone a home and 2 acres from Agricultural to Rural Development on Dowdy Road. Richard Todd addressed the Board regarding his application to Rezone. There being no further public comments, on a motion (Hammond) and second (Walls), the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Hearing #3 – Application by Marsha Hunt for a special use permit for a wedding venue and event center. Ms. Hunt was not present at the hearing, and Commissioner Hooks indicated that Ms. Hunt has changed her mind on an event center and has since rented the facility to be used as a church. Attorney Hill reminded the Board that under our current public hearing policy, the applicant or authorized representative must be present at the hearing. Hill also confirmed that the Planning Commission denied the application at their meeting due to the applicant's lack of attendance or authorized representative. There being no public comments, on a motion (Perry) and second (Hooks), the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Hearing #4 – Application by Greg Thompson to Rezone 2.05 acres from Single Family Residential to General Commercial on Coweta Heard Road. Mr. Greg Thompson addressed the Board regarding his application to Rezone. This was the second application submitted by Mr. Thompson to Rezone this property, after being denied by the Commissioners on his first application. Chairman Boone pointed out to Mr. Thompson that noise complaints were made initially about the operation of the garage which prompted a response from Codes Enforcement. Investigation by Codes Enforcement revealed the property was not zoned for a garage and you were operating without a

business license. Furthermore, after you were denied rezoning on your first application, you continued to operate the business. Additional people who spoke to the Board during the public hearing are as follows: Jonathan Smith, Amberly Nelson, Jaylon Hurston, Frank Screws, Bobby Turner, LaDonna Reynolds and Melissa Strong. There being no further comments, on a motion (Hammond) and second (Walls) the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Agenda Item # 5 – Approval of minutes from the July 19, 2022 Commission Meeting and Work session – On a motion (Perry) and second (Hooks), the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2022 regular meeting and Work session as written.

Agenda Item # 6 – Amend Agenda – No amendments.

Agenda Item # 7 – New Business

a. Decision on application from Tillman Infrastructure LLC: On a motion (Perry) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to approve this application.

b. Decision on application from Richard Todd: Commissioner Perry stated that this Rezone Application may conflict with our current ordinance as he read it and made a motion to deny the application, and Commissioner Hammond second the motion. After a motion and second, the topic was open for discussion. Commissioner Perry read the individual ordinance into the record that prompted his decision to deny the Rezoning. Attorney Hill stated that the ordinance on Muni Code does not contain the same exact wording as what Commissioner Perry read out of his code book, and Hill recommended that it should be verified as to which wording or version is the most current. Commissioner Perry agreed to withdraw his motion until this issue can be verified, and table the decision until the next regular meeting.

- c. Decision on application from Marsha Hunt: On a motion (Hooks) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to deny the application.**
- d. Decision on application from Greg Thompson: On a motion (Hooks) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to deny the application.**
- e. Set meeting date to set Millage Rate: The Board agreed to a called meeting on August 25, 2022 at 5:00pm to set the millage rate for Calendar Year 2022.**

Agenda Item # 8- Old Business

- a. Adoption of Resolution: The first reading of a Resolution by the Board of Commissioners of Heard County for the fixing of Minimum Annual Salaries and Supplements for Certain Elected Officials following the 2022 Revision of the 2020 Census was read at the July 19, 2022, regular meeting. Attorney Hill advised the legal publication requirements have been met, and the official adoption of the Resolution should now be done at this meeting by the Board. On a motion (Walls) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution as written.**
- b. Discussion/Decision- Noise Ordinance**

Attorney Hill presented his draft of a text Amendment to the current Noise Ordinance, enabling Law Enforcement and Code Enforcement a broader scope of enforcement on noise complaints. On a motion (Hammond) and second (Caldwell), the Board voted unanimously to adopt the updated Noise Ordinance.

Agenda Item # 9- Public Comments

Mr. Lawrence Lipford of 6061 Hwy 27 Franklin, Ga. spoke to the Board about utilizing the Rock Quarry on Hwy 34 west of Franklin as a potential water reservoir for the Water Authority.

Agenda Item # 9 – Executive Session- On a motion (Hammond) and second (Perry), the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel. After discussion on a personnel matter, on a motion (Hammond) and second (Walls), the Board voted unanimously to enter regular session.

Agenda Item # 10 – Adjourn – There being no further business, on a motion (Caldwell) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.



County Clerk



Chairman

Date 09-20-2022

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
August 25, 2022 - 5:00 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a called Commissioners Meeting on August 25, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, and District 5 Commissioner David Walls.

Agenda Item # 2 - Welcome, Invocation, and Pledge to the American Flag - Chairman Boone called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present and gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3 – New Business – Chairman Boone read the Resolution into the record to set the Millage Rate less the rollback at 6.42mills for Calendar Year 2022. On a motion (Hammond) and second (Perry), the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution setting the Millage Rate less the rollback at 6.42mills countywide.

Agenda Item # 4 – Adjourn – On a motion (Caldwell) and second (Hooks), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



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Date 09-20-2022

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 15, 2022 - 5:30 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a called Commissioners Meeting on September 15, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, and District 5 Commissioner David Walls.

Agenda Item # 2 - Welcome, Invocation, and Pledge to the American Flag - Chairman Boone called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present and gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3 – Old Business –

a. Chairman Boone asked for a motion to adopt the rollback Millage Rate for Calendar Year 2022. On a motion (Perry) and second (Walls), the Board voted unanimously to adopt the rollback Millage Rate.

b. Chairman Boone then read the Resolution into the record to set the Millage Rate less the rollback at 6.42mills for Calendar Year 2022. On a motion (Hammond) and second (Perry), the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution setting the Millage Rate less the rollback at 6.42mills countywide.

Agenda Item # 4 – Adjourn – On a motion (Caldwell) and second (Hooks), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



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Date 09-20-2022