

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CALLED MEETING
February 22, 2021 – 3:00 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Called Commissioners Meeting on February 22, 2021 at 3:00 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, 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. Commissioner Larry Hooks led the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3- Meeting with the Heard County Water Authority at their request – Chairman Boone opened the meeting and recognized Ms. Lori Cook, Director of the Heard County Water Authority, along with the following Board members Alvin Ginn, James Ray Gosdin, Shane Cammon, Tommie McKeever, and Loy Howard. Ms. Cook came to the podium to discuss the accomplishments that have been made since she became the director (see attached copy of the powerpoint). After Ms. Cook's presentation, Chairman Boone opened the meeting for discussion. Chairman Boone asked the Water Authority Board if there had been any discussion about rates being raised again. Mr. Howard stated that there was no way water rates could be raised to meet the projects that lay ahead. Mr. Howard feels like the Water Authority is under-funded by SPLOST. Mr. Howard also stated that a better working relationship is needed with the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Boone and the Commission Board agreed that water rates needed to be assessed again and needed to be reviewed to see if an increase is needed.

Agenda Item #4 -Amendments- Chairman Boone asked if there were any amendments to the agenda, Commissioner Walls requested an amendment to the agenda to add item agenda item Discuss Board Appointments. On motion (Walls) and second (Hooks), the Board unanimously approved this request.

Agenda Items- - Discuss Board Appointments- Commissioner Walls stated after speaking with individuals the Board needed to have more discussion about appointments to different Boards to ensure everyone that wants to serve is given the opportunity. Chairman Boone stated that the Board needed to make sure anyone that they consider are going to be willing to show up monthly and the Board never consider putting someone on a Board that has had bad history with that department or Board.

There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and second (Hammond), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Crista Hope Cole

County Clerk

Lee Boone

Chairman

Date 3/24/2021

