**2024 COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES**

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October 1, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Johnson gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Samuel Johnson and Ronald Walker were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Probate/Magistrate Judge Mia Wallace, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Corner Raymond Crozier Public Works Director/Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Assistance Public Works Director Cordera Davis and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. September 3, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. September 5, 2024 Special Called

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

**5) Correspondence Requiring Action**

**6) Old Business**

a. Discussion/Approval of Rental Agreement between Clay County BOC and State Properties Commission

and Technical College System of GA

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker to table rental agreement between Clay County BOC and State Properties Commission and Technical College System of GA Administrator Dollar awaiting contract agreement.

**7) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval to have Geocache on County Property.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve Geocache on County property with Clay County EDC maintaining. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval of Clay County Board of DFCS appointments: Deanna Bertrand and Sonja Sedberry

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann approve Deanna Bertrand and Sonja Sedberry to Clay County DFCS board. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discuss Giving County Administrator Permission to select low BID and start work on Meadows Link Road.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker permission for Administrator to select low BID and start work on Meadow Link Road. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Call for Vote on Closing CR 2 (Old Dairy Road)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner to Closing CR 2 (Old Dairy Road) as specified as the legal description in the Southern Tribune. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**8) Comments from the Public (*limit to 3 minutes)***

There were no comments from the public.

**9) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works/Water System Status Report, September 2024

Mr. Wilson recapped his monthly report with the Board.

b. Superior Court Finance Report, September 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court vendor upgrading receiving and account payable program no report available. Has transited from Regions to First State Bank.

c. Sheriff Report, September 2024

Sheriff Shivers recapped his monthly report with the Board.

d. Tax Commissioner Report, September 2024

Mrs. Brown recapped her monthly report with the Board. Everything submitted for digest to the State.

e. Probate/Magistrate Report, September 2024

Mrs. Wallace recapped her monthly report with the Board. Election server went completely down was repaired Tuesday. Judge Wallace requested office be made safer and private, she requested get office across the hall, Commissioner Hubbard asked what would happen to voting machines, asked would Election Board be at Social Service building.

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to allow Administrator Dollar and Judge Wallace permission to do a study on how to make Probate/Magistrate office safer and private. All votes in favor; motion carried.

f. Coroner Report, September 2024

In attendance no report

g. Fire Chief Report, September 2024(Fire Chief Not in attendance)

Raymond Crozier explained to the Board that Pataula Fire Department door was damaged and unable to close.

**10) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

b. Financial Report (Report attached)

Informed the Board about a letter that was received from EDC concerning Hotel/Motel funds received. Was able to find a 2008 ordinance stating that 40% should be used for tourism and 60% should be used for general fund. Suggested creating a new ordinance for funds to go towards Chambers. Suggested having a meeting with Board of Chambers to resolve some issues concerning bring opportunities to Clay County. House Bill 581 Board will have to decide if Clay County wants to opt out Alan Hornaday will be at the November Metting to explain. Administrator and Janice Jarvis will meet with auditor October 10,2024 to discuss completing audits. Construction for Courtroom will start next week Administrator Dollar asked for permission to cut a tree down.

**11) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills updated the Board on the following from his status report:

Cotton Hill Road, GDOT requested for right of way certifications. IEA Ingram Road, requested the county’s consent to place rip rap and construct water ditches along Ingran Road, advised Board to take a look at Ingram Road.

**12) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – Thanked everyone for working hard during Hurricane Helene

Vice Chairman Spann – no comments

Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Walker – no comments

Commissioner Johnson –Inquiring about who was Fire Chief thanked all Department Heads & Constitutional Officers for attending Board Meeting and providing reports.

**13) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**14) Signing of Checks**

The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.

**15) Consent Agenda**

**16) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**17) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**18) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM THE COUNTY DEPUTY CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF

THE October 1, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date

September 3, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Walker gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard and Ronald Walker were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Probate/Magistrate Judge Mia Wallace, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Public Works Director/Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Assistance Public Works Director Cordera Davis and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Samuel Johnson was unable to attend.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. August 6, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

**5) Unfinished Business**

**6) New Business**

a. Discussion / Approval of Rental Agreement between Clay County BOC and State Properties Commission and Technical College System of GA

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker to table rental agreement between Clay County BOC and State Properties Commission and Technical College System of GA until receive more details about agreement.

b. Discussion/Approval of FY2026 Transit Grant Application Forms

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve FY2026 Transit Grant Application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Clay County Board of Health Appointment

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann ask that Ronald Dollar serve on the Clay County Board of Health. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Discussion/Approval of Clay County Courtroom BID/Construction

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Walker to approve Southeastern Ag Comm Inc BID for Clay County Courtroom. All votes in favor; motion carried. Ronald Dollar explained that Splost funds could pay for furniture and construction.

**7)**  Comments from the Public *(limit to 3 minutes)*

Willie Gilbert – asked that more be done on Days Avenue; Thanked Jamie for getting water back on in a timely manner yesterday.

Karen Kinsell – invited the BOC to activities that the City of Fort Gaines hosting. Also asked that County work on getting gym back useable for recreation for Clay County and Fort Gaines youth.

Martin Pilcher – spoke to the Board about a portion of Old Dairy Road being abandoned

Motion made from Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann that Attorney Mills draw up a Resolution to abandon Old Dairy Road.

Tim Shavers Clay County Economic Development requested that Clay County participate in Geocache an outdoor recreational activity. BOC requested that Mr. Shavers be put on agenda for October to have approved.

**8) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works/Water System Status Report, August 2024

Mr. Wilson gave his monthly report. Has had several leaks the County is repairing leaks mention about going up on water rates to cover cost. Working hard on repairing roads.

b. Superior Court Finance Report, August 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court was transitioning from Regions to First State Bank and report wasn’t ready waiting on checks.

c. Sheriff Report, August 2024

Sheriff Shivers gave his monthly report. Two new hires investigator and probation officer for misdemeanor.

d. Tax Commissioner Report, August 2024

Thanked the BOC for completing the budget in a timely manner working on getting bills out.

e. Probate/Magistrate Report, August 2024

Informed Boc of plans for Elections (Charolette helping); Matthew Self and Chief Deputy clerk has been helping her still learning: Hired a clerk for her office.

f. Coroner Report, August 2024 (Not in attendance)

g. Fire Chief Report, August 2024(Not in attendance)

**9) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

b. Financial report

In binder; Informed the Board that the Water Funds has had to borrow funds from General Funds due to water not collecting enough to cover fees Administrator Dollar also mention about the Refuse Tax not being collected correctly due to being a tax and not a fee, would like for the City of Fort Gaines and Bluffton to work with Clay County in getting this changed. Would like to combine in the near future. Wants the Board and Attorney Mills to come up with ideas. Attorney Mills asked Deputy Clerk Temonica did the County have an IGA with the City to collect garbage will research.

Reminded the Board about the Georgia Recovers Tour Bus September 26, 2024; Special called meeting for FY 25 Ad Valorem Millage Rate September 5, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**10) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills updated the Board on the following from his status report:

Election Favorito intending to file a motion to dismiss. Planning on entering into an agreement that one lawyer will represent all counties.

**11) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – asked that anyone wish to have anything voted on contact BOC office Thursday before meeting; thanked all elected officials for reports.

Vice Chairman Spann – Thanked all offices for team work.

Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Walker – Thanked everyone for working hard on roads and water; wants more recreation for the kids

Commissioner Johnson – Not in attendance

**12) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**13) Signing of Checks**

**The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.**

**14) Consent Agenda**

**15) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**16) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**17) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date

August 6, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Davenport gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Ronald Walker and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Probate/Magistrate Judge Mia Wallace, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace Corner Raymond Crozier, Public Works Director/Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Assistance Public Works Director Cordera Davis and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Samuel Johnson was unable to attend.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. July 2, 2024 Public Hearing Zoning

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. July 2, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

**5) Unfinished Business**

**6) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approve A Three or Five Member Clay County Georgia Election Board

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard to have a three-member Election Board motion died for the lack of a second. Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Walker to have a Five Member Election Board. Chairman Davenport, Vice Chairman Spann, Commissioners Walker and Johnson voted Yay. Commissioner Hubbard voted Nay. Motion carried.

b. Nominate/Approve Clay County Georgia Election Board Members.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and second by Commissioner Johnson to Nominate/Approve Charlotte Shivers, Latonia Forte, Brittany Reynolds, Suzette Tedford and Lynthia Alexander. Chairman Davenport, Vice Chairman Spann, Commissioners Walker and Johnson voted Yay. Commissioner Hubbard voted Nay. Motion carried. Commissioner Hubbard made the motion to replace Lynthia Alexander with Laurie Crozier motion died for the lack of a second.

c. Discussion/Approve Appointed Time for Each Board Member.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson Position one Latonia Forte Position two Suzette Tedford Position three Charlotte Shivers, Position four Brittany Reynolds, and Position 5 Lynthia Alexander Position one and two will serve two-year terms, position three, four and five will server four-year term. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Discussion/Approval 2024 Recovery Month Proclamation for the Georgia Recovers Bus Tour Stop

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the Georgia Recovery Bus Tour September 26,2024 10:30-11:30 am. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**7)**  Comments from the Public *(limit to 3 minutes)*

Karen Kinsell – Thanked the Board of Commissioners for updating minutes and agendas on website; suggested Broadcasting meetings; Complained about courtroom not being handicapped accessible.

Maci Long – Invited the Board of Commissioners to Celebrate Recovery September 7,2024 First Baptist Church 5:30-8:00n pm.

Willie Gilbert- Complimented the Road Department on the upkeep of 148 Doughty Road asked if they’ll cut the bushes back.

Thomas Mountain- Complained about sink hole on West Bluffton Road; wanted to know status on computer scam $4,700.00.

**8) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, July 2024

The status report was enclosed in the meeting binders for Commission review.

b. Water System Status Report, July 2024

The status report was enclosed in the meeting binders for Commission review.

c. Superior Court Finance Report, July 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $7,027.05 with $4,558.15 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile Court.

d. Sheriff Report, July 2024

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and second by Vice Chairman Spann to add Clay County Disaster Mitigation Plan to agenda. All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and second by Vice Chairman to approve the MOU for Clay County Disaster Mitigation Plan 2023-2028 All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and second by Vice Chairman Spann to add the purchase of a vehicle to agenda, All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and second by Vice Chairman Spann to allow Sheriff Shivers $70,000.00 to purchase a new vehicle.

e. Tax Commissioner Report, July 2024

Not in attendance

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, July 2024

Ms. Wallace informed the Board that she was sworn in August 2, 2024 started working August 5,2024. Ms. Wallace will attend mandated training November 11-13, 2024 in Savannah. She also informed the Board the previous Judge didn’t turn in credit card.

g. Coroner Report July 2024. No report.

h. Fire Chief Report, July 2024. Not in attendance.

**9) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

Spoke to Bill McDaniel 2022 audit should be done by August 31,2024 will start 2023 immediately.

Administrator Dollar informed the Board that Cordera David has been made Supervisor. Courtroom BIDS deadline is August 30, 2024 BIDS would be open September 2,2024 at 9:00am

**10) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Miils informed the Board of the Resolution for the Board of Elections that he’ll be completing.

**11) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – no comments

Vice Chairman Spann – Thanked Road crew

Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Walker – Thanked everyone for working hard.

Commissioner Johnson – Asked if Board could do anything to make convenient stores more inviting. Thanked Department heads for reports.

**12) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**13) Signing of Checks**

**14) Consent Agenda**

**15) Executive Session (If Needed)**

Motion made by Chairman Davenport and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to enter executive section. All votes in favor motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:56 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 8:19 p.m.

**16) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

Commissioner Hubbard stated as a result of Executive Session no action at this time.

**17) There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.**

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

**I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM THE COUNTY CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF**

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**Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date**

July 2, 2024

Regular Meeting

(Immediately following 7:00p.m Public Hearing)

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 7:04 p.m. Commissioner Ronald Walker gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Ronald Walker and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace, Corner Raymond Crozier, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier, Rick Morris River Valley Regional Commission, and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. June 4, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Johnson to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

**5) Unfinished Business**

**6) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval to update permit application to Read/Apply to Electrical and Pluming

Motion made by Commission Johnson and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to update permit application to Read/Apply to Electrical and Plumbing. Chairman Davenport, Vice Chairman Spann, Commissioner Walker, and Johnson voted Yay. Commissioner Hubbard voted Nay. Motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval for the sale of 2012 Kenworth Refuse Truck T370 (Last 4 of Vin 6156) to the City of Cuthbert for $50,000.

Motion made by Commission Johnson and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann for the sale of 2012 Kenworth Refuse Truck T370 (Last 4 of Vin 6156) to the City of Cuthbert for $50,000. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Call for Vote on Zoning Applications

i.Five Blackshear LLC (RE: Thomas Lemacks) – Size Variance

70 County Line Road, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel 001A 002

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the Zoning Application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**7)**  Comments from the Public *(limit to 3 minutes)*

Laurie Crozier- Invited the Commissioners to a Town Halll meeting August 12,2024 at the Clay County Fire Station @ 6:00 p.m.Sheriff Shivers recommended that the meeting be held at the Clay County Courthouse

**8) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, June 2024; Status Report for June 2024 (enclosed in meeting binder)

b. Water System Status Report, June 2024; Status Report for June 2024 (enclosed in meeting binder) c. Superior Court Finance Report, June 2024; Not in attendance report e-mailed

d. Sheriff Report, June 2024; No report

e. Tax Commissioner Report; June 2024; Everything good no report.

f. Probate/Magistrate Report; June 2024; Not in attendance

g. Coroner Report June 2024; No report

h. Fire Chief Report, June 2024; Main Fire Engine in shop.

**9) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

Administrator Dollar elaborated on the Water Department saving money by repairing leaks in house.

Informed the Board about Kendall going out on leave allowed Kendall to explain to the Board how Tax Assessor office will be handled during her leave; Administrator Dollar spoke with Bill McDaniel auditor today he’s still working on 2022 audit. Mr. Dollar asked Attorney Mills to explain the Board of Elections.

**10) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills updated the Board on the following from his status report:

Planning and Zoning – New File open

Board of Elections – Establishing Board by January 1, 2025 Senate Bill 212

**11) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – Complimented Public Works on mowing

Vice Chairman Spann – Recommended all Commissioner present 1 person from District for Board of Elections. Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Johnson – Thanked the Department Heads for reports.

Commissioner Walker – left meeting at 7:35p.m. for an emergency

**12) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**13) Signing of Checks**

The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.

**14) Consent Agenda**

**15) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**16) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**17) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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June 4, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, and Commissioner Gail Hubbard, were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace Corner Raymond Crozier, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Samuel Johnson was unable to attend.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. May 7, 2024 Al Bev Lic\_Pataula Creek Bait and Tackle

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. May 7, 2024 Al Bev Lic\_The Gator Hole

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. May 7, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. May 28, 2024 Public Hearing\_FY25 Budget

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

Frederick Wallace- Request for road closure for an event that may occur.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to allow road closure from Days Avenue 39 to Creddles Mills Road from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm with proper Road Closure signs for event June 22, 2024 and July 13, 2024. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**5) Unfinished Business**

**6) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval, Any agency or organization receiving funding from Clay County Board of Commissioners must provide a monthly report of activities.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve that Any agency or organization receiving funding from Clay County Board of Commissioners must provide a monthly report of activities. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Approval of FY-25 Budget

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve FY-25 Budget. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval 2024-2025 Health Benefits Renewal

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve 2024-2025 Health Benefits Renewal. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**7)**  Comments from the Public *(limit to 3 minutes)*

Willie Gilbert – Complained about pot holes on Day’s Avenue and concerns about safety with citizens during the event that was hosted on Doughty Road. Thanked the Road Department for upkeeping 148 Doughty Road.

Zayne Peterman – Support the event that was approved for June 22, and July 13,2024 asked The City of Fort Gained Police Department and Clay County Sheriff Department to support.

**8) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, May 2024

Johnny Crozier, Public Works Director, gave the Roads/Solid Waste status report for May.

b. Water System Status Report, May 2024 Jamie Wilson, Water System Superintendent, gave the Water System status report for May c. Superior Court Finance Report, May 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $8,048.14 with $5,500.34 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile Court. Had come concerns coming off Creddle Mills Road and Mowing of the grass on Days Avenue.

d. Sheriff Report, May 2024

Sheriff Shiver’s recapped him monthly report with the Board. Informed the Board that Jags resigned

e. Tax Commissioner Report, May 2024

Bobbie Brown Tax Commissioner informed the Board of opening bank account at First State Bank.

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, May 2024

Not in attendance

g. Coroner Report May 2024

Raymond Crozier Corner recapped him monthly report with the Board; Fire Work show July 4,2024

h. Fire Chief Report, May 2024

Not in attendance

**9) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

Administrator Dollar thanked Jamie and Johnny for working diligently to handle water outage. Suggested Chamber get more active and possible recruit jobs and industries to Clay County. Water Tank Grant for Clay County has been approved.

**10) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills recapped his report with the Board. Will speak to Mr. Dollar about setting up Board of Election that will be appointed and hired by Board of Commissioner.

**11) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – asked the fire hydras be maintained.

Vice Chairman Spann – no comments

Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Johnson – Not in attendance

**12) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**13) Signing of Checks**

**The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.**

**14) Consent Agenda**

**15) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**16) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**17) Adjourn**

**There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.**

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

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**Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date**

**Public Hearing – FY 2025 Budget**

**May 28, 2024**

**6:30 p.m.**

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, and Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as Clay County Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Sheriff Locke Shivers County Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Public Comments on Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025**

Chairman Davenport opened the floor for comments and/or questions on the fiscal year 2025 proposed

budget. Commissioner Hubbard asked for an explanation on a few of the accounts.

Administrator Dollar asked the Board to be prepared to approve FY 2025 Budget at the June meeting

There were no public comments.

**3) Adjourn**

There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM THE COUNTY CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF

THE May 28, 2024 PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date

May 7, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Corner Raymond Crozier, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Minutes**

a. April 2, 2024 Public Hearing Zoning

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. April 2, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Johnson to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. April 11, 2024 Budget Work Session

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Presentations before the Board**

a. New Horizons – Community Mental Health Needs Assessment

Susan Gallagher and LaKaren Rickman from New Horizon informed the Board of Treatment and organizational information provided from New Horizon. May is Mental Health awareness month.

**5) Unfinished Business**

**6) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval Renew Survival Flight

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to Renew Survival Flight. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval of replacing a Representatives to Serve on GTRC&D Council

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann for Chairman Davenport to serve on the GTRC&D Council. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Clay County Board of Health Re-appointment

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chaiman Spann to reappoint Lavern Chaffin and Dr. Karen Kinsell to the Clay County Board of Health. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Call for Vote on Alcohol Beverage License Janet Cantrell dba Pataula Creek Bait & Tackle

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. Call for Vote on Alcohol Beverage License Martha Morris dba The Gator Hole

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**7)**  Comments from the Public (limit to 3 minutes)

Tim Shavers; Chairman of EDC gave the BOC a report of recent EDC projects.

Willie Gilbert; Complained about Days Avenue Road conditions; Thanked Mr. Dollar and workers for maintaining 148 Doughty Road.

**8) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, April 2024

Mr. Crozier recapped his monthly report with the Board.

b. Water System Status Report, April 2024

Not in attendance

c. Superior Court Finance Report, April 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $12,647.17 with $8,643.70 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile.

d. Sheriff Report, April 2024

Sheriff Shives reported everything good at Clay County Sheriff Office

e. Tax Commissioner Report, April 2024

Not in attendance

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, April 2024

Not in attendance

g. Coroner Report April 2024 Informed the Board of the New Deputy Coroner Tina White

h. Fire Chief Report, April 2024

Mr. Crozier recapped his monthly report with the Board.

**9) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

Administrator Dollar reminded the Board about the proposed budget and reminded BOC of Budget Public Hearing May 28, 2024. Administrator Dollar informed the BOC that audit for 2019,2020 and 2021 is in compliance 2022 is at the auditor office. Addressed the boat dock liability and ownership.

10) Attorney Status Report

Attorney Miils informed the Board that Splost 2024 and Special Election for District 5 notice of publication and ballot for the election to be held May 21,2024. He will speak to Administrator Dollar in reference to credit card ordinance. Neighborhood Service Center building can only be used by County for certain uses due to the way the grant was written. Senate Bill 212 was passed establishing Board of Elections and Registration that presently has the Probate Judge serving in the capacity of Election Superintendent. Will have to be established before January 1,2025.

**11) Comments from the Board**

Chairman Davenport – no comments

Vice Chairman Spann – no comments

Commissioner Hubbard – no comments

Commissioner Johnson – Will report to Mr. King attorney Mills finding in reference to Sycamore Road

**12) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**13) Signing of Checks**

**The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.**

**14) Consent Agenda**

**15) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**16) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**17) Adjourn**

**There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

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**Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date**

**Public Hearing- Alcoholic Beverage License**

May 7, 2024

6:45 p.m.

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, and Commissioners Gail Hubbard and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey

**2) New Business**

a. Martha V. Morris **d.b.a.** The Gator Hole LLC- Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Chairman Davenport stated the purpose of the public hearing and advised that the decision would be rendered during the regular meeting. He then opened the floor for comments on the application. Martha Morris was in attendance representing the applicant and spoke in favor of the application along with Kevin Flowers, Johnny Crozier and Cassandra Flowers. There were no opposing comments.

Vice Chairman Spann verified address.

**3) Adjourn**

**There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 6:47 p.m.**

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

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**Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date**

**Public Hearing- Alcoholic Beverage License**

May 7, 2024

6:30 p.m.

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, and Commissioners Gail Hubbard and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Fire Chief Charles Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey

**2) New Business**

a. Janet Cantrell **d.b.a.** Pataula Creek Bait and Tackle LLC- Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Chairman Davenport stated the purpose of the public hearing and advised that the decision would be rendered during the regular meeting. He then opened the floor for comments on the application. Janet Cantrell was not in attendance representing the application. There were no comments in favor of nor opposing the application.

**3) Adjourn**

**There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 6:31 p.m.**

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

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**Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date**

April 2, 2024

Regular Meeting

(Immediately following Public Hearing)

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Commissioner Johnson gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace, Corner Raymond Crozier, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

**Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.**

**3) Minutes**

a. March 5, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. March 19, 2024 Special Called Meeting

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Executive Session (If Needed)**

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring,

disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(6)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to enter executive section. All votes in favor motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:08 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 7:15 p.m.

**5) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

Commissioner Hubbard stated as a result of Executive Session no action at this time.

**6) Presentations before the Board**

a. Bobby Mallard – Clay County Planning and Zoning Commission

Planning and Zoning Chairman requested the Board of Commissioners approve an alternate to the Clay County Planning and Zoning Committee.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve Mark Murphy as an alternate for the planning and zoning commission. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Tony King – Road Issue

Mr. King stated he has concerns about 10 Henry King Lane (1.6 acres) formally known as County Road 123 and Upper Sandy Creek Road. Property has been in his family since 1940’s. According to him this property has Windstream, Diverse, County water and will have a four-home septic system installed in the near future. Mr. King wants explanation on why the Sheriff removed his E911 sign and stated that the property had been decommissioned and he continue to pay taxes. Chairman Davenport asked Attorney Mills to review and advise Board in the May meeting.

**7) Correspondence Requiring Action**

a. Letter of Resignation from Clay County Board of Commission Member

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to accept the resignation from Ernest Jenkins from Clay County Board of Commissioners. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**8) Unfinished Business**

**a.** Call for Vote on Zoning Applications

i. Valerie Creamer – Size Variance

159 Pataula Heights Lane, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel 006E 031 Lot 13

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to accept the application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion / Approval of New Clay County Employee Policy Manual

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the New Clay County Employee Policy Manual. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Courthouse Plans

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the Courthouse Plans. Vice Chairman Spann, Chairman Davenport, and Commissioner Johnson voted Yay. Commissioner Hubbard voted Nay. Motion carried.

**9) New Business**

**10) Comments from the Public (limit to 3 minutes)**

Dr. Karen Kinsell – invited Clay County to the clean up Fort Gaines April 6,2024; Dr. Kinsell suggested a joint meeting to discuss joint issues with Clay County

**11) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, March 2024

Mr. Crozier recapped his monthly report with the Board.

b. Water System Status Report, March 2024

Mr. Wilson recapped his monthly report with the Board. Passed Class 3 Water test with a 97.

c. Superior Court Finance Report, March 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $4,320.27 with $3,151.68 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile.

d. Sheriff Report, March 2024

Deputy Wallace no report

e. Tax Commissioner Report, March 2024

Deadline for taxes has been meet asked the Board stay on top of budget.

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, March 2024

Not in attendance

g. Coroner Report, March 2024

No report

h. Fire Chief Report, March 2024

Raymond Crozier informed the Board Fire Department received $25,000 grant for fireworks fund. Red Cross provided smoke detectors will be giving out at the Spring Festival.

**12) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

Administrator Dollar remined Board about Budget Hearing meeting April 11,2024; Passed out flyers concerning elective official use of credit cards Spoke about letter received from Georgia Community Affairs have been speaking to representees.; Open up Opioids Account for funds received.

**13) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills provided the Board with his monthly status report. Informed the Board Splost 2024 will be on the May ballot along with Special Election to replace Mr. Jenkins

**14) Comments from the Board**

*Chairman Davenport* – no comments

*Vice Chairman Spann* – no comments

*Commissioner Hubbard* – no comments

*Commissioner Johnson* – no comments

**15) Invoices to Be Approved**

**Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.**

**16) Signing of Checks**

**The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.**

**17) Consent Agenda**

**18) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey, County Deputy Clerk Date

**April 2, 2024**

**7:00 pm**

**Public Hearing by Board of Commissioners for Zoning**

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Code Enforcer Sonnie Wallace, Corner Raymond Crozier, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Procedural Review by Chairman**

Chairman Davenport reviewed the public hearing procedures; comments would be heard in favor of and opposing the application and the decision to be rendered during the regular meeting. Chairman Davenport opened the floor for comments.

**3) Applications:**

i. Valerie Creamer – Size Variance

159 Pataula Heights Lane, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel 006E 031 Lot 13

Ms. Valerie Creamer was in attendance and spoke in favor of her application.

There were no comments opposing the application.

Attorney Mills asked if the applicant if she would put in a septic system would Clay County provide water the applicant replied yes to both.

**4) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey Deputy County Clerk Date

March 5, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the, meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Samuel Johnson and Ernest Jenkins were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commission Hubbard and seconded by Commission Jenkins to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Annual Appointments**

**4) Minutes**

a. February 6, 2024 Public Hearing- Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Sheara Reed L.L.C Kings and Queens Arena

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. February 6, 2024 Public Hearing Zoning

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. February 6, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Vice Chairman Lola Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**5) Executive Session (If Needed)**

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring,

disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(6)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Lola Spann to enter executive section. All votes in favor motion carried. The Board, Sheriff Shivers, Janice Jarvis Rural Government Resources, and Attorney entered executive session at 7:02 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 7:45 p.m.

**6) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

Commissioner Jenkins stated as a result of Executive Session no action at this time.

**7) Presentations before the Board**

**8) Correspondence Requiring Action**

a. Letter of Resignation from Clay County Board of Assessors

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to accept the resignation and retirement from Mabel Giles from Tax Assessor Board. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Board of Assessor Request for Board Member

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to select Isabel Stovall to the Board of Assessor. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**9) Unfinished Business**

**10) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval Amending the FY 2025 Insurance Tax Premium-Revenue (Resolution 24-004)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to amend the FY 2025 Insurance Tax Premium to 50/50 Solid Waste and Fire Department/EMS. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval of Position between UGA Cooperative Extension and Clay County

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson for Salary Commitment between Clay County and UGA. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Eliminating Credit Cards with the Exception of one being in Commissioners Office

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann to eliminating all credit cards except one being at The Board of Commissioners Office and Sheriff Department. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann on eliminating all credit cards except one being at The Board of Commissioners Office and Elected official. All votes in favor; motion carried. MS. Thornton expressed her concerns about having a credit card for Superior Court office.

d. Discussion/Approval of Pre diem $50 for full day and $20 for half day.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins of $50 per diem for full day and $20 for half day for traveling. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. Discussion/ Authorization for Accounts Payable Clerk Katie Bagwell to access bank accounts for job tasks.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to authorize accounts payable Clerk Katie Bagwell to access bank accounts for job tasks. All votes in favor; motion carried.

f. Discussion/Approval of Annual Clean-up 2024- First week in April

Motion made by Vice Chairman Lola Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the annual clean-up week. All votes in favor; motion carried.

g. Discussion/Approval of Clay County Voting Delegate for Opioid Distributor Settlement.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to appoint Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar to represent Clay County Voting Delegate for Opioip Distributor Settlement. All votes in favor; motion carried.

h. Discussion/Approval of New Clay County Employee Policy Manuel

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to table until Board was able to have a workshop to discuss. All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to have a workshop March 19,2024 at 6:30pm. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**11) Comments from the Public (limit to 3 minutes)**

Raymond Crozier- Will landfill be open during week of annual clean-up, Administrator Dollar replied yes

**12) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, February 2024 –

Updated the Board with status report.

b. Water System Status Report February 2024 – Not in attendance

c. Superior Court Finance Report, February 2024 –

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $9,599.34 with $6,155.19 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile. Ask if it was appropriate for public to speak during meeting about item being voted on, Attorney Mills stated as long as the Chaiman recognize individual.

d. Sheriff Report, February 2024 -was given in executive section

e. Tax Commissioner Report, February 2024 -no report

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, February 2024 -Not in attendance

Corner Raymond Crozier informed the Board that the Deputy Corner Medically retired after 28 years.

Fire Chief Charles Crozier informed the Board that he’s working on several grants, Engine 1 needed to be in the shop for repairs

**13) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

b. Metrics report February 2024

c. Board of Commissioners Zoning Meeting April 2,2024 at 7:00 pm

Motion made by Chairman Davenport and seconded

Administrator/Clerk Dollar also briefed the Board on EMS: Ameripro meeting that was held in Quitman County and Survival Flight meeting that will be March 13, 2024: Goal is to get the best service for Clay County

Social Serviced building GED representative wants to sign contract informed that a decision on contract wouldn’t be made until plans for courthouse was finalized.

Lease or buy out agreement for Refuse trucks needs to be decided on in the near future.

**14) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills provided the Board with his monthly status report.

**15) Comments from the Board**

*Chairman Davenport* – no comments

*Vice Chairman Spann* – no comments

*Commissioner Hubbard* – no comments

*Commissioner Johnson* – asked if Constitutional Officers and Department Heads communicate with Clerk or Administrator if there not going to be in attendance.

*Commissioner Jenkins* – no comments

**16) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**17) Signing of Checks**

The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks

**18) Consent Agenda**

**19) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date

February 6, 2024

Regular Meeting

(Immediately following Public Hearing)

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the, meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Chairman Davenport gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Ernest Jenkins were unable to attend.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to add 7c) SPLOST 2024 added to agenda. All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to add 8e) Zoning Board Meetings from 2nd Tuesday to 2nd Thursday added to agenda. All votes in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the agenda with the amendments. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Annual Appointments**

**4) Minutes**

a. January 02, 2024 Public Hearing – Alcoholic Beverage License Application for Sheara Reed L.L.C Kings and Queens Arena

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. January 02, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. January 04, 2024 Public Hearing – FY 2024 Millage Rate (Meeting 3)

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. January 04,2024 Special Called Meeting – Setting of Millage Rate

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. January 16, 2024 Special Called Meeting – Qualifying Fees

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**5) Presentations before the Board**

**6) Correspondence Requiring Action** a. Letter of Resignation from Clay County Planning and Zoning Commission Member

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to accept the resignation letter from Joyce Sanders. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Letter of Resignation from Clay County Board of Assessors

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to accept the resignation from Bettey Ricks from Tax Assessor Board. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**7) Unfinished Business**

a. Call for Vote on Sheura Reed L.L.C. Kings and Queens Arena - Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Commissioner Johnson asked for clarification on application Sheriff Shives stated unless application is approved there shouldn’t be any alcohol sales. There was no motion on the application the Alcoholic Beverage License Application denied.

b. Call for Vote on Zoning Applications

i. Lola Spann – Size Variance/ Conditional use Permit for Mobile Home

11 Mockingbird Lane, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel F18 013

Vice Chairman Lola Spann recuse herself.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the application. Chaiman in favor; motion carried.

ii. Peter lll & Patricia Ynesta – Size Variance

187 Sunset Point, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel 006D 011

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the application. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Resolution Inquisition for SPLOST 2024 if for the call Referendum pass May 2024.

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the resolution. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**8) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval of County Administrator Contract

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to accept the County Administrator contract. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval of Family Connection Fiscal Agent Designation

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann for Clay County to be Family Connection Fiscal Agent Designation. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Adoption of Joint Comprehensive Plan 2024-2028

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to Adoption of Joint Comprehensive Plan 2024-2028. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Discussion/Approval of Selling Equipment/Vehicle

i. 2005 Sterling Acterra Dump truck VIN: 2FZACGCS16AV97547

ii.2005 GMC C7500 Dump Truck VIN: 1GDK7C1386F400825

iii 2006 Ford F-150 Pickup VIN: 1FTPW14556FA51217

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to Approval of Selling Equipment/Vehicle. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. Discussion/Approval of changing Zoning Board meeting from 2nd Tuesday to 2nd Thursday.

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve changing Zoning Board meeting to 2nd Thursday. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**9) Comments from the Public (*limit to 3 minutes)***

Karen Kinsell – Suggested that Clay County live screen meetings asked the Board to update agendas & meetings on website; Expressed her concerns about housing;

Willie Gilbert – Wanted to know about Clay County landfill operation; Complained about pot hole on Day’s Avenue; 148 Doughty Road needs dragging.

Miguel Abreu - Miguel Abreu asked for explanation on why Kings and Queens Arena liquor license was denied and wanted to know if there was an appeal process.

Frederick Sands – City Council member asked for explanation on why liquor license was denied for transparent to the citizens.

**10) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, January 2024

Not in attendance

b. Water System Status Report January 2024

Not in attendance c. Superior Court Finance Report, January 2024

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $7,972.67 with $5,079.43 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile.

d. Sheriff Report, January 2024

No report

e. Tax Commissioner Report, January 2024

Tax sale today and collection taxes

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, January 2024

Not in attendance

**11) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

a. Days Avenue CDBG

Waiting on auditor

b. Metrics report January 2024

EMS plan on meeting with Survival Flight 2/25/2024. Have meet with AmiPro about $600,000.00 and not being in Clay County have meeting 2/9/2024 with AmiPro to discuss.

c. Silicon Ranch Organization Donations

Administrator Dollar addressed plans for Courthouse, should be available for March meeting. presentenced the Policy Manuel to Board to review and be prepared to vote in the March meeting; Spoke to State Park about taking water; Applied for LMIG waiting on Audit.

**12) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills provided the Board with his monthly status report.

**13) Comments from the Board**

*Chairman Davenport* – no comments

*Vice Chairman Spann* – asked for update on Days Avenue CDBG

*Commissioner Hubbard* – no comments

*Commissioner Johnson* – Addressed the Alcohol License denial

*Commissioner Jenkins* – not in attendance

**14) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**15) Signing of Checks**

The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks.

**16) Consent Agenda**

**17) Executive Session (If Needed)**

**18) Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)**

**19) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m**.**

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM THE COUNTY CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF

THE FEBRUARY 6, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date

**February 6, 2024**

**7:00 pm**

**Public Hearing by Board of Commissioners for Zoning**

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Ernest Jenkins were unable to attend.

**2) Procedural Review by Chairman**

Chairman Davenport reviewed the public hearing procedures; comments would be heard in favor of and opposing the application and the decision to be rendered during the regular meeting. Chairman Davenport opened the floor for comments.

Vice Chairman Lola Spann recuse herself.

**3) Applications:**

i. Lola Spann – Size Variance/ Conditional use Permit for Mobile Home

11 Mockingbird Lane, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel F18 013

Ms. Lola Spann was in attendance and spoke in favor of their application along with Kenyatta Wesley, Yolanda Wesley, Mr. Miguel Abreu, and Artricia Jones.

There were no comments opposing the application.

ii. Peter lll & Patricia Ynesta – Size Variance

187 Sunset Point, Fort Gaines, GA 39851, map & parcel 006D 011

Mr. Peter Ynesta and Patricia was in attendance and spoke in favor of their application.

There were no comments opposing the application.

**4) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey Deputy County Clerk Date

January 4, 2024

Public Hearing – FY 2024 Millage Rate

6:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Ernest Jenkins, Samuel Johnson and Gail Hubbard were in attendance as well as County Administrator/Clerk Ronal Dollar, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Attorney William Mills was unable to attend.

**2) New Business**

a. Public Comments - Adoption of Ad Valorem Millage Rate for FY 2024

Chairman Davenport stated the purpose of the public hearing was to hear public comments on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2024. He opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

**3) Adjourn**

There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date

**Public Hearing- Alcoholic Beverage License**

February 6, 2024

6:45 p.m.

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Lola Spann, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, and Samuel Johnson were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Fire Chief Charles Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Deputy Clerk Temonica Ealey. Commissioner Ernest Jenkins were unable to attend.

**2) New Business**

a. Sheura Reed L**.L.C.** Kings and Queens Arena - Alcoholic Beverage License Application

The applicant was not in attendance. There were no public comments for the application.

Opposing the application was Sheriff Locke Shivers stating that since the last Board of Commissioners meeting the Clay County Sheriff office have received several complaints about drink upon responding to a call the deputy noticed litter of liquor bottle on the premises and at the Golf Course the Sheriff department also responded to a DUI accident where the defended admitted to leaving Kings and Queens Arena drinking with her mother.

Administrator/Clerk Ronald Dollar explained to the Board of Commissioners the reason for the applicant had to resubmit application to the Board of Commissioner was due to not advertising correctly in the legal ordinance only stated to serve.

**3) Adjourn**

There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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**James Davenport, Chairman Date**

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**Temonica Ealey, Deputy County Clerk Date**

January 2, 2024

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Chairman Davenport called the, meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Commissioner Johnson gave the opening prayer. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Ernest Jenkins, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Samuel Johnson and Lola Spann were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) Agenda Approval**

Motion made by Vice Chairman Jenkins and seconded by Commission Hubbard to approve the agenda as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**3) Annual Appointments**

a. Commission Chairman

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Spann to reappoint Commissioner James Davenport as Chairman. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Commission Vice Chairman

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins to appoint Commissioner Hubbard as Commission Chairman. Vote died as a result of not being seconded.

Motion made by Commissioner Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to reappoint Vice Chairman Jenkins as Commission Vice Chairman. All votes in favor; motion died due to Commissioner Jenkins declining reappointment.

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Spann to appoint Commissioner Spann as Commission Vice Chairman. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Executive Session (If Needed)

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring,

disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(6)

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to enter executive section. All votes in favor motion carried. The Board entered executive session at 7:23 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 7:43 p.m.

Continuing Business as a result of Executive Session (If needed)

Commissioner Jenkins stated as a result of Executive Session no action at this time.

d. County Clerk

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to appoint Ronald Dollar as County Clerk. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. County Attorney

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to retain William Mills as County Attorney. All votes in favor; motion carried.

f. County Depository

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to retain First State Bank as the County Depository. All votes in favor; motion carried.

1. Designation of Signors

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to designate all five Commissioners and the County Administrator as signors. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**4) Minutes**

a. December 5, 2023 Public Hearing – Zoning

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Vice Chairman Spann to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. December 5,2023 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. December 19, 2023 Special Called Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. December 28, 2023 Public Hearing – FY 2024 Millage Rate (Meeting 1)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. December 28, 2023 Public Hearing – FY 2024 Millage Rate (Meeting 2)

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the minutes as written. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**5) Presentations before the Board**

**6) Correspondence Requiring Action**

**7) Unfinished Business**

a. Sheura Reed L.L.C. Kings and Queens Arena - Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Motion made by Vice Chairman Spann and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the alcohol beer and wine application. Vice Chairman Spann, Commissioner Johnson and Chairman Davenport voted Yay. And Commissioner Hubbard and Jenkins voted Nay. Motion carried.

**8) New Business**

a. Discussion/Approval of Increasing Application Permit Fees

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to increase Application Permit Fees. All votes in favor; motion carried.

b. Discussion/Approval Elimination of Sale of Vacation time

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve elimination sale of vacation time. All votes in favor; motion carried.

c. Discussion/Approval of Johnny Crozier as Public Work Director

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to appoint Johnny Crozier as Public Work Director. All votes in favor; motion carried.

d. Discussion/Approval of Reduction of Work Force at Public Works

i. Eliminate One Fulltime position.

ii. Eliminate One Parttime Position

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the reduction of work force at public works elimination of one fulltime and parttime position. All votes in favor; motion carried.

e. Discussion/Approval of Discontinuing Providing Driveway Pipe for County Residents

Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve discontinuing providing driveway Pipe for County Residents. All votes in favor; motion carried.

Commissioner Hubbard asked would the County provide the pipes for the residents to purchase Administrator Dollar stated yes and that the County would still provide the service will no longer cover the cost of pipes.

**9) Comments from the Public *(limit to 3 minutes)***

There were no comments from the public.

**10) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers**

a. Public Works Status Report, December 2023

Johnny Crozier thanked the Board for appointing him Public Works Director: Informed the Board that Box Blade was repaired all vehicles was serviced and up to date

b. Water System Status Report, December 2023

Mr. Wilson recapped him monthly report with the Board; water tank still leaking will reach out to Southeastern Tank for repairs

c. Superior Court Finance Report, December 2023

Ms. Thornton reported that Superior Court collections for the month were $9,428.94 with $5,712.71 being disbursed to the County no collection for Juvenile.

d. Sheriff Report, December 2023

No report

e. Tax Commissioner Report, December 2023

Ms. Brown will upload State Millage rate increase if approved at January 4,2024 meeting.

f. Probate/Magistrate Report, December 2023

Not in attendance

**11) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations**

Mr. Dollar working on combining water and trash speaking to the City of Fort Gaines. EMS committee will meet January 4, 2024.

**12) Attorney Status Report**

Attorney Mills approved the updated substance abuse policy

Attached letter with the applicable time table to call for the referendum to adopt a 2024 SPLOST along with recommended letter to send to municipalities to approve an intergovernmental agreement for SPLOST projects.

**13) Comments from the Board**

*Chairman Davenport* – no comments

*Vice Chairman Spann* – asked that Days Avenue CDBG and Silicon Ranch be on agenda until completed.

*Commissioner Hubbard* – no comments

*Commissioner Johnson* – no comments

*Commissioner Jenkins* – no comments

**14) Invoices to Be Approved**

Motion made by Commissioner Hubbard Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the invoices. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**15) Signing of Checks**

The Board signed payroll and accounts payable approved invoice checks. All votes in favor; motion carried.

**16) Consent Agenda**

**17) Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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Temonica Ealey, County Clerk Date

**Public Hearing- Alcoholic Beverage License**

January 2, 2024

7:00 p.m.

**1) Call to Order**

Chairman Davenport called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman James Davenport, Vice Chairman Ernest Jenkins, Commissioners Gail Hubbard, Samuel Johnson and Lola Spann were in attendance as well as County Attorney Williams Mills, Administrator Ronald Dollar, Sheriff Locke Shivers, Superior Court Clerk Patricia Thornton, Tax Commissioner Bobbie Brown, Water System Superintendent Jamie Wilson, Public Works Director Johnny Crozier, Corner Raymond Crozier and Clerk Temonica Ealey.

**2) New Business**

a. Sheara Reed L**.**L**.C** Kings and Queens Arena - Alcoholic Beverage License Application

Chairman Davenport reviewed the public hearing procedure; comments in favor of and opposing the application would be heard and the decision rendered during the regular meeting.

Mr. Miguel ABreu spoke in favor of the application and provided the Board of Commissioners a petition with 40 to 50 names in favor of application, stating the intent is to open a Sports Bar with video games and pool tables. Commissioner Spann informed the Applicant the hours of operations. Commissioner Hubbard asked about the video games and age limit (21 and older). Sheriff Shivers informed applicant that Clay County is a dry county. Latorie Wesley spoke in favor of application.

Opposing the Application was Tony King due to property value decreasing, alcohol, gambling and crime increase. Sheriff Locke Shivers opposed due to gambling machines and stated that Lucky Coins machines don’t pay out cash winnings and would have to be paid with free pool table access and alcohol if application is approved. Sheriff Shivers also stated that more deputies would have to be hired to control the sports bar and that the alcohol serving sign wasn’t posted correctly according to the County Ordinance standers.

Sheara Reed spoke in favor of the application.

Denisha Foster spoke in favor of the application.

Kenyatta Wesley spoke in favor of application.

Nakyia Wesley spoke in favor of application.

**3) Adjourn**

There being no further business the public hearing adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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James Davenport, Chairman Date

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