

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION MINUTES – JULY 7, 2022
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA 30534
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 4:00 PM WORK SESSION**

ROLL CALL: Those present were Chairman Billy Thurmond; Commissioner Sharon Fausett, District 1; Commissioner Chris Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Tim Satterfield, District 3; Commissioner Emory Dooley, District 4; County Manager David Headley; County Attorney Angela Davis; County Clerk Kristen Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County.

OPENING PRESENTATION:

Proclamation Recognizing Big Canoe's 50th Anniversary

Chairman Thurmond read aloud a Proclamation Recognizing Big Canoe's 50th Anniversary.

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Proclamation Recognizing Big Canoe's 50th Anniversary. Fausett/Gaines

INVOCATION: Chairman Thurmond

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Thurmond

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the Minutes of the Work Session held on June 16, 2022. Satterfield/Dooley

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the Minutes of the Voting Session held on June 16, 2022. Fausett/Gaines

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Addition of Nos. 6-8 under New Business:
 - Artificial Turf Fields for Parks & Recreation
 - Request to Increase Pay Per Call for Volunteer Firefighters
 - Review and Update to Zoning Ordinances and a Review and Update to the Impact Fee Study / Resolution Enacting an Emergency Moratorium on Acceptance of Applications for Rezoning

Gaines/Fausett

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ZONING:

ZA 22-09 - Continental 673 Fund LLC requests to rezone TMP 114-020 from CHB (Commercial Highway Business) to RMF (Residential Multi-Family) for the purposes of developing 113 units of multi-family residences (Dawson Village Way South / Beartooth Parkway). (Tabled from the June 16, 2022, Voting Session, at which time a public hearing was held.)

Gwyn Wheeler, senior development director for Continental Properties, made a presentation and addressed questions asked at the June 16, 2022, Board of Commissioners meeting. The owner of the subject property, Jetash Gangwal, also addressed the board.

Motion passed 3-1 to deny ZA 22-09. Dooley/Gaines- Commissioner Satterfield opposed the motion

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Consideration of Request for Title and Grade Change for Planning & Development Administrative Assistant (Tabled from the June 16, 2022, Voting Session)

Consideration of Request for Title and Grade Change for Planning & Development Business License Technician (Tabled from the June 16, 2022, Voting Session)

Consideration of Request for Title and Grade Change for Planning & Development Zoning Specialist (Tabled from the June 16, 2022, Voting Session as part of Planning & Development items)

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the Requests for Title and Grade Changes for Planning & Development's Administrative Assistant, Business License Technician, and Zoning Specialist. Dooley/Satterfield

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of Request to Approve and Fund Indigent Defense Invoicing Module

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request to Approve and Fund an Indigent Defense Invoicing Module for a one-time cost of \$8,000. Money will come from General Fund's fund balance. Satterfield/Gaines

Consideration of Request to Approve Additional Funding for Training for Treatment Services Employees

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request to Approve \$1,790 in Additional Funding for Training for Treatment Services Employees. Money will come from General Fund's fund balance Fausett/Satterfield

Consideration of Radio System Upgrade Project for Dawson County

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Radio System Upgrade Project for Dawson County; to allow staff to proceed in securing a RFP for the 7/800 MHz radio system. Gaines/Dooley

Consideration of Request to Release a Design-Build RFP for an Emergency 9-1-1 / Emergency Operations Center Building

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request to Release a Design-Build RFP for an Emergency 9-1-1 / Emergency Operations Center Building. Satterfield/Dooley

Consideration of Request for Funding to Purchase ESO Fire Reporting Software

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request for Funding to Purchase ESO Fire Reporting Software; \$22,202.68 will come from General Fund's fund balance. Fausett/Dooley

Consideration of Artificial Turf Fields for Parks & Recreation

Motion passed 4-0 to approve Artificial Turf Fields for Parks & Recreation; to approve a design-build of the ADA-compliant rubber turf for field No. 9 at Rock Creek Park and for artificial turf for the football and multi-purpose fields at Veterans Memorial Park, not to exceed \$2.5 million in impact fee funds. Satterfield/Fausett

Consideration of Request to Increase Pay Per Call for Volunteer Firefighters

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request to Increase the Pay Per Call for Volunteer Firefighters from \$12.83 to \$16 per hour and to approve \$3-per-hour increase for current volunteer firefighters who already earn \$16 per hour – and to make the increase retroactive to July 1, 2022. Dooley/Gaines

Consideration of Review and Update to Zoning Ordinances and a Review and Update to the Impact Fee Study / Resolution Enacting an Emergency Moratorium on Acceptance of Applications for Rezoning

Chairman Thurmond read aloud a Resolution Enacting an Emergency Moratorium on Acceptance of Applications for Rezoning.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gaines and seconded by Commissioner Fausett to approve a Resolution Enacting an Emergency Moratorium (until August 5, 2022) on Acceptance of Applications for Rezoning to the Residential Land Use Districts Identified in Article III and the Mixed-Use Village Use District of the Dawson County Land Use Resolution.

Motion was amended by Commissioner Dooley and seconded by Commissioner Satterfield to call for a public hearing on August 4, 2022, concerning a possible extension the Emergency Moratorium on Acceptance of Applications for Rezoning to the Residential Land Use Districts Identified in Article III and the Mixed-Use Village Use District of the Dawson County Land Use Resolution.

The amended motion passed 4-0.

The original motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion passed 4-0 to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Fausett/Gaines

Motion passed 4-0 to come out of Executive Session. Gaines/Fausett

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk