

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
VOTING SESSION MINUTES – DECEMBER 3, 2015  
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM  
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE  
6:00PM**

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**ROLL CALL:** Those present were Chairman Berg; Commissioner Swafford, District 2; Commissioner Hamby, District 3; Commissioner Nix, District 4; County Attorney Homans; County Clerk Yarbrough and interested citizens of Dawson County. Commissioner Fausett was not present.

**OPENING PRESENTATION:** Presentation of Appreciation for Emergency Services Director Billy Thurmond

**INVOCATION:** Chairman Berg

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Berg

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Chairman Berg recognized the Leadership Academy participants that were present in the audience.

Commissioner Swafford announced that Bethel Baptist Church would be having a live nativity from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. next Friday and Saturday.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion passed unanimously to approve the minutes from the Voting Session held on November 19, 2015 as written. Nix/Hamby

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda with the following addition to Unfinished Business:

- Approval of Emergency Purchase of Fire Truck to replace fire truck damaged in collision in the amount of \$380,178.00. Item had been previously ratified November 5, 2015 but no purchase amount specified.

Nix/Swafford

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**ALCOHOL LICENSE HEARING:**

None

**ZONING:**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Resolution to transmit a draft Capital Improvements Element Annual Update to the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission for regional review pursuant to the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 and Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements (1<sup>st</sup> of 1 hearing)

Chairman Berg opened the hearing and asked if there was anyone present who wished to be heard on the matter of the Capital Improvements Element Annual Update Resolution, and hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion passed unanimously to approve the resolution to transmit a draft Capital Improvements Element Annual Update to the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission. Swafford/Hamby

2. Road Abandonment – Portions of Gordon Moss Road – To accommodate relocation of Gordon Moss Road (1<sup>st</sup> of 1 hearing)

Chairman Berg opened the hearing and asked if there was anyone present who wished to be heard on the matter of the Portions of Gordon Moss Road Abandonment.

The following spoke in favor:

Dana Miles, representing Jim Norton with Highland One

Charlie Auvermann, Director, Development Authority of Dawson County, 135 Prominence Court, Suite 170, Dawsonville, Georgia

Hugh Stowers, Jr., 800 Hugh Stowers Road, Dawsonville, Georgia

Chairman Berg asked if there was anyone else wishing to speak on the road abandonment, and hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion passed unanimously to approve the abandonment of the recommended portions of Gordon Moss Road. Swafford/Hamby

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Approval for emergency purchase of fire truck to replace fire truck damaged in collision in the amount of \$380,178.00

Motion passed unanimously to approve the cost of \$380,178.00 for an emergency purchase of a fire truck to replace fire truck damaged in collision. Nix/Hamby

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Consideration of FY 2016 IGA with Hall County for Public Defender Services

Motion passed unanimously to approve the FY 2016 Intergovernmental Agreement with Hall County for Public Defender Services. Hamby/Nix

Consideration of FY 2016 State Public Defender Contract

Motion passed unanimously to approve the FY 2016 State Public Defender Contract. Nix/Swafford

Consideration of Sheriff's Office Budget Transfer Request

Motion passed unanimously to move \$39,417.00 from Capital Projects into the Sheriff's Office General Fund. Nix/Hamby

Consideration of ACCG Workers' Compensation Resolution

Motion passed unanimously to approve the ACCG Workers' Compensation Resolution. Swafford/Hamby

Consideration of Recreational Trails Program Grant Application and Intergovernmental Agreement with the Board of Education

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Recreational Trails Grant Application and Intergovernmental Agreement with the Board of Education with Article III removed. Hamby/Swafford

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Hugh Stowers, Jr.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

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Mike Berg, Chairman

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Danielle Yarbrough, County Clerk