

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION MINUTES – THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024
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 Seth Stowers, District 1; Commissioner Chris Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Alexa Bruce, District 3 (via teleconference); Commissioner Emory Dooley, District 4; County Manager Joey Leverette; County Attorney Angela Davis; County Clerk Kristen Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County.

OPENING PRESENTATION:

National Day of Prayer Proclamation

Chairman Thurmond read aloud a National Day of Prayer Proclamation.

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a National Day of Prayer Proclamation. Dooley/Gaines

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Thurmond

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the Minutes of the Work Session held on April 18, 2024.
Gaines/Stowers

Motion passed 4-0 to approve the Minutes of the Voting Session held on April 18, 2024.
Stowers/Gaines

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

- Addition of No. 5 under New Business:
 - Jarrard & Davis Waiver of Conflict Concerning Cherokee County and a Proposed Minor Subdivision that Includes Land in Both Dawson and Cherokee Counties

Stowers/Gaines

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of Tax Software Upgrade Needs and Funding Needs Related to Proposed Homestead Exemption Changes and Possible Future Special Ad Valorem Tax Districts to Fund Capital (Roadway) Improvement Projects

Motion passed 4-0 to approve Tax Software Upgrade Needs and Funding Needs Related to Proposed Homestead Exemption Changes and Possible Future Special Ad Valorem Tax Districts to Fund Capital (Roadway) Improvement Projects; \$30,352 will come from General Fund's fund balance. Gaines/Dooley

Consideration of Board Authorization to Enter into Agreement for the Mutual Exchange of Real Property and to Acquire Driveway Easements and Temporary Construction Easements from Bethel Baptist Church of Dawson County Inc., Tax Parcel No: 080-022 (Project Parcels 1, 2 and 3) for Dawson County P.I. # 0120048- Right of Way of Proposed State Route 136 at Shoal Creek Road

Motion passed 4-0 to approve Entering into an Agreement for the Mutual Exchange of Real Property and to Acquire Driveway Easements and Temporary Construction Easements in the Amount of \$1,500 from Bethel Baptist Church of Dawson County Inc., Tax Parcel No: 080-022 (Project Parcels 1, 2 and 3) for Dawson County P.I. # 0120048- Right of Way of Proposed State Route 136 at Shoal Creek Road; \$1,500 will come from Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax VI funds. Dooley/Stowers

Consideration of Request for Fuel Center Updates

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Request for Fuel Center Updates - to allow MECO of Atlanta Inc. to perform the updates in the amount of \$75,786, which will come from General Fund's fund balance, and to waive the requirement to bid the project. Stowers/Bruce

Consideration of Agreement Between Dawson County and Georgia Mountains Regional Commission for Services Associated with the Preparation and Submittal of a Community Development Block Grant for a Health Department

Motion passed 4-0 to approve an Agreement Between Dawson County and Georgia Mountains Regional Commission for Services Associated with the Preparation and Submittal of a Community Development Block Grant for a Health Department; \$1,000 will come from Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax VII funds. Dooley/Stowers

Consideration of a Jarrard & Davis Waiver of Conflict Concerning Cherokee County and a Proposed Minor Subdivision that Includes Land in Both Dawson and Cherokee Counties

Motion passed 4-0 to approve a Jarrard & Davis Waiver of Conflict Concerning Cherokee County and a Proposed Minor Subdivision that Includes Land in Both Dawson and Cherokee Counties. Dooley/Gaines

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion passed 4-0 to enter into Executive Session to discuss litigation. Stowers/Gaines

Motion passed 3-0 to come out of Executive Session. Dooley/Gaines

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk