

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES – THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023  
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM  
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA 30534  
4:00 PM**

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*Those present were Chairman Billy Thurmond; Commissioner Seth Stowers, District 1; Commissioner Chris Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Emory Dooley, District 4; Interim County Manager Vickie Neikirk; County Attorney Angela Davis; County Clerk Kristen Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County. District 3 Commissioner Alexa Bruce was not present.*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Discussion of Vape Ordinance Review- County Attorney Angela Davis (*Last discussed at the March 2, 2023, Work Session*)  
***This item will be placed on a future Work Session Agenda for discussion.***
2. Discussion of the Future Site for the Emergency 9-1-1 / Emergency Operations Center Building- Jim King on behalf of Jericho Design Group (*Last Discussed at the March 2, 2023, Work Session*)  
***Jim King on behalf of Jericho Design Group was not present, and this item will be placed on the April 20, 2023, Work Session Agenda.***

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Presentation of Updated Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding with Fort Benning, Georgia- Emergency Services Director Troy Leist  
***This item, presented by Interim County Manager/Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk, will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.***
2. Presentation of Request to Donate Surplus Equipment to the Country of Peru Fire Service- Emergency Services Director Troy Leist  
***This item, presented by Interim County Manager/Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk, will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.***
3. Presentation of Request to Accept Donation of Home Depot Foundation Grant for Fire Station 1 Administration Remodel Project- Emergency Services Director Troy Leist  
***This item, presented by Interim County Manager/Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk, will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.***
4. Presentation of Request for Approval to Proceed with Soliciting Bids for Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax-Funded Road and Culvert Replacement Project- Public Works Director Robert Drewry  
***This item will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.***

5. Presentation of Request for the Donation of Required Right of Way and Permanent Easement Area to the Georgia Department of Transportation for Its Shoal Creek Road Bridge Replacement Project- Public Works Director Robert Drewry  
*This item will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.*
6. Presentation of Comprehensive Plan Update - Transportation Element- Planning & Development Director Sharon Farrell  
*This item will be added to the April 6, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.*
7. Presentation of Request for Additional Full-Time Human Resources Specialist- Human Resources Director Kristi Finley  
*This item will be placed on the April 20, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.*
8. Presentation of Board Appointment:
  - a. **EMS Advisory Council**
    - i. Bridget Rigby- *replacing Don Patterson* (Term: Through June 2024)  
*This item will be placed on the April 20, 2023, Voting Session Agenda.*
9. County Manager Report  
*This item was for information only.*
10. County Attorney Report  
*County Attorney Davis had no information to report and requested an Executive Session.*

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

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Billy Thurmond, Chairman

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Kristen Cloud, County Clerk