

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

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

1. 2023 Millage Rate and Property Tax (*1st of 3 hearings; 2nd hearing will be held at 4 p.m. July 20, 2023, and 3rd hearing will be held at 6 p.m. August 3, 2023*)

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Presentation of Board Appointment:
  - a. **Long Range Planning Committee**
    - i. Mya Thomae- *replacing Hugh Stowers*
2. County Manager Report
3. County Attorney Report

***\*A Voting Session meeting will immediately follow the Work Session meeting.***

*Those with disabilities who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting, should contact the ADA Coordinator at 706-344-3666, extension 44514. The county will make reasonable accommodations for those persons.*

## **NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

The **Dawson County Board of Commissioners** has tentatively adopted a 2023 millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by **14.51** percent.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearing on this tax increase to be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Dawson County Courthouse/Administration Building located at 25 Justice Way, Dawsonville, Georgia on **August 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm.**

Times and places of additional public hearings on this tax increase will be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Dawson County Courthouse/Administration Building located at 25 Justice Way, Dawsonville, Georgia on **July 6, 2023 at 4:00 pm and July 20, 2023 at 4:00 pm.**

The tentative increase will result in a millage rate of **6.4103 mills**, an increase of **0.8123 mills**. Without this tentative tax increase, the millage rate will be no more than **5.5980 mills**. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of **\$500,000** is approximately **\$162.46** and the proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of **\$375,000** is approximately **\$121.85**.

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**PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCING PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF MILLAGE RATE FOR 2023**

The Dawson County Board of Commissioners today announces its intention to increase the 2023 property taxes it will levy this year by 14.51% over the rollback millage rate.

*Each year, the Board of Tax Assessors is required to review the assessed value for property tax purposes of taxable property in the County. When the trend of prices on properties that have recently sold in the County indicate there has been an increase in the fair market value of any specific property, the Board of Tax Assessors is required by law to re-determine the value of such property and adjust the assessment.*

*This is called a reassessment.*

When the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires a rollback millage rate must be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year’s digest that last year’s millage rate would have produced had no reassessments occurred.

The budget tentatively adopted by the Dawson County Board of Commissioners requires a millage rate higher than the rollback rate; therefore, before the Dawson County Board of Commissioners may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia law requires three public hearings to be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on the increase.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearings on this tax increase to be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Dawson County Courthouse/Administration Building located at 25 Justice Way, Dawsonville, Georgia at the following times:

- 1<sup>st</sup>. Public Hearing: Thursday, July 6, 2023 4:00 p.m.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Public Hearing: Thursday, July 20, 2023 4:00 p.m.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Public Hearing: Thursday, August 3, 2023 6:00 p.m.
- Millage adoption: Thursday, August 3, 2023 6:00 p.m. (following 3<sup>rd</sup> public hearing)



## DAWSON COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENT AND ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST

<b>Submitting Department:</b>	BOC	<b>Department contact name:</b>	Kristen Cloud
<b>Submittal Date:</b>	06/15/2023	<b>Run Dates:</b>	06.28.23, 07.12.23 and 07.26.23
<b>AD Description :</b>	Notice of BOC Meeting Time Change	<b>Section of Paper:</b>	Legals and Display
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### NOTICE OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING TIME CHANGE

The Dawson County Board of Commissioners (BOC) Voting Session meeting on Thursday, August 3, 2023, will begin at 6 p.m. rather than immediately following the BOC Work Session. This one-time meeting time change is due to a public hearing concerning the 2023 Millage Rate and Property Tax that must be held between 6 and 7 p.m.

The August 3, 2023, BOC Work Session will begin at 4 p.m. as normal. If time allows, an Executive Session (if needed) will be held between the Work and Voting Sessions.

BOC meetings are held in the Assembly Room, located on the second floor of the Dawson County Government Center, 25 Justice Way, Dawsonville, GA 30534.

The public is invited to attend.

**Department Head Approval:**

**Mya Thomae**  
Regulatory Advisor

Dawsonville, GA 30534

**Regulatory Advisor**

June 2017 to Present

I am an independent regulatory and business advisor to medical device and pharmaceutical companies. My speciality is regulation of in vitro diagnostic tests as stand-alone products, companion diagnostics and critical components of therapeutic manufacturing systems.

**Advisor, Illumina Accelerator**

2015 to Present

**Advisor, NextGenJane**

2016 to Present

**Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) Member, BioScrib Genomics**

August 2022 to Present

**Pollworker, Dawsonville, Georgia**

June, 2022 to Present

**Member of the Board of Directors at Transgenomic**

June 2015 to July 2017

**VP, Regulatory Clinical and Medical Affairs at Illumina, Inc.**

July 2014 - June, 2017

**Founder and CEO of Myraqa, Inc.**

January 2008 - July 2014

Myraqa was a boutique regulatory consulting firm focused on in vitro diagnostic (IVDs) and companion diagnostic products. Myraqa offered in-depth advice on development, regulatory and clinical validation of IVDs. Myraqa was acquired by Illumina in July, 2014. Beginning July, 2014 I led Illumina's regulatory, clinical and medical affairs groups along with continuing to serve clients until September 2016 under the Myraqa brand.

**Independent Regulatory Consultant**

1997 - 2007

Provided regulatory advice to client companies in the area of in vitro diagnostics.

**Mya Thomae**  
Regulatory Advisor  
Dawsonville, GA 30534

**Board Member, Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU), Institutional Review Board (IRB)**

1997 - 2007

Served on a weekly board for research protocols being performed at OHSU.

**Regulatory Affairs Manager at Chiron Corporation**

1996-1997

**Regulatory Affairs Manager at Epitope**

1992 - 1995 (began at Epitope as Regulatory Specialist; promoted to manager)

Education:

University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Bachelor of Music, Cello Performance; 1985-1989

Submission Experience:

Many submissions to FDA and other regulatory agencies worldwide. These submissions have included many PMA and de novo 510(k) novel diagnostic devices including products for microbiology, oncology, companion diagnostic, cardiac care and arthritis.

**Speaking and Papers:**

Numerous speaking presentations including working closely with AstraZenca for a discussion on personalized medicine:

<https://pharmaphorum.com/views-and-analysis/oncology-shaping-the-future-of-personalised-healthcare-media-hub/>

Also have worked closely with Friends of Cancer Research on their BluePrint Program:  
<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=kwe6axbab&oeidk=a07eedhxtmg66f48ff>