

NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
1124 Clark Street
Covington, Georgia
Regular Meeting
Agenda
September 5, 2023

Thought for the day...Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having except as a result of hard work.

...Booker T. Washington

7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Marcello Banes
2. Invocation:
3. Pledge of Allegiance:
4. Agenda Adoption
5. Citizen Comments (agenda items only)
6. Chairman's Report:
7. County Managers Report:
8. Old Business - None
9. Consent Agenda
 - a. Resource Court (Superior Court): Requesting approval for grant-funded contractor agreement to provide treatment services to Resource (Mental Health) Court participants – FY2324
Cost: No additional cost to county. Paid through grant funding.
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 - b. Juvenile Services: Requesting approval of Professional Service Contract with Tyler Carey (Dependency Court-appointed attorney) and Tamil Wells Thomas (Family Treatment Court Guardian ad Litem)
Cost: \$42,500.00
Funding: Juvenile Court Annual Budget
Budgeted: Yes
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 - c. Fire Services: Requesting approval to apply for Facebook Community Action grant.
Presenter: Chief Mike Conner
Grant Amount: \$7,500
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 - d. Fire Services: Requesting approval to apply for CSX Pride in Service grant.
Presenter: Chief Mike Conner
Grant Amount: \$20,000
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- e. Fire Services: Requesting approval to apply for FY2023 Local First Responders State Microgrant Program.
Presenter: Chief Mike Conner
Grant Amount: \$8,500
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- f. Fire Services: Seeking approval of ERS Incident Software.
Time Sensitive: Yes
Cost: No cost for one (1) year
Budgeted: Yes
Match: No
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- g. County Clerk: BOC Minutes dated March 28, 2023, Work Session Minutes dated March 30, 2023, Regular Mtg. Minutes dated August 15, 2023, Public Hearing Minutes dated August 21, 2023 & August 28, 2023, Special Called Meeting dated August 28, 2023
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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

- 10. BOC: District Three Commissioner appealing the denial for county funding for travel to the National Organization of Black County Officials.
- 11. Public Works: Requesting BOC to authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with Georgia 811 for the County to provide utility location services for all County owned traffic signals.
Presenter: Chester Clegg, Director
Contract Amount: \$200.00 Annual Fee
Funding Source: General Fund
Budgeted: Yes
Match: No
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- 12. Public Works: Requesting approval by BOC to contract with NOVA Engineering & Environmental, LLC to provide Materials testing and Inspection services for Access Road @ I-20 from West of Crowell Road and East of Harold Dobbs Road project. (PI#0015095)
Presenter: Chester Clegg, Director
Contract Amount: \$19,655.00
Funding Source: SPLOST (100%)
Budgeted: Yes
Match: No
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13. Public Works: Requesting BOC to authorize the Chairman to execute a supplemental agreement with GDOT for CR511/Brown Bridge Road over Yellow River Bridge Replacement Project. (PI#0015096)
 Presenter: Chester Clegg, Director
 Contract Amount: See attached executive summary
 Funding Source: 80% FHWA, 20% SPLOST
 Budgeted: Yes
 Match: Yes (20%)
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7:30 PM
ZONING/PUBLIC HEARING

Please Note: The applicant and those in favor of the petition are allowed ten-minutes to address the board. In addition, ten-minutes are allotted for those in opposition to the petition. This ten-minute allotment does not include a response to any questions raised by the commission members.

- SP 14. **CUP23-000003**
 Location: 350/360 Butler Bridge Road
 Map & Parcel Size: 003-1 & 002-40
 FLUM: AF (Agricultural Forestry)
 Zoning: A (Agricultural)
 Acreage: 315.29 & 2.90
 Request: To allow the church to operate a recreational, youth camp on approximately 321.31 acres at 350 & 360.
 Planning Commission: Recommended approval to (5/0)
 District Two
- SP 15. **REZ23-000008**
 Location: Hwy 81/Hwy 212
 Map & Parcel Number: 0019-013A
 FLUM: COM & PRC
 Zoning: CN (Neighborhood Commercial) A-R (Agricultural Residential)
 Applicant's Intent: To rezone the parcel from CN Neighborhood Commercial) A-R (Agricultural Residential) to CG (General Commercial)
 Acreage: 16.44
 Request: To rezone the parcel from CN (Neighborhood Commercial) A-R (Agricultural Residential)
 Planning Commission: Recommended approval (5/0)
 District One

- SP 16. **FLU23-000006**
 Location: 43 Dry Pond Road
 Map & Parcel Number: 51-18D
 FLUM: RR (Rural Residential)
 Proposed FLUM: COM (Commercial)
 Zoning: Agricultural Residential
 Acreage: 17.57 approx.
 Request: To amend the FLUM to COM in order to rezone it to commercial for a mini warehouse.
 Planning Commission motion to approve failed (4/1)
 District 1
- SP 17. **REZ23-000013**
 Location: 2601 Access Road
 Map & Parcel Number: 0025-028
 FLUM: DN, PRC
 Zoning: R-3 (Single-Family Residential)
 Acreage: 24
 Request: To rezone the parcel from R-2 (Single-Family Residential) to M-1 (Light Industrial)
 Planning Commission: Recommended denial (5/0)
 District Three
- SP 18. **CUP23-000006**
 Location: 3988 Salem Road
 Map & Parcel Number: 0013-057
 FLUM: DN (Development Node)
 Zoning: R2 (Single Family Residential)
 Acreage: 1.57
 Request: To obtain a CUP to locate a driving school.
 Planning Commission: Recommended approval (5/0)
 District Two
- SP 19. **CUP-23000008**
 Location: 2094 Hwy 81
 Map & Parcel Number: 0045 060 & 0045 049A
 FLUM: PUB (Public Institution)
 Zoning: R3 (Single Family Residential)
 Proposed FLUM: COM (Commercial)
 Acreage: 2.5 ac & 1 ac
 Request: To locate a special events facility
 Planning Commission: Recommended approval (5/0)
 District Two

- SP 20. **APP23-000004**
Location: 57 Taunton Road
Map & Parcel Number: 64B-010
Zoning: R-3 (Single-Family Residential)
Size of Property: 0.4 acres
Request: To appeal the BZA decision which denied the request to allow an existing home less than 1800 sf to remain.
BZA denied (2/2) with chairman breaking the tie in favor of denial.
District Four
21. Citizen Comments (topic of choice)
22. Commissioner Comments
23. Executive Session (if needed)
24. Adjourn