



Newton County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Agenda
7:00 p.m.
Historic Courthouse-1124 Clark Street
Covington, Georgia 30014
March 21,

2023

Thought for the day“What you do has far greater impact than what you say .”
~Stephen Covey ~

1. **Call to Order** : Chairman Banes
2. **Invocation** : Senior Pastor of St. Paul A.M.E Church, Reverend Dr. Lewis E. Logan,
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3. **Pledge**
4. **Adoption of the Agenda**
5. **Citizen Comments**
6. **Reports from Chairman Banes**
Presentation - Louly Hay-Kapp, Covington Family YMCA, Executive Director
7. **Unfinished Business (None to discuss)**
8. **Consent Agenda**
 - a) Approval of the Minutes: March 7, 2023 Work Session 6:00 p.m./Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
 - b) Newton County Sheriff’s Office is requesting approval to accept the 2021 GEMA (Georgia Emergency Management & Homeland Security K-9 supplement grant.
Grant amount: \$6,500.00.
Time Sensitive/Deadline requirement: Yes Date: April 3, 2023/Budgeted: Yes/Match: No
Funding Source: GEMA (100% grant funded).
 - c) Fire Services is requesting approval to apply for a \$300,000.00 grant through Congressman Mike Collins office. The grant is Congressionally directed spending and the funds will be used to purchase equipment for three new apparatus. Grant amount: \$300,000.00.
Time Sensitive/Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: March 22, 2023/Budgeted: N/A/Match: No
 - d) Public Works is requesting approval to contract with Snapping Shoals EMC for the installation of a safety light at the intersection of Jack Neely and Brown Bridge Roads.
Time Sensitive/Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: March 21, 2023/Budgeted: Yes/Match: No
Funding Source: General Fund Cost: \$24.40 (monthly)

Items for Board Discussion & Consideration

9. The City of Covington is requesting approval to improve and upgrade the basketball courts at the

Washington Street Community Center. ***No cost to Newton County**

Cost: \$140,000.00- Approved by Covington City Council.

Presenter: Randy Conner, Special Projects Coordinator City of Covington

10. Senior Services is requesting approval of the SFY 2023 American Rescue Plan (ARPA)

Contract with Northeast Georgia Regional Commission to accept funding for services.

Contract period is January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 in the amount of

\$137,364.45 for Telephone Reassurance, Home Delivered and Congregate meals.

Time Sensitive/Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: ASAP/Funding Source: NEGR AAA

Budgeted: No/Match: Yes \$8,767.94 (County)

Presenter: Freda Reed, Director of Senior Services

11. Piedmont Newton Hospital is requesting approval of ARPA Funds.

Presenter: Dr. Norris Little, Jr., Chief Medical Officer/Interim CEO, Piedmont Newton

12. Parks & Recreation Department/Purchasing is requesting approval of Sunbelt Builders contract

for construction of Spring Hill Park. Cost: \$5,119,365.00.

Time Sensitive/Deadline Requirement: No/ Funding Source: SPLOST/Budgeted: No

Presenter: Jeff Prine, Project Manager

13. Finance/Parks & Recreation Department is requesting to increase the Springhill Park SPLOST

Project Budget to \$4,500,000.00. **Needed Increase : \$2,500,000.00**

Time Sensitive /Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: March 21, 2023.

Funding Source: SPLOST 2017 Overage Collections/Budgeted: No/Match: No

Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director/Jeff Prine Project Manager

14. Finance Department - February 2023 Financial Update

Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director

15. Request to opt-in to the national opioids settlements. **Time Sensitive**

The participation form needs to be executed by April 18, 2023 .

Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director, County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter

16. Finance Department/County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter is requesting approval of Resolution

R0321223 - SPLOST 2023 General Obligation Sales Tax Bond.

A Resolution for the issuance of a \$24,200,000.00 of General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds, Series

2023. **Time Sensitive /Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: March 21, 2023 .**

Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director

17. Finance Department/County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter is requesting approval of Resolution

R032123a to create an investment account for the Georgia Fund 1 for the 2023

SPLOST to

Authorize Investment and Designate Representatives.

Time Sensitive /Deadline Requirement: Yes Date: March 21, 2023.

Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director

7:30 P.M. Public Zoning Hearings

* All cases listed below are for the Public Zoning Hearing.

*10 minutes allowed for individuals to speak in favor and/in opposition of each petition.

Presenter: Shena Applewhite, Director of Development Services

(1) Future Land Use Amendment- FLU23-00001

Location: 6580 Hwy 212

Applicant: Michael M. Allen

Map & Parcel Number: 126-15

FLUM: Parent parcel RES/ PRC- (Residential/ Parks, Recreational, Conservation)

Zoning: AR (Agricultural/Residential)

Acreage: Total Acres 34.41 (amending FLUM for 2.10 acres)

District: 2 (Two)

Request: To designate the Future Land Use of 2.10 acres from the parent parcel (34.41 acres) to COM (Commercial) in order to seek a rezoning of the property for neighborhood commercial use .

(2) Future Land Use Amendment - FLU23-00002

Location: Poplar Hill Road

Applicant- Charles Wiggins

Map & Parcel Number: 0118 040C

FLUM: AF (Agricultural Forestry)

Zoning: A (Agricultural)

Acreage: Total Acres 20.99 District: 1 (One)

Request: Designate the Future Land Use of 20.99 acres to Rural Residential in order to seek a rezoning of the property for a family estate residential use .

(3) Conditional Use Permit - CUP23-000001

Location: 92 Moores Farm Road (Little Springs Farm, Bldg. # 89)

Applicant: Angela Shockey

Map & Parcel Number: 0068- 006

FLUM: RES/AF/PRC

Zoning: A (Agricultural) /AR (Agricultural Residential)

Acreage: 2586.97 acres

District: 1 (One)

Request: To convert an existing home (#89) on Little Springs Farm into a Special events

facility for a conference and learning center with meeting and gathering spaces.

(4) Conditional Use Permit - CUP23-000002

Location: 90 Chamisa Road
Applicant: John Kale Waddleton
Map & Parcel Number: 0024 077E
FLUM: Development Node
Zoning: M1 (Light Industrial), Almon Overlay -Tier 2
Acreage: 2.23 Acres
District: 3 (Three)

Request: To establish an auto sales business for Antique/ Classic Cars in the Almon Overlay District, Tier 2 .

(5) **Appeal - APP23-000001**

Staff is requesting to table case until April 4th BOC meeting to gather more data and re-advertise.

Location: 65 Papas Talk
Applicant: Jared Roundy
Map & Parcel Number: 124-95
FLUM: RR (Rural Residential)
Zoning: AR (Agricultural Residential)
Acreage: 4.88 ac
District: 1 (One)

Request: To subdivide the parent parcel in an existing subdivision .

(6) **Street Light Petition**

Development Services is requesting approval of Resolution R032123b. A Resolution of the Newton County Board of Commissioners to create street lighting district for Alcovy Crossing Subdivision for 12 street lights.

Alcohol Beverage License

18. **Final Reading**

Wadhvaniya USA LLC
3633 Salem Road
Covington, GA 30016
Licensee: Sahil Wadhvaniya
District 2

19. **Citizen Comments**

20. **Board Comments**

21. **Executive Session** (If needed)

22. **Adjourn**