



Newton County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting Agenda  
7:00 p.m.  
Historic Courthouse-1124 Clark Street  
Covington, Georgia 30014  
May 16, 2023

Thought for the day....“ The content of your character is your choice. Day by day, what you choose, what you think, and what you do is who you become.”

~Unknown~

1. **Call to Order: Chairman Banes**
2. **Invocation: Pastor William H. Gaither, New Growth Baptist Church**
3. **Pledge**
4. **Adoption of the Agenda**
5. **Citizen Comments Agenda topics only**
6. **Reports from Chairman Banes**
7. **Reports from the County Manager**
8. **Unfinished Business**
9. **Consent Agenda**

- a) Approval of the Minutes-May 2,2023 Regular Meeting
- b) Newton County Sheriff's Office – Requests to apply for Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program grant to purchase ballistic vest for deputies. The grant will reimburse ½ the cost of vests.  
Deadline Requirement: June 23, 2023/Funding Source: Bureau of Justice Assistance
- c) Newton County Juvenile Court is requesting permission to apply for FY'23 Enhancing Family Treatment Court grant (OJJDP) Deadline Requirement: June 1, 2023  
Cost: \$850,000.00 for 36 months (funds to be released October 1, 2023  
Funding Source: OJJDP/Budgeted: No/Match: 25%

**Items for Discussion & Consideration**

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10. Request to approve Relief of Property Tax Penalties & Fees for Renee Ranney  
***Presenter: Marc Jordan, Newton County Tax Commissioner***
11. FFA/Purchasing is requesting approval of the Steelco Builders contract to construct a Horse Pole Barn @ the FFA Camp. Time Sensitive/Deadline Requirement: No  
Cost: \$499,800.00/Funding Source: State Grant/Budgeted: Yes/Match: No  
***Presenter: Nelson McCracken***
12. April 2023 Financial Update-***Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director***
13. iParametrics/BOC/Purchasing is requesting approval of Amendment 1 to the agreement for American Rescue Plan Act Consulting Services Contract of iParametrics, LLC.  
Cost: \$420,000.00/**Total contract not to exceed: \$840,000.00. Funding Source: ARPA**  
Budgeted: Yes/Match: No  
***Presenter: Ms. Kennedy Shannon, iParametrics, LLC***
14. Public Works is requesting approval of a change order, Amendment #1 for Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc. Professional Services Agreement for the Yellow River Trail System Easement Appraisals. Deadline Requirement: May 16, 2023  
Cost: \$72,300.00/Funding Source: 2017 SPLOST (100%)/Budgeted: Yes/Match: No  
***Presenter: Chester Clegg, Transportation Director***

15. Public Works is requesting approval to contract with Peach State Construction Company, LLC. for the replacement of a culvert @ 630 River Cove Road. Deadline Requirement: May 16, 2023  
Cost: \$99,450.00/Funding Source: 2017 SPLOST (100%)/Budgeted: Yes/Match: No

***Presenter: Chester Clegg, Transportation Director***

16. Public Works is requesting approval to contract with Summit Construction & Development, LLC. for the construction of the Access Road @ I-20 from east of Crowell Road and to west of Harold Dobbs Road. Realignment & Intersection Improvement Project #PI 0015095.

Deadline Requirement: May 16, 2023. Cost: \$7,540,672.64

Funding Source: Construction to be funded with FHWA (80%) & 20% 2017 SPLOST.

***Presenter: Chester Clegg, Transportation Director***

17. District 4 Commissioner J.C. Henderson is requesting support in seeking funding for development of trails from the City of Covington and joint funding with Newton County. Trails from Nelson Heights Community Center to Central Park, Walker Bend, Washington Street Community Center and possibly further. Budgeted: No

***Presenter: District 4 Commissioner J.C. Henderson/***

***Randy Conner, Special Projects Coordinator, City of Covington***

**7:30 P.M. ALL LISTED BELOW ARE FOR THE PUBLIC ZONING HEARING**

***Presenter: Shena Applewhaite, Director of Development Services***

**1. FLU23-000003 Future Land Use Amendment Case (FLUM)**

**Location: 2094 Hwy 81, Hwy 81**

**Applicant: Maria Alves**

**Map & Parcel Number: 0045 060 & 0045 049A**

**FLUM: PUB (Public Institution)**

**Proposed FLUM: COM (Commercial)**

**District: 4**

**Zoning: R3 (Single Family Residential)**

**Acreage of Property: 2.5ac & 1ac**

**Request: To amend the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) to Commercial in order to locate a special events facility.**

**2.UDOAMD23-001. O-05162023. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE NEWTON COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPEMNT ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 1 ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE 5, DIVISION 515; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR FURTHER PURPOSES.**

**3.Discussion/Consideration of approval of the Transmittal Resolution, R05162023, and report for the FY22 CIE/STWP to send to DCA for review and approval.**

18. **Citizen Comments**

19. **Board Comments**

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

21. **Adjourn**

