



**BALDWIN COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING**
September 20, 2022
1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220
6:00 PM

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Henry Craig
John Westmoreland
Kendrick Butts
Emily C. Davis
Sammy Hall

ALSO PRESENT

David McRee
Dawn Hudson
Carlos Tobar
Cindy Cunningham

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Henry Craig called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

County Manager Carlos Tobar gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Baldwin High School NJROTC presented the colors, and Commissioner Sammy Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman John Westmoreland made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2022 Regular Meeting and the September 6, 2022 Executive Session. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

Georgia Military College Update

Colonel Nelson Craft presented an update on Georgia Military College discussing the preparatory school consisting of grades K – 12, the junior college, degree programs, transfer / acceptance agreements, economic impact, main and satellite campuses, GMC leadership institute, athletic programs and other activities available to students.

Memorandum of Understanding with University of Georgia

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson presented a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Georgia for Extension Services. She stated the agreement is the same as previous years; however, since there is a new Coordinator an updated agreement must be executed.

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented. Vice Chairman John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grants

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson presented three Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Grants:

Adult Program – Federal funds in the amount of \$94,699 for the grant period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Dislocated Worker Program – Federal funds in the amount of \$138,308 for the grant period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Youth Program – Federal funds in the amount of \$527,990 for the grant period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Vice Chairman John Westmoreland made a motion to approve all three WIOA grants as presented and to authorize the Chairman to execute the documents. Commissioner Emily Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2022 Tax Digest and Five - Year History Update

Assistant County Manager Hudson presented an update on the 2022 Tax Digest and Five - Year History. She stated legal requirements have been met for publication of the digest. Ms. Hudson discussed the reassessment of real property, the rollback rate and how the tax rate is calculated. She stated the rollback rate is 9.93 mills and recommended the Board set the 2022 millage rate at the rollback rate of 9.93.

Economic and Demographic Information Provided by UGA

Chairman Craig gave a presentation on economic and demographic information for the County as provided by the University of Georgia.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chairman Westmoreland asked about the “double” road signs on Nelson & Meriwether Roads. He was informed this is part of a DOT program, and a contractor who is doing that work will complete the project according to DOT regulations. Mr. Westmoreland expressed his appreciation to the Public Works Department for the work they are doing on Old Plantation Trail.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Carlos Tobar presented an update on County projects to include various methods of initializing Code Enforcement action such as citizens' complaints, observations by Code Enforcement Staff, permit/approval/condition monitoring and reports by County staff. He also discussed CHIP grant community meetings for pre-applications; scheduling CPR training; zoning map status, and summaries of various grant applications and awards.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments to come before the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman John Westmoreland made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:56 p.m. to discuss personnel. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Emily Davis made a motion to reopen the Regular Meeting at 7:15 p.m.
Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Emily Davis made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:15 p.m.
Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry R. Craig
Chairman

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk