



COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Type: Council - Regular

Meeting Date: June 20, 2024

Agenda Item Type: New Business

Staff Contact: April Spradlin

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM:

Appointment of Alaina Granade as Solicitor for Tyrone Municipal Court

BACKGROUND:

Alaina is the Chief Assistant Solicitor for the Coweta County Solicitor-General's Office. She has been with the office since October of 2018. Alaina has 17 years of experience as an attorney with over a decade of that time dedicated to prosecution. She began her career as an Assistant District Attorney for the Griffin Judicial Circuit in the Spalding County DA's office prosecuting major crime felonies. She then went on to run the Criminal Justice Program as the Program Coordinator at Southern Crescent Technical College at the Griffin campus. In her role at the college, she taught all aspects of criminal justice including Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Report Writing, and she oversaw the internship program. In her current role she prosecutes misdemeanor offenses for the county. Alaina is one of the few prosecutors in the State of Georgia who has attended and completed the Drug Recognition Expert Training Course through the Georgia Public Safety Center. Her advanced level of training in this regard allows her to more fully understand and prosecute drug-impaired drivers, communicate effectively with officers making DUI cases, and explain to the jury the seriousness of drug impaired driving. In addition to her role as Chief Assistant, Alaina is the Chair of the Employee Advisory Committee for Coweta County. In this role, Alaina acts as a liaison between the county employees and administration. Alaina is a 2003 graduate, *magna cum laude*, of the Honors College at the University of Georgia with Bachelor's Degrees in Political Science and Sociology. She obtained her Juris Doctorate degree in 2007 from the University of Tennessee College of Law. When she is not at work, Alaina enjoys running, weight lifting, and UGA football. Alaina lives in Peachtree City with her husband, 3 sons, her dogs Ellie and Hank, and her cat RosaBelle.

FUNDING:

Tyrone Municipal Court Budget - 20-52-1202

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The town requires annual appointment for this position.

ATTACHMENTS:

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PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS:

On December 21, 2023, Isaac Godfrey was brought before council to be appointed Solicitor for 2024. However, due to medical reasons, Mr. Godfrey resigned on 06/12/2024.