

The Turner County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the monthly Work Session Meeting with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon present. Staff present were Cherysh Caldwell, County Manager, Latrice Wilson, County Clerk, and Brent Hyde, County Attorney. Others present were Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer, Robby Royal, EMS Director, Sheriff Andy Hester, Lynn Davis, Extension Coordinator, Sandra Spradley, Victoria Wilson, Mandi Cole, Ashley Miller, Chamber Director, Janet Winter, Elections Superintendent, Mayor Gary Walker, Dustin Beaty, Public Works Director, Craig Matthew, School Superintendent, Al Pott, Bruce Free, Tammy Pate, Jerry Lewis, Jim Lumpkin, Coroner, Clifford Jordan, Parks and Rec Director, and others.

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

Mr. Ben Baker gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Commissioner Denham seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adopt the agenda and add item number 8, discussed fuel for City of Ashburn and add item number 2 under Executive Session for Real Estate, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Commissioners presented a proclamation for National 4-H week.

Mr. Al Potts gave the annual Forestry report.

Mrs. Janet Winter, Elections Superintendent, gave an update on Elections activities.

Mr. Robby Royal, EMS Director, gave an update on EMS activities.

Commissioners discussed Resolution # 2023-10-01 to designate SGRC as the official to execute and file the 5311 Transit Application on behalf of the County.

Commissioners discussed Resolution # 2023-10-02 regarding tax levy for Turner County School District Bonds.

Commissioners discussed Resolution # 2023-10-03 for Mental Health Services for the citizens of Georgia.

Commissioners discussed bids for Janitorial Cleaning Services for Turner County.

Commissioners discussed quotes for a new tractor for Public Works.

Commissioners discussed board appointment for Turner County Board of Health.

Commissioners discussed Joint Applicant Letter of Agreement between Turner County Board of Education and Turner County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed allowing the City of Ashburn to get diesel from the Public Works Department.

County Manager Report: Mrs. Caldwell gave the board an update on August 2023 Financials and Departmental Statistics.

Public Comments: Ashley Miller, Chamber Director, gave an update on Chamber activities.

Motion by Commissioner Whiddon seconded by Commissioner Burgess to go into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss personnel and real estate, motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Whiddon seconded by Commissioner Weaver to end the Executive Session and return to the regular meeting at 7:22 p.m., motion passed with Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun, Denham, Weaver and Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Brad Calhoun, Chairman

Attest: _____

Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk