

Turner County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Turner County Agricultural Center for the monthly Work Session with Commissioners James Burgess, Joe E. Burgess, Brad Calhoun, Nick Denham and Dana L. Whiddon present. Staff present were Latrice Wilson, County Clerk and J. Edward Shipp, County Attorney. Others present were Ben Baker, Editor of the Wiregrass Farmer, Dustin Beaty, Bruce Burgess, Kirk Arch, Ashley Miller, Sami Mastrario, Robby Royal, Layton Fillion, Skip Hill, Julie Bullington, Johnny Duckworth, Regina Singletary, Janet Winter, Lynn Davis, Edyth Washington, Mayor Wayne Woodruff.

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

Mr. Ben Baker gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Commissioner Calhoun seconded by Commissioner Whiddon to add Fire Chief Bruce Burgess to the agenda and adopt as presented, motion passed with Commissioners James Burgess, Joe E. Burgess, Brad Calhoun, Nick Denham, and Dana L. Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Public Comments (concerning agenda items) None.

Mr. Kirk Arch, CPA with Mauldin & Jenkins, gave an update on the County's FY 2024 financial audit report.

Mr. Skip Hill, with Partners Benefit, gave an update on the County's insurance premium for upcoming renewal.

Commissioners discussed the weather siren for the City of Sycamore.

Commissioners discussed allowing Mr. Mike Walker to get utilities connected at the old hospital property for his peanut business.

Commissioners discussed fiber for Turner County.

Commissioners discussed the board appointment for Ms. Janet Winter as Election Supervisor/Chief Registrar.

Commissioners discussed resurfacing the road at the Road Department.

Chairman Comments: None

Public Comments: Commissioner Whiddon remained the board about the phone agreement and to look at it.

Motion by Commissioner Whiddon seconded by Commissioner Burgess to into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m. to discuss personnel and litigation with James Burgess, Joe E. Burgess, Brad Calhoun, Nick Denham, and Dana L. Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

Motion by Commissioner Whiddon seconded by Commissioner Calhoun to close the Executive Session at 7:24 p.m. and return to the regular portion of the meeting, motion passed James Burgess, Joe E. Burgess, Brad Calhoun, Nick Denham, and Dana L. Whiddon voting in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

James Burgess, Chairman

Attest: _____

Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk