



MURRAY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Minutes

Murray County Commissioner's Meeting November 5, 2024

The Sole Commissioner of Murray County, Greg Hogan, called the meeting to order promptly at 9:00A.M., November 5, 2024, in the Hearing Room of the Murray County Annex. In attendance were Greg Hogan, Sole Commissioner, Tommy Parker, County Manager, Jimmy Espy, The Chatsworth Times, Donna Hogan, Bill Hollander, Brigit Fale, Chris Thomas, Jim McCraney, Johanna Bingham, Terry Bingham, Edward Dunn, Amy Jenkins, Kenan Lewis, and Tina Davis, County Clerk.

The first order of business was to approve the agenda for today's meeting. The Commissioner, Greg Hogan, asked if anyone had any additional items to add to the agenda or if there are requests to delete items from today's agenda. Tommy Parker, County Manager, stated that Item J was added to the agenda after it was sent to the media. The Commissioner approved the addition for the agenda and the agenda was approved for November 5, 2024.

The next order of business was to approve the minutes for the previous meeting in the month of September 2024. The Commissioner reviewed and **approved** the Minutes as written for October 1, 2024, Murray County Commissioner's Meeting.

New business was next on the agenda. Under new business the following items were discussed:

Item A: The Sole Commissioner, Greg Hogan, reviewed the actions of the Planning Commission as written in the Minutes of the Murray County Land Use and Development Planning Commission (MCLUPC) Meeting held on October 15, 2024. Commissioner Hogan supports and approves the Commission's actions taken regarding *Items 1-4* detailed in the MCLUPC Minutes as being in the best interest of Murray County. *Items 5-9* regarding the Conditional Use of Property for RV Park/Campground located in Land Lot 24, District 25, on Carter's Road. The land consists of 58.12 acres total, owned by William and Mary Jennings Trustees and Amber Collins as the Jennings' representative. Having received the Well Feasibility Study Report from GEO Hydro-Engineers of 400 Chastain Center Blvd. Suite 430, Kennesaw, GA 30144, I approve the request of Ms. Amber Collins on behalf of William and Mary Jennings Trustees, for Conditional Use of Property for RV Park/Campground WITH specific conditions. The conditions are as follows:

- All County Regulations are followed and necessary variances are obtained
- Local residents water sources cannot be affected
- Once completed there must be an attendant ON-SITE at ALL times
- The guidelines set forth in the Well Feasibility Study Report be strictly adhered to

Item B: The Commissioner gave specifics and signed an Agreement with Foresite Group, Inc. of 3740 Davinci Court, Suite 100 Peachtree Corners, GA 30092. The Agreement is for Professional Services for a Broadband Community Enhancement Project Study to initiate the expansion of high speed broadband access to the underserved/non-served areas of Murray County. The cost for the project study is \$224,840.00 and will be paid for with ARPA funds.

Item C: Greg Hogan, Commissioner announced an Amendment to Chapter 26 of The Code of Murray County.

Amendment Overview:

Chapter: **26** [Mountain Protection]

Section(s): **26-288**: Definitions, **26-289**: Establishment of a Protected Mountain District, **26-290**: Protection Criteria, **26-291**: Agriculture and Forestry Activities

The Amendment to the Code of Murray County Chapter 26 Section 26-288 adds clear definitions to define: "Governing Authority", "Mountain Protection Plan", "Persons", "Quadrangle Map", and "Reforestation Plan". Chapter 26 Section 26-289 Establishes a Protected Mountain District. Chapter 26 Section 26-290 sets height restrictions on structures,



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limits land-disturbing activities and establishes fencing requirements. Chapter 26 Section 26-291 was added and titled "Agriculture and Forestry Activities" allowing approved agricultural and forestry activities that adhere to local, state, and federal land, soil and water management, conservation, forestry, agriculture, transportation, and natural resource guidelines.

Item D: Commissioner Hogan presented a Letter of Recommendation to the Honorable Cindy Morris, Chief Judge of Superior Court to renew the terms of *Randall M. Ingle* (Chief Registrar & Chairperson), *Charles 'Mike' Sneads* (Member), *Barbara 'Barbie' Kendrick* (Member), *Elizabeth 'Beth' Thornbury* (Member), and *Christopher 'Chris' Townsend* (Member). The new 5 (five) year term will begin on January 1, 2025, and will expire December 31, 2029.

Item E: The Commissioner approved a Capital Purchase of a 2023 Ford F150 Super Duty Truck (VIN: 1FTFW1EXPFD05457) from Chatsworth Ford in the amount of \$52,548.33 for the M.C. Sheriff's Office to transport tactical equipment. The Capital Purchase will be paid with 2019 SPLOST funds.

Item F: The Sole Commissioner of Murray County, Greg Hogan, signed a Software Contract with Georgia Tax Collections Systems (GA-TCS) by K&G Consulting Services, LLC. The updated software will be used by the M.C. Tax Commissioner's Office for the purpose of collecting tax revenue(s). The cost is \$30,000.00 and will be paid from 2019 SPLOST funds.

Item G: Commissioner Hogan announced that an Agreement with Georgia Probation Services, Inc. of Trenton, GA has been signed. The Agreement is for Georgia Probation Services, Inc. to provide private probation services for M.C. Magistrate Court, and M.C. Probate Court. The probation services begin November 1, 2024.

Item H: The Sole Commissioner, Greg Hogan, announced a Capital Purchase for \$355,305.00 to be paid from 2019 SPLOST funds. The Capital Purchase is for Motorola to replace the Public Safety Radio Console System and Recorder for Murray County E-911. Commissioner Hogan approved the purchase pending contract remediations.

Item I: The Murray County Industrial Development Authority (MCIDA) provided signed Minutes from their October 24, 2024, meeting. MCIDA conveying 4 acres from the South Industrial Park to Murray County Government for the purpose of relocating the Smyrna Church Road collection site is fully executed.

Item J: Commissioner Hogan discussed and Attorney Engagement Agreement (AEA). Murray County Government has engaged attorneys to investigate the extent to which we have a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) problem from 3M and other chemical companies. The purpose of the AEA is for both the health and safety of the public and to protect the citizens of Murray County.

The Sole Commissioner of Murray County, Greg Hogan, adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:44 A.M.

All Supporting Documents are in Minutes Book #12.

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Greg Hogan, Sole Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Tina S. Davis, County Clerk

12/03/2024
Approval Date