



MURRAY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Minutes

Murray County Commissioner's Meeting August 12, 2025

The Sole Commissioner of Murray County, Noah Bishop, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., August 12, 2025, in the Hearing Room of the Murray County Annex. In attendance were Noah Bishop, Sole Commissioner, Tommy Parker, County Manager, Edward Dunn, and Tina Davis, County Clerk.

Following the Call to Order, Commissioner Noah Bishop **approved** the agenda as written for August 12, 2025.

The next order of business was to approve the Minutes for previous meeting held in July 2025. Commissioner Bishop reviewed and **approved** the Minutes as written for July 1, 2025, Murray County Commissioner's Meeting.

New business was next on the agenda. Under new business the Commissioner discussed the following topics:

Item A: The Sole Commissioner, Noah Bishop, reviewed the actions of the Murray County Land Use Planning Commission (MCLUPC) taken at the July 15, 2025, meeting and supports the Commission's actions as being in the best interest of Murray County.

During the Commissioner's Meeting held on July 1, 2025, Commissioner Bishop tabled the final decision on Item #4, originally listed on the June 17, 2025, Murray County Land Use Planning Commission (MCLUPC) agenda. This item involved a request by Mrs. Hannah Bryson to reclassify a parcel owned by her father, David L. Haught. The Parcel #0028 B 132, consisting of 1.32 acres located on Valley Road, from Suburban Residential (SR) to Rural Residential (RR), for the purpose of placing a mobile home on the property.

The MCLUPC recommended denial of the request, citing that the property is part of an existing subdivision.

Since that decision, the Commissioner has met in person with the Bryson family and held multiple follow-up conversations by phone. The Bryson's informed Commissioner Bishop that they are in the process of receiving a deed for the full 1.32-acre parcel from Mrs. Bryson's father, Mr. David L. Haught, with the stated intention of constructing a site-built residential home on the property. Mrs. Bryson requests the parcel be reclassified from SR to RR to accommodate the less restrictive square footage requirements applicable to RR zoning.

Given the updated circumstances and the conditions as outlined above, the Murray County Sole Commissioner approved the request to reclassify the property from SR to RR.

Item B: Noah Bishop, Sole Commissioner **signed** a Resolution to authorize the purchase of the structure known as *The Keith Building*, located at 101 N. 4th Avenue, Chatsworth, Georgia. The structure appraised at a fair market value of \$420,000.00; and the seller agreed to a purchase price of \$400,000.00 and offered a non-cash contribution of \$20,000.00 in value to Murray County. Funding for the purchase will be paid with 2025 SPLOST funds, specifically under the Justice Center Project budget plan.

Item C: Commissioner Bishop gave specifics of a GDOT LMIG-SAP (Safety Action Plan) Grant approval. The Grant award amount is \$563,380.00 with a 30% County match totaling \$169,014.00 to be paid with 2025 SPLOST funds. The total amount of \$732,394.00 is to be used for: Safety Signage & Markings, Raised Pavement Markers (RPM's), Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB), Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHB), Guardrail(s), Rumble Strips, and Minor Shoulder Widening Improvements.



Item D: The Commissioner signed a Cooperative Forest Road agreement between M.C. Public Works & USDA Forest Service for the cooperative planning, survey, design, construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of Forest Roads in Murray County. M.C. Public Works will work with the USDA Forest Service to maintain and/or improve roads through the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest to safely accommodate all traffic that uses the roads.

Item E: The Sole Commissioner **re-appointed** Edward Dunn and David McDaniel to the Murray County Land Use & Development Commission. Both terms begin August 5, 2025, and will expire August 4, 2029.

Item F: Murray County Government Disposal of Surplus. The Murray County Commissioner **approved** the following items to be sold and/or disposed of:

- Three (3) Alamo 6' Mowing Decks
- Misc. Computer Supplies (Desktops, Laptops, Monitors, Keyboards, Printers, and Cords)
- Allworx Phones

The Sole Commissioner of Murray County, Noah Bishop, adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:31 A.M.

All Supporting Documents are in Minutes Book #13.

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Noah Bishop, Sole Commissioner

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "Tina Davis".

Tina Davis, County Clerk

09/02/2025

Date Approved