

**NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**1124 Clark Street**  
**Covington, Georgia**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 7, 2023**

Present: Chairman Marcello Banes, Commissioners' Stan Edwards, Demond Mason, Alana Sanders, J.C. Henderson, Ronnie Cowan, County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter, Interim County Manager Jarvis Sims, and Clerk Jackie Smith

Others Present: Citizens, Covington News and the Newton Citizen

Chairman Banes called the meeting to order, extended a welcome, and read the thought for the day. The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Reverend Donnell Bethea, pastor of Lifepointe Church of the Nazarene. Chairman Banes presented the pastor a beautiful framed certification of appreciation for his service.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

Chairman Banes recognized CA Patrick Jaugstetter who asked if the board would amend the agenda to consider two items.

Discussion/consideration for approval: Second Amendment to Contract of Sale (Revised Purchase Agreement) City of Covington and Newton Land Investments, LLC. (Removed from the agenda on January 17, 2023)

Cornish Creek: Requesting approval for acceptance of the Drinking Water Project Award in the amount of \$212,783,781.75.

Commissioner Henderson asked that discussion about the \$1,000,000 ARPA funds for each district be added as well.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to amend the agenda for discussion/consideration of the Second Amendment to Contract of Sale (Revised Purchase Agreement) City of Covington and Newton Land Investments, LLC; Acceptance of the Drinking Water Project Award in the amount of \$212,783,781.75; and discussion regarding the \$1,000,000 ARPA funds for each district.

Motion carried unanimously

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Mr. Jenkins  
Covington

- #9 - Concerned that if people can't park their trucks at home, behind their house it will increase time, i.e. in an emergency situation.

- Read a statement (attached)
- Very costly for people to have to park their work vehicles off their property.

Johnny Stone

Covington

- #24: Water issue.... requesting fire hydrants be placed down Hazelbrand Road.

Debbie Harper

Chamber of Commerce, President

- #9 - Very concerned about a Truck Ordinance and echoes Mr. Jenkins comments.
- Would like to suggest BOC work on this ordinance before decisions are made.
- #24 – Would like to request that any business who receives ARPA funding have a valid business license in Newton County.
- She noted several counties require this regarding ARPA Funding i.e. Clayton, Henry, Cherokee. Also cities, i.e. Conyers, Stone Crest, Norcross to list a few.
- Would like to request your agenda be amended to consider this.

Stephanie & O.C. Bell

- #12 – Expressed concerns about funding for the youth and senior centers.
- Children need a place to go and to feel safe.
- Encourage you to stand up for our youth and seniors.

Ms. Key - #12

- Concerned that all districts have not received their \$1 million from ARPA funds.
- Feels that district 3 & 4 are suffering.

Monica Darrah

Oxford

- #14 – Questioned if the contract was bid?

President of Trelawney HOA

Covington

- #9 – Would like for the county to provide the community a heads-up on what ordinance is about.
- Noted that some streets are so narrow (if parked on the street) it prevents emergency vehicles to get up and down the street.
- Very concerned about trucks be allowed to park on the streets.

Sharon Henry

Covington

- #9 – Has an issue with commercial trucks being allowed to park vehicles on their property.
- Concerned about the wear and tear on the roads.
- Should not be allowed in residential areas.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

- Audit Report by David Irwin, Partner of Mauldin & Jenkins
- Provided an overview of the audit.
- Issuing a clean audit for Newton County
- Brittany and staff are a pleasure to work with and do an excellent job.
- Very accommodating and answered all our questions.
- Find them to be proactive and not reactive and they go beyond the requirement.
- Copy of audit is attached and made part of these minutes
- Chairman, Commissioner's & County Manager expressed their appreciation to Brittany and staff for the outstanding work they do for Newton County.

### **INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- Emergency Warming Center Update by Rev. Clara Lett
- January 14, - January 25, 2023
- (Cousins Gym)
- Women: 138
- Men: 166
- Children: 30
- (Rainbow Church)
- Women: 79
- Men: 47
- Children: 27

Total: 486

- She expressed thanks to the BOC/Newton County and the City of Covington for partnering with them.
- She noted they will be closing February 28<sup>th</sup> as weather is warming up.
- Payroll: \$42,957
- Total expenses: \$51,645.20
- We still have salaries to pay for this month so we are in need of \$15,000 to be able keep the Warming Center from closing any earlier than February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- BOC members expressed appreciation to Rev. Lett for what she had done for many years.
- ICM acknowledged Public Works exceptional service on January 12<sup>th</sup>, Chester Clegg, Chris Malcom, Wesley & his team.
- ICM expressed congratulations to Shena Applewhaite on being selected as our new P& D director.
- Acknowledged Bryan Fazio on the new design of the website and invited him to share a bit about it.
- Bryan shared a video with directions on navigation and the departments and answers to questions a citizen might have.
- He noted we now have a new Transparency Center.
- Calendar of Events

- Bryan noted they have been working on this project for some time and expressed appreciation to James Tucker and other employees who worked in getting this done.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

District 3 Appointment to Planning Commission – Tiffanie Benton  
(Ms. Benton was invited to stand and recognized for her willingness to serve).

Juvenile Court: To ratify permission given to move forward to apply for a technology grant to fund computers, printers and accessories for the Resource Building.

- (Time Sensitive)

County Manager: To ratify Agreement for Temporary Staging of Storm Debris

Fire Services: Seeking approval to accept a donation of gym equipment.

- No cost to Newton County

Fire Services: Seeking approval to apply for a Walmart Community Grant to purchase workout equipment.

- Grant: \$5,000
- No Match

Fire Services: Seeking approval to apply for a GA Fireworks Tax Grant to purchase fire hose.

- Grant: \$25,000
- Match: \$2,500 (10%)
- Funding Source: Grant

County Clerk: BOC Mtg. Minutes dated January 10, 2023

County Clerk SPC Mtg. Minutes dated July 6, 2022

County Clerk: BOC Minutes dated January 17, 2023

County Clerk: ES Mtg. Minutes dated January 17, 2023

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve the consent agenda for February 17, 2023.

Motion carried unanimously

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION**  
**CHAIRMAN: DISCUSSION OF TRUCK PARKING ORDINANCE IN**  
**RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND COMMUNITIES**

Commissioner Cowan made a motion and later rescinded it to follow CA's advice on staff and work session being held.

After a lengthy discussion the board decided to direct ICM and staff to work on this relatively quickly and then have a work session.

**DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL: SECOND**  
**AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT OF SALE (REVISED PURCHASE**  
**AGREEMENT) CITY OF COVINGTON AND NEWTON LAND**  
**INVESTMENTS, LLC. (REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA ON JANUARY**  
**17, 2023)**

- Presenter: County Attorney Patrick Jaugstetter
- 2002 NC entered into IGA with City of Covington
- Authorized the city to market and sell property on behalf of Newton County.
- Power Point presented and attached.
- 11 acres to be sold from the 35 acres shown.

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Cowan, to approve the Second Amendment to Contract of Sale (Revised Purchase Agreement) City of Covington and Newton Land Investments, LLC as presented by the County Attorney.

Motion carried unanimously

**FINANCE: SEEKING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION R020723 A**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF NEWTON**  
**COUNTY DECLARING THE RESULTS OF AN ELECTION**  
**DETERMINING THE CONTINUATION OF A ONE PERCENT SALES**  
**AND USE TAX AND THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION**  
**DEBT BY NEWTON COUNTY AND FOR OTHER RELATED**  
**PURPOSES.**

- Presenter: County Attorney
- Time Sensitive
- Bond Amount: \$24,900,000
- Funding Source: SPLOST
- Part of bond process
- BOC authorized SPLOST to be placed on the ballot in August.
- Commissioner Sanders asked the CA to explain about SPLOST dollars and Non-Profits.
- CA stated SPLOST law requires that all SPLOST funds to be spent for Capital Projects, roads, buildings, etc.
- He reiterated that you cannot use SPLOST dollars for operations.
- Chairman Banes asked that CA explain the Newton Trails project.

- He told the board that the County owns property on the Cricket Trail.
- Example: The Nelson Heights Community Center. The County owns the facility and it was constructed with SPLOST dollars as a Capital Project.
- He noted that we cannot give Non-Profits money out of SPLOST funds.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve Resolution R020723, A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Newton County declaring the results of an election determining the continuation of a One Percent Sales and Use Tax and the Issuance of General Obligation Debt by Newton County and for other related purposes.

Motion carried unanimously

**FINANCE: SEEKING APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND NEWTON TRAILS REGARDING THE COUNTY DISBURSING THE CONDEMNATION FUNDS TO BE UTILIZED FOR RENOVATION OF THE ALCOVY RIVER BRIDGE.**

- Presenter: Brittany White, Finance Director
- Provided the board an overview of request.
- Entity: Newton Trails
- Cost: \$110,445.65
- Funding Source: General Fund
- Budgeted: Yes
- County owns property on Cricket Bridge Trail

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Cowan, to approve the MOU between Newton County and Newton Trails regarding the County disbursing the Condemnation Funds to be utilized for renovation of the Alcovy River Bridge as presented by the Finance Director.

Motion carried unanimously

**FINANCE: IPARAMETRICS – UPDATE ON ARPA PROGRAM**

- Presenter: Kennedy Shannon
- Mortgage/Rental & Utility Assistance Program
- Youth Commission
- Non-Profit & Small Business Assistance Program
- COVID Vaccination Gift Cards
- Funding Source: ARPA
- Budgeted: Yes
- No match required

Ms. Shannon provided the board an update of the programs.

- She noted that applications will be on line next Friday.
- It will automatically be sent to the district commissioner.
- She said she could do a social blast and to the media as well.
- Everything will go out at the same time via email.

- Commissioner Sanders asked that schools be provided the same and Ms. Shannon will see to that is done.
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After a lengthy discussion Chairman Banes took a Chairman's Privilege and called for motions regarding the following:

1. COVID Vaccination Gift Cards.
  - Suggested to end the program and transfer the \$50,000 into the Youth Commission.
  - More kids could participate in Civil Service to better understand how government works.
  - This will increase the Youth Commission Funds to \$100,000
  - Discussed the size of the Youth Commission and the board decided to have 4 representatives from each district i.e. by school grade 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>).

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Mason, to move the \$50,000 designated originally for COVID Vaccination Gift Cards to the Youth Commission.

Motion carried Unanimously

2. Non-Profits & Small Business
  - Non-Profits & Small Business will be the next program to drop.
  - Commissioner Sanders voiced her concern this would hinder a lot of people from applying because of cost of permits/license, etc.
  - Ms. Shannon noted that small business owners will still get-preference.
  - Commissioner Edwards wanted to focus on existing food pantries only.
  - Suggest that we work with the Chamber and have a business license drive.
  - CA noted in Newton County a business license is required.
  - Commissioner Sanders noted that a business license is not required by the Department of Treasury.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Cowan, to require a Newton County Business License from all non-profit and small business owners who receive funding from the ARPA program.

Motion carried 3/2 with Commissioner Sanders & Henderson voting in opposition to the motion

3. Mortgage & Rental Assistance.
  - Received 249 applications.
  - 80% cap on affordability
  - Mortgage has to be no more than 80% or you don't qualify.
  - Would not offer to pay back rent if participant cannot afford it.
  - If willing to move would offer to pay first month's rent and security deposit to help them move into something more affordable.

- If six months behind on mortgage or rent, we would not pay more than 6 months and offer the same as affordability cap.
- Commissioner Sanders noted that have a housing crisis in Newton County and people cannot afford to pay their rent.
- Commissioner Cowan suggested negotiating with banks and landlords.

Motion by Commissioner Sanders, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve as presented

Commissioner Cowan made a substitute motion...

Motion by Commissioner Cowan, second by Commissioner Sanders, to approve ARPA funding as it applies to Mortgages and leases if relocated and will pay first month's payment and security deposit.

Motion carried unanimously

#### Warming Center

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve \$15,000 for the Warming Shelter as presented by Rev. Lett.

Motion carried unanimously

#### Million Dollar per District

- Commissioner Henderson expressed his disappointment in process regarding the million-dollar allocation per district.
- Money was put in one pot!
- Commissioner Mason noted they can still apply for funding.
- We want them to be apply for this program.
- The CA noted the board hired a consultant to manage program.
- Commissioner Cowan asked where they were at on Senior Home Repair and she replied March/April.
- Small Business: \$20,000-\$25,000
- Seniors & Low Income Home Repairs: \$15,000

#### **COUNTY MANAGER/FINANCE: ARPA REVENUE REPLACEMENT PROPOSED UPDATES**

- Presenter: Brittany White, Jarvis Sims
- Time Sensitive
- Cost: \$25,255
- Funding Source: ARPA
- Budgeted: No
- Match: Yes

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve the ARPA Revenue Replacement updates for \$25,255.00 as presented by finance director.



Motion carried unanimously

**COUNTY MANAGER/PURCHASING: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND IPARAMETRICS FOR GRANT CONSULTING.**

- Presenter: Jarvis Sims, ICM
- Company: iParametrics
- Cost: Not to exceed \$10,000 per grant
- Funding Source: General Fund
- Budgeted: No
- No match required

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve the contract between Newton County and Iparametrics for grant consulting for an amount not to exceed \$10,000 as presented.

Motion carried 3/2 with Commissioner's Sanders and Henderson voting in opposition to the motion.

**E911: SEEKING APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND ATHENS-CLARK COUNTY TO SHARE RADIO TALKGROUPS FOR MUTUAL AID AND INTEROPOBILITY WITH ATHENS-CLARK COUNTY.**

- Presenter: Trudy Henry, Director
- Entity: Athens-Clark County
- No cost to Newton County

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Edwards, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Newton County and Athens-Clark County to share Radio Talkgroups for mutual aid and interoperability.

Motion carried unanimously

**E911: SEEKING APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND EMORY UNIVERSITY FOR MUTUAL AID AND INTEROPOBILITY WITH EMORY UNIVERSITY.**

- Presenter: Trudy Henry, Director
- Entity: Emory University
- No cost to Newton County
- Tax Commissioner Jordan will converse with county attorney regarding the process.

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Edwards, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Newton County and Emory University to share Radio Talkgroups for mutual aid and interoperability.

Motion carried unanimously

**PARKS & RECREATION: SEEKING APPROVAL FOR APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIGHT CONTRACT BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND SNAPPING SHOALS EMC FOR UPGRADING SECURITY LIGHTS TO LED'S AT BEAVER PARK IN MANSFIELD.**

- Presenter: Dwayne Mask, Director
- Part of Recreation Master Plan
- Entity: Snapping Shoals EMC
- Cost: will add \$54.00 monthly to existing bill
- Funding Source: General Budget
- Budgeted: No

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve the Government Security Light contract between Newton County and Snapping Shoals EMC for upgrading security lights to LED's at Beaver Park in Mansfield, Georgia.

Motion carried 4/0 (Commissioner Sanders had stepped out of the board room)

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: SEEKING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND SAFE BUILT GEORGIA, LLC FOR DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CONSULTANT.**

- Presenter: Shena Applewhaite, Director
- Company: SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC
- Cost: Not to exceed \$130,000
- Funding Source: General Fund
- Budgeted: Yes

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Henderson, to approve the contract between Newton County and SAFEbuilt Georgia, LLC for development services consultant and with contract not to exceed \$130,000.

Motion carried unanimously

**TAX COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE: CITIZEN IS REQUESTING A REFUND FOR TAXES PAID FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS 48 IVY STREET, PORTERDALE, GEORGIA.**

- Presenters: Marcus Jordan, Tax Commissioner, Christine Morgan, Citizen
- Ms. Morgan shared with the board what had taken place and requested a full refund.
- Correspondence with information is attached and made part of these minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Cowan, to refund \$5,661.91 to Christine Morgan for payment for back taxes of property located at

48 Ivy Street.

Motion carried unanimously

**INFORMATION SERVICES: REQUESTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE 6 LAPTOPS AND 6 IPADS FOR PUBLIC USE, INCLUDING ARPA APPLICATIONS AND YOUTH COMMISSIONERS.**

- Presenter: Greg Mann, Director
- Cost: \$7230
- Funding Source: ARPA
- No match required

Motion by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner Edwards, to approve the purchase of six (6) iPads as requested by IT Director Mann.

Motion carried unanimously

**NEWTON COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION: REQUESTING NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SERVE AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR STATE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO THE NEWTON COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION JULY 1, 2023-JUNE 30, 2024.**

- Presenter: Laura Bertram, Director
- Entity: Newton County Family Connection
- No cost to Newton County
- NC has served as fiscal agent since 1998.
- Term: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Motion by Commissioner Mason, second by Commissioner Edwards, to serve as the Fiscal Agenda for Newton County Family Connection for July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 and as presented by Director Laura Bertram.

Motion carried unanimously

**PUBLIC WORKS: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY AND GRESHAM SMITH TO REDESIGN THE NEWTON COUNTY 18 BRIDGE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE PROJECT.**

- Presenter: Chester Clegg, Director
- Company: Gresham Smith
- 18 bridges in county need rehab work
- GDOT inspects every 2 years and gives us a report
- Time Sensitive
- Cost: \$313,087.19
- Funding Source: 100% 2017 SPLOST
- Budgeted: Yes
- No match required

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Cowan, to approve the contract between Newton County and Gresham Smith to redesign the Newton County 18 Bridge Repair & Maintenance Project.

Motion carried unanimously

**PUBLIC WORKS: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH GEORGIA POWER AND SNAPPING SHOALS EMC TO RELOCATE POWER LINE FACILITIES ON THE CROWELL ROAD @ I-20 BYPASS PROJECT.**

- Presenter: Chester Clegg, Director
- Company: Georgia Power and Snapping Shoals EMC
- Cost: \$182,408.66
- Funding Source: 80% FHWA, 20% 2017 SPLOST
- Budgeted: Yes
- No match required.

Motion by Commissioner Mason, second by Commissioner Cowan, to approve the contract between Newton County and Georgia Power & Snapping Shoals EMC to relocate Power Line Facilities on the Crowell Road @ I20 Bypass Project.

Motion carried unanimously

**CORNISH CREEK: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DRINKING WATER PROJECT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$212,783,781.75.**

- Presenter: James Brown, Director
- Will help meet the demand created by increased population.
- Chairman Banes noted this is the epitome of #One Newton and expressed his appreciation.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Sims, to approve the acceptance of the drinking water project award in the amount of \$212,783,781.75.

Motion carried unanimously

**CORNISH CREEK: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEWTON COUNTY, CITY OF COVINGTON, & NEWTON COUNTY WATER & SEWERAGE AUTHORITY REGARDING THE DRINKING WATER PROJECTS AWARD.**

- Presenter: James Brown, Director
- Time Sensitive
- Entities: NC, Covington, NCW&SA
- Funding Source: Drinking Water Projects Award Grant
- No match required

Motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, to approve the agreement between Newton County, the City of Covington, and the Newton County Water & Sewer Authority regarding the Drinking Water Projects Award. Motion carried unanimously

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Ms. Alston

Covington

HOA President for Trelawney

- Met with District 4 Commissioner and listened to project for park because we had questions that were not answered and no there was no further discussion with the community.
- Found out about the Addison property being given to the Boys & Girls Club.
- Not saying we are against the Boys & Girls Club.
- Should have been more communication.
- Commissioner Sanders had a community meeting and they did not want the Boys and Girls Club. This looks like spite to me.

Johnny Stone

Covington

- 20-year resident
- Expressed concern about not being able to visit inmates at jail without a mask

Archie Shepherd

Covington

- Expressed his disappointment in commission.

Debbie Mills

Covington

- 30-year resident
- Member of watch dog group.
- Keeping oversight of what commissioners are doing for us.
- We ask that you follow your Code of Conduct and show respect for each other.

Howard Griggs

Covington

- Tired of the fighting and bickering.
- You are supposed to be working for us.

Ron Frix

Covington

- Regarding truck ordinance – don't think we need to be a burden on the working man (lawn care, AC, electric. People just trying to make a living.
- Compliment Rev. Lett on what she has done with Warming Center.
- Would like to see something like this year round.

Thelma Starr

Covington

- Concerned about amount of money not being enough to help the people
- People need help with filling out the application.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

#### Commissioner Edwards

- Look forward to receiving recommendation regarding truck ordinance.
- Congratulations to Brittany and team...much appreciated.
- We need a special night for our public works department for their storm work.

#### Commissioner Mason

- No comments

#### Commissioner Sanders

- Had a very interesting week.
- Regarding grant, I was here to help the community.
- Tonight was very disheartening, but all you did was make me fight,
- Expressed thanks to her supporters.

#### Commissioner Henderson

- Celebrating Black History Month.
- In 1975 Rev. Harold Cobb was our first black American, followed by Alford Cook and then myself.
- All I have ever wanted for me and the community I serve was to be treated right.
- It seems like we are going backwards.
- Voiced his concern regarding Gaither Plantation, stating that Newton County is the only county out of 159 counties that supports a plantation.

#### Commissioner Cowan

- My first point is regarding the Westside Youth Facility property.
- Board considered the offer for the property that Commissioner Sanders preferred.
- Offer was \$500,000 more than appraised value.
- We offered the appraised value and it was turned down.
- Not saying the site was not a good site. Agree with Commissioner Sanders that it is a good site. It is not a bad piece of property.
- I've asked for drawings, I've asked for what do you want this to look like and I have seen nothing.
- The Addison property came up last year and he wanted to give it to the county. I would take it if it backs up to county property.
- Truck Ordinance: We are not trying to have an impact on the business man.
- Gaither's: I do title work as an attorney.
- I searched the records and for 30 years prior to the county purchasing the property it was known as Gaither's at Myrtle Creek Farm, before that it was the Gaither House. It wasn't called Gaither Planation until the county purchased it.
- It was bought to keep Gwinnett County from purchasing it....

With there being no further business, a motion by Commissioner Edwards, second by Commissioner Mason, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jackie B. Smith, County Clerk

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Marcello Banes, Chairman