

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
February 17, 2026 - 6:00 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a regular Commissioners Meeting on February 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Tracy McCormick, District 1 Commissioner Curtis Mock, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Iris Harris, District 5 Commissioner David Walls, and County Attorney, Michael Hill. District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond was absent.

Agenda Item # 2 - Welcome, Invocation, and Pledge to the American Flag

Chairman Tracy McCormick called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. Commissioner Harris gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3 – Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the January 20, 2026, regular Commissioner’s meeting were presented to the Board for approval. On a motion (Perry) and second (Walls), the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2026, regular Commissioner’s meeting as written.

Agenda Item # 4 – Amend Agenda

The Chairman requested the Board to amend the agenda by making the following changes:

- Removing Item A
- Moving all remaining items up
- Assigning staggered terms for the Historic Preservation Commission:
 - 1-year term: Keith Meacham
 - 2-year terms: Tonnie Adams and Larry Pike
 - 3-year terms: Lana Bussey and John Murray

Additional adjustments were discussed for the Board of Equalization, including:

- Moving Bobby Satterwhite to alternate
- Assigning Dwayne Cox to appointment #3

On a motion (Walls) and second (Mock), the Board voted unanimously to amend the agenda.

Agenda Item # 5 – New Business

Historic Preservation Commission Appointments (Items A–E)

Commissioner Harris initially moved to table all appointments until the next meeting to allow for the proper application process. After discussion about policy requirements and deadlines, the motion was withdrawn.

A new motion was made by Commissioner Harris:

- To table all Historic Preservation Commission appointments (A–E)
- To open applications immediately
- To set the application deadline for one week before the next meeting

On a motion (Harris) and a second (Perry), the Board unanimously voted to table all Historic Preservation Commission appointments (A–E), to open applications immediately, and to set the application deadline for one week before the next meeting.

f. Proclamation Selmah Yates Bowen Day

On a motion (Mock) and a second (Walls), the Board unanimously voted to approve the Proclamation for Selmah Yates Bowen Day, to be observed on February 22, 2026.

Board of Equalization Appointments (Items G–J)

The Board held an extended discussion regarding application deadlines, the timing of grand jury review, and the scheduling constraints affecting upcoming appointments. Because the next grand jury will not convene until April, the Board determined that the Equalization Board appointments could not be finalized until the May meeting.

On a motion (Harris) and a second (Perry), the Board unanimously voted to table all Equalization Board appointments until May, to open the application process immediately with a deadline set for one week prior to the next regular meeting, and to forward all applications to the clerk of court for grand jury review.

Agenda Item # 8 – Old Business

There was no Old Business

Agenda Item # 9 – Public Comments

John Roberts

Item # 10 – Executive Session

Commissioner Perry asked for an Executive Session to discuss real estate. On a motion, (Walls) and second (Harris), the Board voted unanimously to enter the Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. On a motion, (Perry) and second (Mock), the Board voted unanimously to return to Open Session at 7:06 p.m. During the Executive Session the Board discussed real estate.

Item # 11 – Adjourn

There being no further business, on a motion (Harris) and second (Walls), the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Adjourned 7:07 p.m.



County Clerk



Chairman

Date: 03/17/26

