

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION
May 24, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a work session on May 24, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber of the Heard County Administration Building to discuss the FY 2022-2023 Budget and other matters as needed. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner James Perry, District 3 Commissioner Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, and District 5 Commissioner David Walls. Chairman Boone opened the meeting by asking Mr. Darold Wiggins, Public Works Director, to discuss the needs for his department. Mr. Wiggins also discussed with the Board the needs for the Solid Waste Department. Chairman Boone then asked Caleb Pike, Arena Director, to come to the podium to discuss his department needs with the Board. Chairman Boone then asked Dustin Pate, Chief Appraiser, to come to the podium to discuss his department needs with the Board. While at the podium, Mr. Pate also discussed the new tax digest, the Tax Assessors Board, the closing of Plant Wansley. Chairman Boone then asked Dianne Watson, Tax Commissioner, to come to the podium to discuss the needs of her department. Chairman Boone then asked Jim Short, EMA Director and Fire Chief to come to the podium to discuss the needs of his department. Chief Short also discussed with the Board the billing company, the possibilities of getting grants with the help of new Deputy Chief Bell, and the ISO rating. Chairman Boone then asked Ross Henry, Heard County Sheriff, to come to the podium to discuss the needs of his department. Chairman Boone then discussed with the Board the archival system that the Probate Judge wished to purchase (the Probate Judge was out of town when this meeting was taking place). The Board then went through the budgets of DFACS, Juvenile Court, Senior Center, Transit, the Recreation Department, Brush Creek, Library, Georgia Forestry, Planning and Zoning, Codes Enforcement, the Old Jail, Animal Control, HCCP, the Public

Defender, IT, Vehicle Maintenance, and the Arena. The Board will come back on Friday at 9:00 to continue their discussion. With there being no further business, the work session was adjourned.