James Perry was elected to the position of district two commissioner for Heard County in August 2020. He was raised in Graham, Alabama and graduated high school in Bowdon, Georgia. He has been a lifelong resident of this area calling Heard County home for over twenty years now. He and his wife Lisa live on a farm growing corn, soybeans and hay each year.

James has two sons, two daughters in law and five granddaughters. He has a Bachelor of Science degree along with numerous certifications related to law enforcement where he has spent the last thirty-nine years building his career. After retiring with thirty-three years at Carrollton Police Department, he became the police chief for West Georgia Technical College.

James is a past president of the Central Junior Athletic Association and the Carrollton Fraternal Order of Police. He is the founder and CEO of the Georgia Police and Fire Games and the current president of the Georgia Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors, both Statewide organizations.

James' passion is farming, having grown up on a farm. Regardless of his full time job responsibilities, farming is always on his mind and in his heart. His goal for Heard County is to improve our rural heritage and improve the infrastructure for everyone. He is also a licensed real estate agent in Georgia and enjoys helping people find their dream home.