

**HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2017 - 6:30 P.M.**

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on August 22, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner Keri Denney, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Larry Hammond, District 5 Commissioner Joe Adams and County Attorney Jerry Ann Conner. Chairman Boone called the meeting to order, gave the invocation and welcomed everyone present.

Agenda Item # 3 – Approval of Minutes - On motion (Hooks) and second (Denney), the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from July 25, 2017.

Agenda Item # 4 – Amend Agenda – None.

Agenda Item # 5 – New Business – a. Discuss Appointment To Region 6 Advisory Council (Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Development Disabilities – DBHDD Region 6) –

Chairman Boone stated that he recently received a letter from DBHDD advising that Heard County has not had an appointee to the Regions 6 Regional Advisory Council since 2015. They are requesting that Heard County appoint someone to this board. Chairman Boone asked the Board for recommendations for this position. Commissioner Hooks asked the Board to please consider postponing any recommendations until the next commissioners meeting. All agreed.

b. Approve Submittal of Joint Comprehensive Plan for 2017-2037 – Chairman Boone stated that the public hearing for the joint comprehensive plan was advertised by Three Rivers to be held on September 7, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. at the Three Rivers Regional Commission office in Franklin. Three Rivers would like to ask the Board to give Chairman Boone permission to submit the plan after this

public hearing is held. On motion (Denney) and second (Hooks), the Board unanimously approved this request.

c. Discuss Heard County SPLOST Referendum for May, 2018 – Chairman Boone stated that in order to meet the deadlines for the SPLOST V referendum, he has asked representatives from each municipality to come tonight to discuss the timeline for this new referendum. Kevin Hamby, SPLOST Manager, presented a SPLOST V program projection and the potential Heard County projects. He also presented the SPLOST V timeline. He explained that capital projects are eligible as SPLOST projects, not salaries and repairs and/or maintenance. After further discussion, Chairman Boone stated that the next step would be for the municipalities to discuss among themselves their projects and then enter into an intergovernmental agreement between the County and the municipalities by September 29, 2017.

Agenda Item # 7 – Old Business – None

Agenda Item # 8 - Public Comments – Commissioner Caldwell asked Chairman Boone when the road department would be bush hogging on county roads again. Chairman Boone stated they are bush hogging now in the Centralhatchee area and working their way around the County. He stated the abundance of rain has them behind on grass cutting.

Agenda Item # 9 - Executive Session – None.

There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and second (Adams), the board voted unanimously to adjourn. Adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

County Clerk

Chairman

Date _____