

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14th, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mel Powell	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Commissioner
Jamie Handley	Commissioner
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Michael Pomirko	County Manager
Callie Vandegrift	County Clerk
Toni Sawyer	County Attorney
Lucas Allison	Cordele Dispatch

Chairman Mel Powell called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Lucas Allison gave the invocation.

All gave the pledge.

Reappointment Members (WIOA Board) Mel Powell & Clay Reid – 3 year term 2026

Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to reappoint Chairman Powell and Commissioner Clay Reid. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded and this carried unanimously.

Resolution for Sheriff Special Election- Tuesday, November 7th, 2023

County Attorney Toni Sawyer explained that this special election is being held to fill the rest of Sheriff Robert Rodger's term which ends on January 1st, 2025. The special election will be held November 7th, 2023 and will have a polarity ballot, which means whoever receives a vote of 50.1% will become the new Sheriff. If one candidate does not receive more 50.1% or more then there will be a runoff election held. The qualifying date for this election is September 25th-29th and a notice will be sent to the Cordele dispatch two weeks before. The qualifying fee is set at \$562.91. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to accept the qualifying dates and fees for the special election. Commissioner Jamie Handley seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

Resolution for SPLOST Election- Tuesday, November 7th, 2023

County Attorney Toni Sawyer explained that the current SPLOST will expire in March 2024.

The new SPLOST will start collecting in April 2024 with the approved projects. Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to accept the resolution for the new SPLOST election.

Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded this motion and it carried unanimously.

Adopt Tentative FY24 Budgets. Run in Cordele Dispatch 09/20/23

There will be a budget worksheet that shows the dates we will advertise and the public hearing date for the budget will be October 3rd at 6:00P.M. This public hearing will be open to the public.

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to tentatively adopt the FY24 budget. Commissioner Jamie Handley seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

Mental Health Resolution- ACCG- Adopt in October meeting- No action needed

County Manager Michael Pomirko states that this resolution purpose is to put more of an emphasis on mental health in Georgia. This resolution will be adopted in the October meeting.

Commissioner Jamie Handley made a motion to adjourn at 6:02. Commissioner Clay Reid seconded this motion and carried unanimously.

Mel Powell

Chairman Mel Powell

Callie Vandegrift

County Clerk Callie Vandegrift