



**PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
October 11, 2022**

**Watson Government Complex
Second Floor – Board of Commissioners Meeting Room**

CALL TO ORDER: David L. Carmichael, Chairman

**INVOCATION
& PLEDGE:** Deidre Holden, Voter Registration & Elections Director

PRESENT: David L. Carmichael, Chairman; Keith Dunn, Post I; Sandy Kaecher, Post II; Virginia Galloway, Post III; Brian Stover, Post IV; Jayson Phillips, County Attorney; Frank Baker, County Manager; Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk

MINUTES:

- 1. The September 26, 2022 Work Session Minutes and the September 26, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes were available for review.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Team Paulding: Employee of the Month Jeff Harkins, Media Production Coordinator aired for the Board and the audience.

INVITED GUESTS: None

BID AWARDS: None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

CONSENT AGENDA: Chairman Carmichael read the following consent agenda items:

- 2. Adopt Resolution 22-36 reappointing Ben Amerson to the Tax Assessors Board for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025.*
- 3. Authorize the Chairman to sign the release of the Development Agreement with GA PAULDING UNICO 120, LLC.*
- 4. Authorize the Chairman to approve the transfer of 7,366.37 sf (0.27 ac) of right of way to GDOT for PI # 0015604, for a purchase price of \$2,000.*
- 5. Approval of the non-renewal of the Contract for the Rendering of Representation for Indigent Criminal Defendants in the Probate and Magistrate Courts of Paulding County, Georgia due to the transfer of the Probate Court traffic docket to the State Court and for the County Attorney to send notice of non-renewal.*

OLD BUSINESS:

- 6. Authorize the Chairman to enter into an Agreement with Heath and Lineback Engineers, Inc. for the Engineering Services Master Agreement in the amount of \$500,000 for one (1) year period with the option to renew upon approval of additional funding. Services will be used for preliminary & final engineering of transportation SPLOST projects. (Tabled from the September 26, 2022 Board of Commissioners Meeting):*

Discussed action to authorize the Chairman to enter into an Agreement with Heath and Lineback Engineers, Inc. for the Engineering Services Master Agreement in the amount of \$500,000 for one (1) year period with the option to renew upon approval of additional funding. Services will be used for preliminary & final engineering of transportation SPLOST projects. (Tabled from the September 26, 2022 Board of Commissioners Meeting) George Jones, Transportation Director requested to amend the amount to \$250,000.00 for the one (1) year period with the option to renew upon approval of additional funding. He further stated Paulding County DOT does not

have staff to perform engineering design in-house. This will allow the consultants to meet the need of engineering design. Also, this would be the fourth renewal of the Agreement.

Commissioner Stover stated he would like the County to hire more engineers so we would not have to sub out these projects, because that becomes expensive.

Mr. Jones stated there are currently four (4) vacant Engineer positions.

Chairman Carmichael asked if there were any current applicants.

Mr. Jones stated there no applicants.

NEW BUSINESS:

7. *Adopt Resolution 22-37 authorizing the filing of an application with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation, for a grant for public transportation assistance under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Laws under Chapter 53 of Title 49 of the United States Code:*

Discussed action to adopt Resolution 22-37 authorizing the filing of an application with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation, for a grant for public transportation assistance under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Laws under Chapter 53 of Title 49 of the United States Code. Tabitha Pollard, Finance Director stated this is a routine grant for \$58,951.00 with a 10% match from the County. It would cover the cost of one bus. She further stated that the County met the advertising requirement.

8. *Adopt Resolution 22-38 a Resolution of Paulding County, Georgia to adopt the 2022 update to the Joint Comprehensive Plan for Paulding County:*

Discussed action to adopt Resolution 22-38 a Resolution of Paulding County, Georgia to adopt the 2022 update to the Joint Comprehensive Plan for Paulding County. Ann Lippmann, Community Development Director gave a Power Point Presentation to the Board and the audience. She stated this process began in November 2021. The Resolution will update the 2017 Comprehensive plan for Paulding County.

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Tim Estes stated his concerns with the Voting Machines and the Upcoming Election.

Chairman Carmichael asked if any of the Commissioners had any comments or announcements.

Chairman Carmichael stated he was happy to see Chuck Hart and Randy Harris in attendance.

Commissioner Galloway reminded everyone that today is the last day to register to vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Sandy Kaecher made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brian Stover. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Brian Stover.