

**Minutes of Called Meeting  
Elbert County Board of Commissioners  
Wednesday, November 20, 2019 12:00**

Chairman Lee Vaughn called the meeting to order. Present were Chairman Vaughn, Vice Chairman Chris Alexander, Commissioner Horace Harper, Commissioner Casey Freeman, Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth, Commissioner Freddie Jones, County Administrator Bob Thomas, County Attorney Bill Daughtry, County Clerk Tamara Butler. CFO Phil Pitts was not present.

After the pledge to the United States flag the invocation was given by Commissioner Ashworth.

**Adoption of the Agenda.** Commissioner Alexander made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Freeman seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval of a Resolution to adopt the Comprehensive Plan Update as required by HB 215 in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures.** Mr. Thomas stated this has been a work in progress. The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is to serve as a decision-making guide for local government officials and community leaders. Based on input from the public, stakeholders, and a steering committee, the plan identifies needs and opportunities, goals and policies, land use practices, and an implementation framework for key elements. The plan was developed by the Planning and Government Services Division of the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission. Commissioner Freeman made a motion to adopt the Comprehensive Plan update. Commissioner Harper seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and approval to purchase three (3) vehicles for the Sheriff's office from bids that were received. The funding will come from SPLOST.** Mr. Thomas stated the Sheriff asked to seek bids for three (3) vehicles. Bids were sent to five (5) dealers with two (2) responding. Two (2) Dodge Chargers from Duvall Automotive for \$27,096.40 each and one (1) Ford F150 pickup truck from Casey Jackson Ford for \$29,479.76. Funds will come from SPLOST revenues. Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve the purchase of these three (3) vehicles. Commissioner Ashworth seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Thomas stated that he had received notice from CSX Railroad that the crossing at North Oliver Street would be closed November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Executive Session.** Chairman Vaughn asked for a motion to enter Executive Session for litigation. Commissioner Ashworth made the motion and Commissioner Alexander seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Upon returning, Chairman Vaughn asked for a motion to enter General Session; Commissioner Freeman made the motion and Commissioner Ashworth seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Vaughn stated no action was taken.

**Adjournment.** Commissioner Harper made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Alexander seconded the motion. Upon voting the motion carried 5-0.