BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS JASPER COUNTY, GEORGIA REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**** SMALL COURTROOM, SECOND FLOOR****

MONTICELLO, GEORGIA March 4, 2024 6:00 p.m.

*** The meeting will be live streamed Via Facebook on the Jasper County Georgia Facebook Page.

1. Call to Order (6:00 p.m.)				
NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE	ARRIVED
DISTRICT 1 – SHEILA G. JONES				
DISTRICT 2 – BRUCE HENRY, CHAIR				
DISTRICT 3 – DON JERNIGAN				
DISTRICT 4 – ASHER GRAY				
DISTRICT 5 - STEVEN LEDFORD, VICE-CHAIR				
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II. Pledge of Allegiance –				
III. Invocation – District 4				
IV. Approval of Agenda				
V. Consent Agenda –				
1. Approval of Minutes:				
 Regular Meeting Minutes- Fe 	ebruary 5, 202	24		
2. Check Register – Check #'s 70346-70573				

VI. Public Hearings with Business Action

Public Hearings are conducted to allow public comments on specific advertised issues such as rezoning, ordinances, policy development and other legislative actions to be considered by the County Commissioners. Following the public hearing. The Board of Commissioners will act on each item presented below.

VII. Presentations/Delegations

(10) minutes on specific topics or for recognition of citizens, county employees or other events by the Commissioners.

VIII. Citizens Comments

for not more than three (3) minutes on specific topics. The County Attorney will keep time. Please be courteous of the <u>3-minute</u> time limit. Comments noted from citizens via the Jasper County FB Page.

IX. County Commissioner Items & Updates

X. Regular Agenda

Business Items:

- 1. Appointment to Board of Assessors
- 2. Appointment to Planning and Zoning Board

- 3. Appointment to Planning and Zoning Appeals Board
- 4. Appointment to Recreation Board
- 5. Appointment to Public Facilities Authority Board
- 6. Appointment of Voting Delegate for Consideration of Three Statewide Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission Members and Regional Advisory Council Members.
- 7. Discuss Comments from the February 26, 2024 Public Hearing on Landfill Operations
- 8. Bear Creek Marina Alcohol License Renewal
- 9. Downtown Monticello Traffic Pattern
- 10. ACCG Georgia County Internship Program Grant Agreement
- 11. Human Resources and County Boards Report
- 12. Schedule Work Sessions and Called Meetings as Needed

XI. County Attorney Items

XII. County Manager Update

XIII. Executive Session

Consultation with County attorney to discuss pending or potential litigation as provided by O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1); Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(4); and discussion on employment, compensation, or periodic evaluation of county employees as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6)

XIV. Adjournment

Consent Agenda – Item 1:

<u>Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC</u>

Department: Board of Commissioners

Date: March 4, 2024

Subject: Approval of Minutes

Summary:

Minutes have been completed for the Jasper County Board of Commissioners:

• Regular Meeting Minutes- February 5, 2024

Background:

Cost: \$0

Recommended Motion:

Approve minutes for:

• Regular Meeting Minutes- February 5, 2024

Jasper County Board of Commissioners February 5, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Bruce Henry called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Bruce Henry, Chairman; Steven Ledford, Vice Chair; Don Jernigan; Sheila Jones and Asher Gray

Staff: Mike Benton, County Manager, Sheila Belcher via Facebook live, Clerk- Administrative Services Director, Larissa Ruark, Chief Accounting Officer, Doug Attaway- Planning and Zoning Director,

Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation: Commissioner Don Jernigan, District 3

Agenda Approval: Commissioner Ledford motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Ledford motioned to approve the following minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes January 8, 2024
- Called Meeting Minutes- January 12, 2024
- Work Session Minutes- January 26, 2024

Commissioner Gray seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jernigan motioned to approve Check #s **70142-70345**. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Public Hearings:

Citizen Comments:

- Mary Patrick- Spoke about short-term rentals. Ask about lot sizes
- Cathy Benson-Gave handouts. Spoke about a 2008 Oconee County case
- **Jim Belcher-** Restricting who comes into the county.
- **John Henderson-** Thanks for taking on zoning.
- **Gary Wiggins-** Spoke about the Turtle Cove incidents that the Board discussed previously.

Business Items:

<u>Item 1:911 Authority Board Appointment:</u> Jasper County 911 Authority Board has a vacancy that need to be filled due to a resignation. The term will expire on March 1, 2025. The open position has been advertised.

The following people have expressed interest in serving on the Board:

- Ronnie Payne
- William Smith

Commissioner Jernigan motioned to appoint Ronnie Payne to the Jasper County 911 Authority Board. Commissioner Ledford seconded the motion, passed 4-1 (Commissioner Gray opposes)

<u>Item 2: Recreation Board Appointment</u> – The board agreed to table the appointment until the next meeting.

Item 3: Fiscal Agent Designation for Family Connection Collaborative- FY2024-2025-

Jasper County Family Connection collaborative serves as the local decision making body, bringing community partners and evaluate plans that address the serious challenges facing Georgia's children and families.

Request that Jasper County Board of Commissioners continue to be fiscal agent for Jasper County Family Connection for the 2024-2025 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024. Budget amount for year will continue at \$52,500.

Commissioner Jernigan motioned to authorize Chairman Henry to sign the Fiscal Agent Designation and Acceptance Agreement for Family Connection FY 24-25. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion, passed 4-1 (Commissioner Gray opposed).

<u>Item 4: 2024 Turtle Cove POA's Alcohol License-</u> Turtle Cove POA, Application number 2023-A-006 located at 222 Clubhouse Drive Monticello, GA 31064. Name of applicant: Philip Daly Myers III – Pouring license for distilled spirits, beer, and wine. – Renewal

Commissioner Jernigan motioned to approve Turtle Cove pouring license application. Commissioner Gray seconded for discussion, passed 3-2 (Gray & Ledford opposed).

<u>Item 5: FY 2023 Audit Acceptance-</u> Larissa Ruark presented that the audit has been completed and submitted.

<u>Item 6:</u> <u>2024 2nd Qtr. Financial Report</u>- Larissa_Ruark presented the 2nd Quarter Financial Report.

<u>Item 7: FY 2025 Budget Calendar-</u> Larissa Ruark presented the FY 2025 Budget calendar to the Board.

<u>Item 8: Murder Creek Church Rd Resurfacing-</u> Murder Creek Church Rd connects Marben Farm Rd to Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center. Murder Creek Church Rd needs major resurfacing.

Applicable Murder Creek Church Rd section lengths

From Marben Farm Rd to end of pavement section of Murder Creek Church Rd
From Marben Farm Rd to the start of the Charlie Elliott Dam
1.0 miles
From Marben Farm Rd including the Charlie Elliott dam
1.2 miles

Commissioner Ledford motioned that we request funding from DNR & GDOT to fund 1.2 miles of Marben Farm Road. Commissioner Gray seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

<u>Item 9: Moratorium Extension on Short Term Rentals-</u> Commissioner Ledford motioned to approve the Short-term rental moratorium until May 20, 2024. Commissioner Jernigan seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

<u>Item 10: Zoning and Development Ordinances Recommendations</u> – Commissioner Gray motioned to keep the two zonings, agricultural and residential, 5 acres on both, 3 acres for conservation subdivisions, agricultural 300 ft road frontage, residential 200 ft road frontage, minimum heated square ft for agricultural is 1200 sq ft, 1500 sq for agricultural subdivision. Commissioner Ledford seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

<u>Item 11: Landfill Operations Options-</u> Chairman Henry discussed current landfill operations. He stated that there will be a Public Hearing on February 26 to discuss the operations.

Item 12: Schedule Work Sessions and Called Meetings as Needed

A called meeting is scheduled for February 26th.

County Attorney Items: None

<u>County Manager Update:</u> Mr. Benton gave updates on permits, 4-way stop at Henderson Mill Road, new hires

Executive Session: Commissioner Jernigan motioned to go into Executive Session at 7.39 p.m. for Real Estate. Commissioner Ledford seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jernigan motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. for Real Estate. Commissioner Ledford seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

Adjourn: Commissioner Jernigan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m..

Commissioner Ledford se	conded the motic	on, passeď unanim	ously.	1	
Bruce Henry, Chairman			Sheila Be	lcher, Clerk	

Consent Agenda – Item 2:

<u>Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC</u>

Department: Board of Commissioners

Date: March 4, 2024

Subject: Approval of Check Register

Summary:

A check register will be generated by the finance department on meeting day for signature and approval to process the checks.

Background:

Cost: \$0

Recommended Motion:

Approve processing of check #'s 70346-70573

Agenda Requ	nest – Jasper County BOC
Department:	Tax Assessor
Date:	March 4, 2024
Subject:	Appointment to Board of Assessors
Summary: The term for F	Position 4, currently held by Larry Smith is expiring on April 17, 2024.
	vas first appointed to the Board in 2009. This would be his sixth term serving. He has expressed tinuing to serve.
Cost: Meetin	gs and education are budgeted
Recommende	ed Motion: Board Discretion

Business Item 1:

Larry E. Smith



JASPER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Jasper County Board of Assessors is a volunteer board, comprised of five individuals who are appointed by the Jasper County Board of Commissioners to three-year terms. In order to serve on the Board of Assessors, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- · Live in Jasper County
- Be at least 21 years of age
- Be a High School graduate or possess a GED
- Attend a 40-hour (5 days) training class within 6 months of appointment
- Attend 2 more 40-hour training classes
- After these 3 pre-requisite classes are met, 20 hours of continuing education are required each year or 40 hours every other year
- The training is provided by the Department of Revenue and is held in various locations throughout the state. Overnight stays are usually necessary.
- Attend Board meetings which are held once a month. Meetings are currently held at 5pm on the 3rd Monday of the month. Payment for each meeting and day of training is \$100.

I have read the requirements, and acknowledge by signature that I meet the requirements to serve on the Jasper County Board of Assessors.

 JMylbridg
 2-19-2024

 Signature
 Date

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT JASPER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Jasper County Board of Assessors is a volunteer board, comprised of five individuals who are appointed by the Jasper County Board of Commissioners to three-year terms.

The persons appointed to this board will need to meet all of the noted requirements.

Please take a few minutes to complete the application and return it with a resume, if available, to Sheila Belcher, County Clerk, at sbelcher@jaspercountyga.org 126 W. Greene St. Ste. 18, Monticello, GA 31064.

If you have any questions, please call (706) 468-4900.

NAME Larry E. Smith	
ADDRESS	
PHON E (home)	
(cell)	
Email address	
Larry Smith	2-19-24 Date

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

1.	How long have you been a resident of Jasper County? 73 years
2.	Why are you interested in serving on the Jasper County Board of Assessors?
	To continue to be of service to the citizens of
	Jayrey County,
3.	What qualifications and experience do you possess that should be considered for
	appointment to the Jasper County Board of Assessors?
	BS and Master Degree from the U. of bergin. House been on the board for 15 years and home taken and passed
4.	List your most recent employment experiences to include name of company and position. Select Courseles with Ballwin County Ball of Ed,
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5.	Are you currently serving on a commission/board/authority or in an elected capacity with
	Currently serving on the Juper County Board of Tax Assessing
6.	Are you willing to attend all of the scheduled meeting and required trainings?
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7.	What is your vision of the county's future related to the Jasper County Board of
	Assessors? By going by State law providing the citizene of from County for and squal evaluations.
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8.	Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family
	and you serving on the Jasper County Board of Assessors? Has not him and will not be any
9.	Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County employee? If so, please describe.
10	. Describe your current community involvement.
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11	. Have you, since the age of 18, ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No
	If YES, please briefly describe the nature of the crime(s), the date and place of conviction and the legal disposition of the case. Jasper County will not deny appointment to any applicant solely because the person has been convicted of a crime. The County, however, may consider the nature, date and circumstances of the offense as well as whether the offense is relevant to the duties of the position

applied.

To Whom It May Concern,

I am requesting that I be reappointed to the Jazzer County Board of Tax Assessors. I was first appointed to the Board in 2009 and have taken and passed all required classes, taking some more than once. I continue to take the required yearly hours to keep my certification current. We have a Board that works well together and I would like to continue serving the citizens of Jasper County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Larry E. Smith

Business Item 2: Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC **Department:** Planning and Zoning Date: March 4, 2024 **Subject:** Appointment to Planning and Zoning Board **Summary:** Planning and Zoning has 2 terms expiring on March 1, 2024 the Planning and Zoning Board. Staff has advertised the positions. The Board of Commissioners needs to appoint citizens to fill the expiring terms of Julie Bennett and Ron Burch. Staff received applications from the following: Julie Bennett Mary Patrick **Bobby Jacobs Background:** The Planning and Zoning Board is a 5 member board with 3-year terms.

Cost:

Recommended Motion: Board Discretion



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

Name: Julie Bennett Address:	Home Phone: Work Phone:
Occupation: AT&T Tech Business Management	Cell Phone: E-mail:
I would like to apply for appointment to the	following Board, Committee, or Authority:
Jasper County Planning and Zoning	
How long have you been a resident of Jasper	
Which Jasper County district do you live in	?
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(B) Zowing Appeals board - City of Montrallo

(D) Chairman of City of Motivallo Sopolost

Committee.

(10) United States Army Veteran - Desert Stam

(11) Opport Country health Dept. board - appealant

Department: Planning and Zoning Date: March 4, 2024	
Date: March 4, 2024	
Subject: Appointment to Planning and Zoning Appeals Board	
Summary: Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals has two (2) expired terms, July 1, 2023 & March 1, 2024. We received one application for appointment:	have
Cyndi Johns	
Background:	
The Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals appointees serve 3-year terms.	
Cost:	
Recommended Motion: Board Discretion	

Business Item 3:



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES Home Phone: Address: Work Phone: Cell Phone: Occupation: Financial Mgz E-mail: I would like to apply for appointment to the following Board, Committee, or Authority: Zoning Appeals Board How long have you been a resident of Jasper County? Mucs Which Jasper County district do you live in? (4) (5) What qualifications, experience, and certifications do you possess that should be considered for the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on? no Loning Certifications, nor to I have Zoning experience feel I am qualified for this position as a Concerned resident Are you currently serving on another Board, Committee, Authority or elected position? NO If Yes, please list. Have you, since the age of 18, ever been convicted of a felony? ____ Yes ____ No If YES, please use the space below to briefly describe the nature of the crime(s), the date and place of

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to the duties of the position applied.

Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family, and your serving on the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?			
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interpreting the ordinance, deciding appeals from administrative decisions and granting variances. A variance it granted allows a dapateure from a particular requirement of the zoning ordinance.			
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Business Item 4: Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC **Department:** Recreation Department Date: March 4, 2024 **Subject:** Appointment to Recreation Board **Summary:** Jasper County Recreation Board has a vacancy that needs to be filled. The vacancy is open because of a resignation. The term will expire on October 31, 2025. The open position has been advertised. The following people have expressed interest in serving on the Board: **Adam Nation** Rachelle Stanionis **Background:** The Jasper County Recreation Board is a five (5) member board.

Cost: None

Recommended Motion: Board Discretion



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

Name: Adam Nation	Home Phone:		
Address:	Work Phone:		
	Cell Phone:		
Occupation: Paramedic	E-mail: /		
I would like to apply for appointment to the follo	owing Board, Committee, or Authority:		
Jasper County Recreation	Board		
How long have you been a resident of Jasper Co			
Which Jasper County district do you live in?			
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What is your vision for the county's future in relation to the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on? I would like to see improvements to the facilities, and equipment
for all sports programs provided by Tasper county.
Explain your understanding of the duties of this Board, Committee, or Authority:
The Recreation Board is in place to advise, are make recommendations for improvements to the trasper country Recreation
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department.
Briefly explain why you seek appointment to this Board, Committee, or Authority: I am seeking appointment to help improve Jasper comm
regreation department in all aspects. I feel that being part of
Organized Sports as a Child Plays an important role to youth developmen
Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County Employee? If so, please describe.
NO
If appointed, I agree to serve and participate in required and or voluntary trainingNo
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Signature Application Date
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January 20, 2024

Jasper County Board of Commissioners

126 W Greene Street, Suite 110

Monticello, GA 31064

Dear BOC,

As a team mom and dedicated community member, I was thrilled to see your posting for a volunteer to fill the open seat on the Recreation Board. The position has been posted several times over the last few years and each time I think a little more about volunteering for it. The recreation department has seen a lot of changes over the last several years. We have recently had some issues arise that have left our community questioning our recreation department and its commitment to our children. That is why after much consideration I have decided to submit my letter of interest for the vacant seat on the Recreation Board.

My son has played multiple sports with the Jasper County Recreation Department for years until he started middle school. His dad has continued to coach for years even though we don't have a child participating at a rec level anymore. I absolutely love Jasper and brag about our beloved small town frequently. I am very dedicated to our wonderful community and am always looking for ways to become more involved. Prior to moving to Monticello, my son played sports in Newton County for a couple of years. Sports wise making the adjustment from Newton to Jasper was quite a change. The more involved we have become with Jasper's recreation department the more involved I want to be. I know with the right help our recreation department can grow into so much more.

Several years ago, I did marketing and community relations for Kohl's Department Stores. I can bring those years of knowledge to this board. When I look at our rec, I see big things. I see what it could be and what it should be. I want to see our recreation department succeed and expand. I want to see the kids in our community have fun and learn not just how to play sports but how to have good sportsmanship and be a great team member. As someone who has also served as a team mom for multiple sports and been the parent of the child playing for someone else, I see both sides of the issues facing our rec department. I believe my knowledge and love of this community can be a huge asset for our rec department. I am truly committed to assisting our rec overcome past concerns and expand into the amazing institution it can become.

I would welcome the opportunity to assist Keldrick Davis and the Recreation Board in being the absolute best it can be.

Thank you for your consideration,

Rachelle Stanionis



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

Name: Rachelle Stanionis Address: Work Phone: Cell Phone:	
Occupation: Teacher E-mail:	1
I would like to apply for appointment to the following Board, Committee, or Authority: Recreation Board	
How long have you been a resident of Jasper County?	
Which Jasper County district do you live in?(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
What qualifications, experience, and certifications do you possess that should be considered for the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on? I was on the rec board before. I resigned because the Members at that time had no desire to improve the rec. I have served as a team man for Tyears within our rec. Are you currently serving on another Board, Committee, Authority or elected position? Yes X NO If Yes, please list.	
Have you, since the age of 18, ever been convicted of a felony?YesNo	
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Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family, and your serving on the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?
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What is your vision for the county's future in relation to the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on? Our nec department has been struggling for years. It is my desire to assist the rec Staff every way possible to improve arow, and expand our rec and make it what our kids explain your understanding of the duties of this Board, Committee, or Authority: deserve,
Briefly explain why you seek appointment to this Board, Committee, or Authority: I want to help make sure of our
recreation department becomes everything our kids deserve. I attached a letter
of Intent to my email. Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County Employee? If so, please describe.
no, my boyfriend, Ross Boswell,
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Roll Disidered a Signature 1/29/24 Conflict Application Date

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Business Item 5:

Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC

Department: Public Facilities Authority

Date: March 4, 2024

Subject: Appointment to Public Facilities Authority Board

Summary:

Jasper County's Public Facilities Authority was established by the Jasper County Board of Commissioners and approved by an act by the Georgia General Assembly. The Public Facilities Authority is comprised of five (5) members who shall be residents of Jasper County and who shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioner of Jasper County. The members of the Authority shall be appointed to serve for a term of one (1) year from the date of such appointment and until their successors have been selected and appointed.

The Board of Commissioners staff advertised for applicants for the Public Facilities Authority Board. The Board needs to appoint a Commissioner Representative and 3 citizens.

The following commissioner has submitted an application:

• Commissioner Don Jernigan

The following citizens have submitted applications to serve on the Jasper County Public Facilities Board:

- Howard Fore
- James Thiele
- William Nash

Background:

The Jasper County Public Facilities Authority was created for the purpose of promoting the public good and wellbeing of the citizens of Jasper County. The Authority has the ability to enable financing to provide long term capital projects including facilities, equipment and services within Jasper County.

Cost: None

Recommended Motion: Board Discretion



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

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Name: William Donald Jernigun	Home Phone:	
Address:	Work Phone:	
	Cell Phone:	
Occupation:	E-mail:	
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Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family, and you serving on the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?
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Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County Employee? If so, please describe
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If appointed, I agree to serve and participate in required and or voluntary training Yes No
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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

Name: Howard FORE	Home Phone:
Address:	Work Phone:
	Cell Phone: _
Occupation: Retired	E-mail:
I would like to apply for appointment to the follow	wing Board, Committee, or Authority:
Jasper County Public Fac	cilities Authority
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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES

Name: James Thiele	Home Phone:	
Address:	Work Phone:	
	Cell Phone:	
Occupation: Sales Executive	E-mail:	
	e following Board, Committee, or Authority:	
Public Facilities Authority		
How long have you been a resident of Jaspe 10 years	er County?	
Which Jasper County district do you live in (1) (2) (3)		
the Board, Committee, or Authority you ar Having served on this Authority for seven	eral years now, I understand the s background allows me to make	
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Are you in any way related to a County Elected Offic	cial or County Employee? If so, please describe.		
If appointed, I agree to serve and participate in required	and or voluntary training. X YesNo		
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Signature	Application Date		

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JASPER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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APPLICATION FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & AUTHORITIES
Name: WILLIAM H. NASH, JR (BILL) Home Phone:
Address: Work Phone:
Cell Phone:
Occupation: RETIRED E-mail:
I would like to apply for appointment to the following Board, Committee, or Authority:
PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY (PFA)
How long have you been a resident of Jasper County? YEARS
Which Jasper County district do you live in?
(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)
What qualifications, experience, and certifications do you possess that should be considered for
the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?
APRIL OF 2021. ID HE TO THINK MY SERVICE, HAS
BENITED JASPER COUNTY, NOW AND IN FUTURE YEARS.
Are you currently serving on another Board, Committee, Authority or elected position? YesNO If Yes, please list.
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Have you, since the age of 18, ever been convicted of a felony?YesNo
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Would there be any possible conflict of interest between your employment or your family, and y serving on the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?
YesNO If Yes, please explain.
What is your vision for the county's future in relation to the Board, Committee, or Authority you are seeking appointment on?
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EETWEEN PLANNING AND REACTING. I THINK THE
FED IS A FLACE WHERE JASPER CO. CAN DO PLANWING.
Explain your understanding of the duties of this Board, Committee, or Authority:
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NEEDED PUBLIC FACILIES OVER & LONG TERM
THE BOC CANNOT DO ALONE.
Briefly explain why you seek appointment to this Board, Committee, or Authority:
I'D LIKE TO USE MY UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE PEA
WORKS TO CONTINUE SERVING JASPER CO.
Are you in any way related to a County Elected Official or County Employee? If so, please descri
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If appointed, I agree to serve and participate in required and or voluntary training. Yes
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Signature Application Date Application Date
*This application should be submitted to the James Country B 1 . C.

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Business Item 6: Agenda Request Department: Bo

Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC

Department: Board of Commissioners

Date: March 4, 2024

Subject: Appointment of Voting Delegate for Consideration of Three Statewide Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission Members and Regional Advisory Council Members.

Summary:

The memorandum of understanding between the State of Georgia and the Participating Local Governments requires the creation of the Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission and Regional Advisory Councils.

Staff was directed to request from Sheriff Pope, an individual from the Sheriff's Office for a candidate to be appointed as Jasper County's delegate.

Captain Billy Bryant is the candidate from the Jasper County Sheriff's office to be considered for delegate appointment.

Background:

The State of Georgia entered a Settlement Agreement with manufacturers and distributors of opioids. The Department of Behavioral Health & Development Commissioner is the Trustee of the funds. The State's share of the settlement funds is \$479 million. \$191.6 million must be spent on a regional basis.

Cost:

Recommended Motion:

Board Discretion



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ASSOCIATION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA & GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

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Participating Local Governments to Georgia's Opioid Distributor Settlement, including Cities,

Counties, Sheriffs, Community Service Boards, Hospitals and Hospital Authorities, Etc.

FROM:

Dave Wills, ACCG Executive Director & Larry Hanson, GMA Executive Director

DATE:

February 15, 2024

SUBJECT:

Identification of Voting Delegate for Consideration of Three Statewide Georgia Opioid

Settlement Advisory Commission Members (GOSAC) and Regional Advisory Council (RAC)

Members

The Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Georgia and Participating Local Governments as part of Georgia's participation in the national Opioid Distributor and Janssen Settlements requires the creation of the Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC) and Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) to assess grant applications and recommend funding for the regional portion of the opioid settlement funds. As part of the settlement, Participating Local Governments are required to vote on three GOSAC representatives and the RAC members for their respective regions.

Each Participating Local Government will receive one vote as part of this process. This vote will be held at regional, in-person meetings (see the attached list), and the voting delegate must be present to cast his or her vote on behalf of the Participating Local Government. The slate will be approved if the majority of the voting delegates present vote in favor of it. Additional information on the regional meetings will be emailed to the voting delegates.

Please complete and return this form no later than March 15, 2024 to ACCG Administration & Operations Director Beth Brown at bbrown@accg.org as a scanned email attachment or photo. If you choose to send it as a photo, please make sure the information provided below is clear and easy to read. Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

PARTICIPATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT VO	TING DELEGATE FOR GOSAC AND RAC SLATE CONSIDERATION
Name	Title
Participating Local Government	Email
Date	

For questions or additional information, please contact Beth Brown at bbrown@accg.org or 770-262-5092.

Georgia's Opioid Settlement & the Role of Participating Local Governments



Opioid Settlement Highlights

- \$638 million to Georgia over 18 years
- State's share is 75% = \$479 million
- 40% of the state's share = \$191.6 million
 - Must be spent on a regional basis
- State of Georgia and "Participating Local Governments" are bound by a MOU which defines the allocation of these funds



Participating Local Governments

Participating Local Governments are the entities that are included in the opioid settlement:

- Counties (159)
- Cities (107)
- Sheriffs (22)
- Hospitals/Hospital Authorities (12)
- Community Service Boards (16)
- School Districts (1)



Who Else is Involved?

Trustee

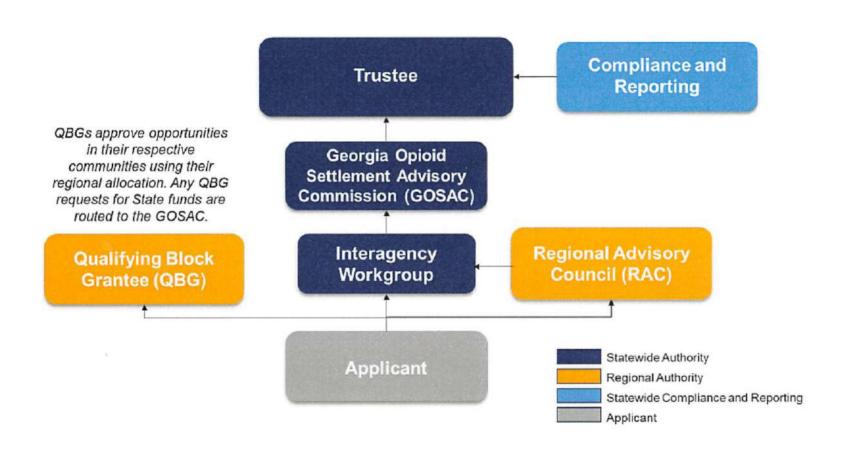
Kevin Tanner, Commissioner
Department of Behavioral Health
& Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD)

Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC)

Regional Advisory Councils (RAC)



Opioid Settlement Regional Funding Structure





Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC)

Provides input into statewide funding needs to abate the opioid crisis and reviews RAC funding recommendations.

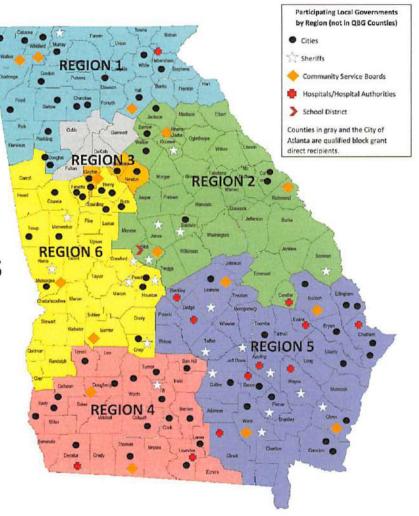
- David Dove (non-voting chair)
- Xavier Crockett
- Cassandra Price
- Gary Sisk
- Grant Thomas
- Community Service Board Representative
- 3 people to be appointed by Participating Local Governments



Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)

6 Regional RACs based on DBHDD regions

Review grant requests from within the region and make recommendations for funding





Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)

Each of the 6 RACs must have at least 3 members and as many as 7. Three are defined by the settlement agreement and 4 were recommended by DBHDD:

- County Board of Health Member (mandatory)
- Community Service Board Member (mandatory)
- Sheriff or Sheriff's Designee (mandatory)
- Academic Member
- Substance Use Provider Licensed by DCH
- Member with Lived Experience or a Family Member
- Judiciary Member



What is Your Role?

Participating Local Governments are responsible for voting on the:

- 3 remaining GOSAC members to represent local governments
- RAC members for your region

ACCG, with assistance from professional organizations, has been working to identify nominees to serve in these roles in order to develop slates for consideration.



GOSAC / RAC Approval Process

- Participating Local Governments each get 1 vote
- You must identify a voting delegate (form to be emailed from and returned to ACCG)
- Voting delegate will cast their vote on behalf of the Participating Local Government at a regional in-person meeting
- The slate will be approved if a majority of those present vote in favor of it
- Slate can only be amended by the majority of those present upon nomination and approval of an alternative nominee





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ASSOCIATION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA & GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

REGIONAL MEETINGS

Region 1

March 21 @ 10 a.m.

Dawson County Government Center/Courthouse BOC Assembly Room (2nd Floor) 25 Justice Way Dawsonville, GA 30534

Region 2

March 25 @ 2 p.m.

Greene County Administration Building 1034 Silver Drive Greensboro, GA 30642

Region 3

March 20 @ 10 a.m.

Rockdale County CE Steele Community Center 1040 Oakland Avenue Conyers, GA 30012

Region 4

March 26 @ 2 p.m.

Colquitt County Administration Building 101 East Central Avenue Moultrie, GA 31678

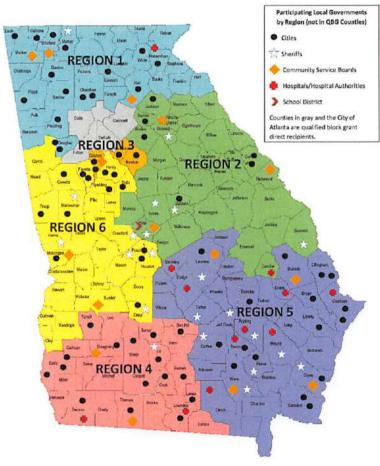
Region 5

March 26 @ 10 a.m.

Appling County Courthouse Annex BOC Meeting Room (2nd Floor) 69 Tippins Street Baxley, GA 31513

Region 6

March 27 @ 10 a.m. Harris County Library 7511 SR 116 Hamilton, GA 31811



Core Strategies for Opioid Settlement Funds

- Naloxone or FDA-approved drugs to reverse overdoses
- Medication-assisted treatment distribution and other opioid treatment
- Pregnant & postpartum women
- Expanding treatment for neonatal abstinence syndrome
- Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services
- Treatment for the incarcerated population
- Prevention programs
- Syringe service programs
- Evidence-based data collection and research on the effectiveness of abatement strategies



Uses of Opioid Settlement Funds

- Prevention
- Treatment
- Recovery
- Harm Reduction
- Research & Evaluation



Next Steps

- Watch for webinar recording and voting delegate form to be sent by email
- Complete and submit voting delegate form
- Make sure voting delegate attends regional meeting

Questions? Contact Beth Brown at bbrown@accg.org or 770-262-5092.



Agenda Request - Jasper County BOC **Department:** Landfill Date: March 4, 2024 **Subject:** Discuss Comments from the February 26, 2024 Public Hearing on Landfill Operations **Summary:** Discussion requested regarding comments from the February 26, 2024 Public Hearing on Landfill Operations. **Background:** Jasper County BOC held a Public Hearing on February 26, 2024 regarding Landfill Operations. Cost: **Recommended Motion: Board Discretion**

Business Item 7:

Business Item 8: Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC **Department:** Planning and Zoning Date: March 4, 2024 Bear Creek Marina Alcohol License Renewal **Subject: Summary:** Bear Creek Marina - Restaurant, Application number 2024-A-011 located at 60 Bear Creek Marina Rd, Mansfield, GA 30055. Name of applicant: Donald Wright – Pouring license for distilled spirits, beer, and wine. – Renewal. **Background:** Bear Creek Marina restaurant was damaged in the January 12, 2023 tornado. Mr. Wright, the owner requested the fee to be waived due that the restaurant was closed for the remainder of 2023. Jasper County 2024 Alcohol license fee is \$3300. Pro-rated fee based on 12 days operating \$108.50 Mr. Wright has paid the required \$100 application fee for 2024. Bear Creek Marina restaurant has completed and passed updated criminal background checks with no infractions and there have been no complaint calls to 911 relating to alcohol in year 2023.

Cost:

Recommended Motion:

Board Discretion in approval of 2024 Alcohol License and fee.

Agenda Request – Jasper County BOC **Department:** City of Monticello Date: March 4, 2024 **Subject:** Downtown Monticello Traffic Pattern **Summary:** Discuss GDOT's recommended plan for the Downtown Monticello Traffic Pattern. **Background:** The Georgia Department of Transportation was asked to develop a Downtown Monticello Traffic Plan to help resolve congestion in Downtown Monticello that occurs where State Routes 11, 16, 83 and 212 intersect. **Cost: Recommended Motion: Board Discretion**

Business Item 9:

Agenda Requ	nest – Jasper County BOC
Department:	Board of Commissioners
Date:	March 4, 2024
Subject:	ACCG Georgia County Internship Program Grant Agreement
	on of County Commissioners (ACCG) offers an internship grant program every year. Staff has e grant again this year and been awarded the grant for one paid intern to assist with the projects for epartment.
• •	gram period is from May 1, 2024 – September 1, 2024. The goal of the grant is for the student to ecific parts of county government operations.
The BOC need grant.	ds to approve the grant agreement, as the funds are to be paid by the county and reimbursed by the
Background:	
Cost:	

Business Item 10:

Recommended Motion: Board Discretion



GEORGIA COUNTY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT is made and ent	ered into by and between the ASSOCIATION COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA	A CIVIC AFFAIRS FOUNDATION, INC., (the
"FOUNDATION"), having its princi	pal office at 191 Peachtree Street, Suite 700, Atlanta,
Georgia, 30303, and	County ("COUNTY"), having its principal
office at	•
In exchange for valuable consideratio	n, the parties agree as follows.

I. GENERAL TERMS.

A. Agreement Term:

This Agreement shall be effective as of the last date of execution by the parties. <u>Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-10-1</u>, approval by the <u>COUNTY'S</u> governing authority and entry on the <u>COUNTY'S</u> minutes is necessary before the parties may execute. Evidence thereof shall be provided to the Foundation from the <u>COUNTY</u> Clerk's Office as requested and incorporated into this Agreement.

B. Purpose of Agreement:

The **FOUNDATION** is providing grant funding through the Georgia County Internship Program pursuant to the grant award letter ("Grant Award Letter") (**Exhibit A**) to reimburse certain costs to the **COUNTY** to employ interns to complete projects as described in the county grant application ("County Grant Application") (**Exhibit B**) from May 1, 2024 until September 1, 2024. This Agreement provides the terms and conditions under which the **COUNTY** may receive reimbursement from the **FOUNDATION**.

II. REIMBURSEMENT TO COUNTY.

In exchange for the **COUNTY** hiring the intern(s) to perform projects as described in the approved County Grant Application and to learn about the operations of county government, the **FOUNDATION** shall provide reimbursement to the **COUNTY** as follows:

A. Use of Grant Funds.

1. Amount of Reimbursement



- a. Hourly Rate. The FOUNDATION shall reimburse the COUNTY for the cost of wages at the rate of \$15.00 per hour for each hour worked up to 200 hours, for a maximum reimbursement of \$3000.00 for wages per intern, per internship, unless the COUNTY has agreed to pay a percentage of the costs as described within the County Grant Application.
 - The COUNTY may pay the intern at a higher rate than \$15.00 per hour at its own expense as provided for in their approved County Grant Application or as established at a later time by the COUNTY. In either case, the COUNTY shall be responsible for payment for all the costs above the reimbursed hourly rate of \$15.00 per hour, including workers' compensation and FICA.
- b. Workers' Compensation. The FOUNDATION shall reimburse the COUNTY for a portion of the cost to cover the intern under the COUNTY'S workers' compensation plan in the Foundation's sole discretion up to a maximum reimbursement rate of up to \$30.00 per intern, per internship.
- c. FICA. The FOUNDATION shall reimburse the COUNTY for a portion of the cost of paying Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) in the Foundation's sole discretion at a maximum reimbursement of up to \$229.50 per intern, per internship.
- 2. Additional Compensation for Intern. The COUNTY may pay the intern(s) in an amount greater than \$15.00 per hour or allow the intern(s) to work more than 200 hours during the grant period. However, the COUNTY will not be entitled to additional grant reimbursement for wages, workers' compensation, FICA or any other employment costs for the additional wages or hours.

III. Obligations of COUNTY:

- A. <u>Use of Grant Funds</u>. Grant reimbursement is limited to the actual amount of wages paid and approved employment costs for up to 200 hours of actual work performed by a qualified intern, from May 1, 2024 to September 1, 2024, for the Foundation approved internship project as described within the attached County Grant Application.
- B. <u>Compensation</u>. The COUNTY shall pay interns funded in whole or in part by this grant a minimum of \$15.00 per hour for each hour suffered or permitted to be worked by the intern.
- C. <u>Internship Requirements</u>. All interns must have on site supervision, be provided with work projects as provided in the approved County Grant Application submitted by the COUNTY and be afforded the opportunity to learn about the operations of county government.
- D. Required Information: Proof of Payment of Intern and Reporting Requirements. Upon completion of the internship, the COUNTY shall provide the following information



to the **FOUNDATION**: (1) copy of the offer letter provided to the intern upon hire; (2) employment verification, including the E-Verify usage and acknowledgement form (E-Verify Usage and Acknowledgement Form") (**Exhibit C**); (3) proof of payment for each payment period for every intern receiving funding through this Agreement; (4) signed and completed reimbursement form ("Reimbursement Form") (**Exhibit D**); and (5) completed Intern Evaluation Form (**Exhibit E**). All required information shall be submitted by the **COUNTY** and received by the **FOUNDATION** by October 11, 2024 in order to be eligible to receive grant reimbursement.

- E. <u>Hiring of Intern</u>. In order to be eligible to receive the reimbursement provided for in Paragraph A of Section II of this Agreement, the COUNTY must hire an intern who is an undergraduate student, graduate student, recent college graduate, or a high school student 16 years of age or older who is dually enrolled in a college program, as an employee to perform the projects as provided for in the approved County Grant Application. The COUNTY may not hire an intern as an independent contractor for reimbursement under this Agreement. The intern hired must be willing and agreeable to having certain information shared about them and their internship pursuant to this Agreement. The COUNTY must submit to the FOUNDATION no later than July 15, 2024; intern consent form ("Intern Consent Form") (Exhibit F); the intern information form ("Intern Information Form" (Exhibit G); and an intern photograph.
- F. <u>Tax Withholdings</u>. The COUNTY is responsible for withholding all applicable state and federal income taxes on an intern's earnings.
- G. Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices. The COUNTY agrees to comply with federal and state laws, rules and regulations, relative to nondiscrimination in employment practices because of political affiliation, religion, race, color, sex, disability, age over 40 years, national origin or any other protected class as provided by law. Nondiscrimination in employment practices is applicable to employees, applicants for employment, promotions, demotions, dismissal and other elements affecting employment/employees.
- H. Compliance with Applicable Provisions of Federal and State Laws and Regulations. The COUNTY agrees to comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including, but not limited to:
 - The Americans with Disabilities Act. The COUNTY agrees to comply with all
 applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and any
 relevant federal and state laws, rules and regulations regarding employment
 practices toward individuals with disabilities and the availability/accessibility of
 programs, activities, or services for clients with disabilities.
 - 2. Fair Labor Standards Act
 - Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act. The COUNTY agrees to comply with all of the E-Verify usage and hiring requirements as provided for in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(a).



- I. <u>Duty to Notify FOUNDATION</u>. It shall be the duty of the COUNTY to notify the FOUNDATION if an intern quits or is terminated by the COUNTY within five (5) days of separation.
- J. Nepotism. If the COUNTY has a nepotism policy for new hires, that policy shall apply to the hire and engagement of any intern reimbursed in whole or in part through this grant. In the absence of such a policy, the COUNTY shall refrain from hiring interns who are closely related by blood or marriage to COUNTY employees or officials who have a hiring or supervisory role over the intern. The COUNTY shall apply its personnel policies on dating in the workplace to any intern hired through this grant. If the COUNTY fails to follow these requirements, the COUNTY will not receive grant funding for any of the interns who have been involved in any of the aforementioned activities at the sole discretion of the FOUNDATION.
- K. <u>Campaign and Other Impermissible Activities</u>. Interns hired through the Georgia County Internship Program and paid through grant funding are not permitted to work on campaigns for elections of commissioners or for any other elected official as part of their work with the COUNTY. Interns are further not permitted to run personal errands for COUNTY officials and staff or work on projects that are unrelated to county government. If the COUNTY fails to follow these requirements, they will not receive grant funding for any of the interns who have been involved in any of the aforementioned activities at the sole discretion of the FOUNDATION.

IV. CONTRACT MODIFICATION

No amendment, modification, or alteration of this **AGREEMENT** shall be valid or effective unless such modification is made in writing and signed by both parties.

V. TERMINATION

This Agreement may be terminated in the following circumstances:

- A. <u>Due to default or for cause</u>. The FOUNDATION may terminate this AGREEMENT at any time if the COUNTY fails to perform any of its obligations under this AGREEMENT and fails to cure any breach within 10 days of a notice of breach and intention to terminate by the FOUNDATION. The COUNTY shall be required to submit all required information identified in Section III (D) not later than 20 days after the date of written notice of termination. The COUNTY shall not receive any grant reimbursement for costs incurred after the date of termination or in the event a breach occurred that could not be satisfied.
- B. <u>Due to Early Separation of Intern</u>. Should the intern funded by this grant be separated from the COUNTY'S employment prior to the expiration of their internship period, this AGREEMENT shall terminate within 20 days of the separation unless another



undergraduate student, graduate student, recent graduate, or a high school student 16 years of age or older who is dually enrolled in a college program, is hired to continue and complete the approved internship within the grant period and at least 100 hours are remaining of the internship.

- C. <u>Natural Termination</u>. Unless otherwise terminated, this Agreement shall terminate December 31, 2024.
- **D.** <u>Survival</u>. The following sections shall survive termination for any reason of this Agreement: Access to Records, Records Retention, and Investigation; Hold Harmless; Program Publicity and COUNTY Participation;

VI. Access to Records, Records Retention, and Investigation

- A. The FOUNDATION shall have access to any pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of the COUNTY for the purpose of making audit examinations, excerpts, and transcripts. The COUNTY shall retain all records related to this grant for seven years from submission of the required information. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the seven-year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.
- B. The COUNTY agrees that the FOUNDATION has the authority to investigate any allegation of misconduct made by the COUNTY pertaining to this Agreement. The COUNTY agrees to cooperate fully in such investigations by providing the FOUNDATION reasonable access to its records and any other resources as necessary to investigate the allegation.

VII. Hold Harmless

To the extent permitted by law, the **COUNTY** agrees to hold harmless the **FOUNDATION**, Association County Commissioners of Georgia, their employees and agents for any claim growing out of any action performed by the **COUNTY**, its agents or employees under any provision of this contract.

VIII. Program Publicity and COUNTY Participation

A. The COUNTY agrees to allow preplanned site visits from the FOUNDATION for the purpose of interviewing the intern(s) and supervisor, taking photographs, video, or audio, and reviewing projects that have been assigned. The COUNTY further agrees that any photographs or information obtained during such site visits may be used to promote the Georgia County Internship Program and FOUNDATION, which may include, but is not limited to, usage through websites, social networking sites, brochures, press releases, and other forms of media.



- B. The COUNTY further agrees that any promotional information by the COUNTY regarding the Georgia County Internship Program must be preapproved by the FOUNDATION.
- C. The COUNTY additionally agrees that any research, study, review, or analysis relative to the Georgia County Internship Program, or internship, conducted by or on behalf of the COUNTY must be reviewed and approved by the FOUNDATION.

XI. Miscellaneous Provisions

- **A.** The intern is an employee of the county. At no time shall the intern be considered an employee or independent contractor of the **FOUNDATION**, or the Association County Commissioners of Georgia.
- **B.** Neither the **FOUNDATION** nor any of its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall be considered a partner, employee, or agent of the **COUNTY**.
- C. Neither party to this **AGREEMENT** shall have the authority to bind the other party.

This AGREEMENT is executed and shall be controlled by the laws of the State of Georgia.

XII. CONTRACT EXHIBIT INCLUSION:

This contract includes the following exhibits, which are attached and incorporated herein by reference:

Exhibit A	Grant Award Letter
Exhibit B	County Grant Application
Exhibit C	E-Verify Usage and Acknowledgement Form
Exhibit D	Reimbursement Form
Exhibit E	Intern Evaluation Form
Exhibit F	Intern Consent Form
Exhibit G	Intern Information Form

ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation

COUNTY:	ASSOCIATION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA CIVIC AFFAIRS FOUNDATION, INC:
Signature	Signature
Printed Name	Dave Wills Printed Name
Title:	Secretary-Treasurer Title:
This day of, 2024	This day of, 2024
COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION	
Association County Commissioners of County Gorand open to the public on	gia County Internship Program Grant Agreement with the of Georgia Civic Affairs Foundation, Inc. was adopted by the verning Authority in a meeting that was properly advertised, 2024, and that the original of said agreement of the County, which is in my custody and control.
WITNESS my hand and the official s	seal of the governing authority of County.
(SEAL)	
	Clerk



February 6, 2024

Ms. Shelia Belcher 126 West Greene St, Suite 18 Monticello, GA 31064

Dear Ms. Belcher,

I am pleased to inform you that Jasper County has been awarded a **Georgia County Internship Program** (GCIP) grant from the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Civic Affairs Foundation ("ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation") contingent upon the parties entering into the terms and conditions of the Georgia County Internship Program Grant Agreement (the "Agreement") that this grant award letter is incorporated hereto. A grant contract package is enclosed for you to complete and return. Upon proper completion of such as solely determined by the ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation, this grant is awarded for the 2024 summer program in the amount of \$3,259.50 for the Finance Department Intern project to cover one internship. The grant provided must be used to fund costs associated with the intern's salary, FICA, and worker's compensation as specified in the Agreement.

Please contact Michele NeSmith at mnesmith@accg.org or at 404-922-8737 if you need assistance with grant requirements or in publicizing the proposed internship position. While the ACCG Civic Affairs Foundation will post this position through their website and help to publicize it through other channels, it is the responsibility of the County to recruit, interview and hire the intern. In the event the County is unable to hire a summer intern for the project description provided, the grant award designated for this purpose will be rescinded in full.

Congratulations and thank you for participating in the GCIP 2024 grant program.

Sincerely,

Dave Wills

Association County Commissioners of Georgia Civic Affairs Foundation Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Chair William Jernigan Larissa Ruark Sheila Belcher Mike Benton



Georgia County Internship Program Grant Application Summer 2024

Applicants should read the entire GCIP Application Packet prior to completing this form.

This application has three sections. Section I requires the applicant to indicate the grant category for the application. Section II requires the applicant to provide answers to a series of questions and Section III requires a detailed description of the internship project being proposed, the need it addresses, and the expected benefits to the county. More information on how to complete the application can be found in the GCIP Application Process and Guidelines document.

The application deadline for the 2024 GCIP grant program is Monday, December 18, 2023

Applications should be sent to **Michele NeSmith** at the Foundation via email to mnesmith@accg.org .

Please note that factors that influence consideration include but are not limited to the type of project submitted, the overall impact and benefit to the county of the project(s) proposed, the ability to partially fund the internship position(s), collaboration with other counties, regional commissions, colleges/universities, and/or non-profits, and the number of interns requested.

Reminder: Interns should be <u>currently enrolled</u> in college as undergraduate or graduate students or have recently graduated from college within one year of the grant period. High school students 16 years of age or older who are dually enrolled in a college or university are also eligible. Interns cannot work more than 200 total hours during the grant period unless the county agrees to pay for all expenses beyond the 200-hour period. The county and the intern can decide how many hours the intern works per week and the total number of weeks worked. It is recommended that the minimum hours worked per week be no less than 15 hours.



Section I: Grant Category

Select (X) the grant category for this application.

General GCII	eral GCIP Grant X			X
Kundell Environmental Grant				
Garner Heal	Garner Health and Human Services Grant			
Verizon Gran	nt			
Section II:	General Gran	t Information		
County Name:		<u>Jasper</u>		
County E-Verif	y Number:	299199		
Number of Inte	erns Requested:	1		
Are you submi	tting an applicati	on that includes a partner	?	☐ Yes ⊠No
List partners				
Is your partner a		□Yes □ No		
And the state of t	nonprofit, college, or			
	university?			
	List contribution level\$600 (25%)Other			Charles to the contract of
(Partners can include other counties, regional commissions, colleges/universities, and/or non-profit organizations. Partnerships with colleges/universities, and/or non-profit organizations must include at least a 25% funding contribution from those entities.)				
	Name of Grant Coordinator or Sheila Belcher			
	other Primary Contact:			
County:	Jasper			
Department:	Human Resources			
Position:	HR Director			
Address:	126 West Greene Street, Suite 18, Monticello, GA 31064 sbelcher@jaspercountyga.org Phone: 706-468-4900			
Email:	speicher@jasper	countyga.org	Phone:	700-408-4900
Is the county providing partial funding of the amount needed to fund the \square Yes \boxtimes No			☐ Yes ⊠ No	
internship? (Total cost of the internship is \$3,000 plus FICA and WC supplement)				
What amount? \$:			\$:	
OR				



Is th	e county providii	ng additional funding? (on top of the grant an	nount)	☐ Yes	s □X No
What amount? \$:					
Who w	ill be the supervi	sor for the intern?			
☐ Sa	ame as grant coo	rdinator or other primary county contact			
$\square X$	Other				
	Name:	Larissa Ruark	A Trail		
	Department:	Finance			
	Position:	Chief Accounting Officer			
	Address:	126 West Greene Street, Suite 18, Monticel	o, GA 31	064	
	Email:	Iruark@jaspercountyga.org	Phone:	706-468-49	00
Has this	s individual previ	ously supervised interns?		⊠Yes	□ No
s adeq	uate space availa	able to support an intern?		⊠Yes	□ No
s adeq	uate equipment	available (computer, software programs, etc.) for the	⊠Yes	□ No
		proposed project(s)?			
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project					
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		ur county plans to recruit and advertise the in	ternshin	nosition:	
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Section III: Project Description and Intern Position Title

Project Information

Internship position title: | Finance Department Intern

In the gray space below, please FULLY describe the internship position being proposed, the need it addresses, the benefits to the county, and the necessary intern qualifications. The space will expand when you start to type. Include no more than 1-2 additional pages to describe the internship. More information can be found in the GCIP Application Process and Guidelines document.

Jasper County Board of Commissioners Accounting internship offers the opportunity to work on a new project by physically inspecting and recording inventory of all of Jasper County capital assets. Jasper County currently does not have an inventory tracking process for capital assets throughout the county. The intern will work with the County Manager, Finance Department, Constitutional Officers, and Department Heads in order to validate capital assets on a departmental basis. The intern will be a vital part in streamlining and improving the process of auditing capital assets. Inventory tracking is an integral part of capital asset tracking for internal controls as well as audit requirements. The project will consist of multiple steps. The Chief Accounting Officer will lead and direct the intern throughout the entirety of the internship. Jasper County capital assets are currently maintained on an Excel spreadsheet. This sheet is not integrated with any software and has to be manually updated each fiscal year. This includes recording asset additions, disposals and any junked assets.

This project will help create an inventory tracking process for all of our County departments. This process is important because it will assist with streamlining the audit process. It will also assist in asset planning for budgeting purposes. This project will allow Jasper County to be more efficient in regards to financial forecasting of large capital asset purchases.

The Chief Accounting Officer will work side by side with Human Resources Director to advertise and recruit the intern. They will use the local newspaper, county website, county Facebook page, word of mouth, and work with technical colleges in Jasper County and



surrounding areas. They will also work with local organizations who may have insight of potential applicants.
Ideal intern candidates will be those who plan to work in the Finance or Business Management areas of government post-graduation, and who have strong technical, financial, and communication skills.

For questions, email mnesmith@accg.org or call (404) 992-8737

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Business Item 11:			
Agenda Request – Ja	asper County BOC		
Department:	Human Resources		
Date:	March 4, 2024		
Subject:	Human Resources and County Boards Report		
Summary: Staff will present a Human Resources Report and Board Appointments needed. Background: Staff has been requested to provide a Human Resources Report along with upcoming expired Board appointments to the Board of Commissioners. Reports will be provided in the months of March, June, September, and December going forward. Cost: None			

Recommended Motion:
None Required



Jasper County Human Resources Report

Period Covered: December 2023 - February 2024

Current Open Positions

EMT

Paramedics

911 Dispatchers

Code Enforcement Officer

Public Works Mechanic

Public Works Operator I

New Hires/Transfers

Sheriff Office – 3 (1 of these is part-time)

Public Works/Landfill-1

Human Resources-1

Recreation-1

P & Z- 1

Clerk of Courts- 1

Jail- 2

Terminations/Resignations

Jail- 1

Public Works - 1

Recreation-1

Sheriff - 1

Clerk of Courts- 1

Total Employees = 172

Full-time = 114

Part-time = 54



Jasper County Boards Report

Period Covered: April 2024-June 2024

Upcoming Board Appointments Needed:

- Economic Development Authority (3)
- Jasper County Water & Sewer Authority (1)
- Board of Assessors (1)

Business Item 12: Agenda Request - Jasper County BOC **Department:** Board of Commissioners Date: March 4, 2024 **Subject:** Schedule Work Sessions and Called Meetings as Needed **Summary:** Schedule Work Sessions and Called Meetings As Needed Work Session to be Scheduled Work Session with a Public Hearing for Short Term Rentals **Background:**

Cost:

Recommended Motion:

Board Discretion