

**NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**1124 Clark Street**  
**Covington, Georgia**  
**AGENDA SUMMARY**  
**April 20, 2021**

7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Marcello Banes
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Agenda Adoption

**Commissioner Mason motioned to approve the Agenda.  
Commissioner Sanders made the second. Approved (5-0)**

5. Citizen Comments
6. Chairman's Report:
7. County Manager's Report:  
PowerPoint Presentation
8. Old Business: (Tabled April 6, 2021)  
County Manager: Discussion/consideration of Lease  
Agreement with Snapping Shoals for Fairview Park lighting.

**Commissioner Sanders motioned to approve the contract  
with Snapping Shoals for lighting at the Fairview Park.  
Commissioner Mason made the second. Approved (5-0)**

9. Consent Agenda
- 9a. Fire Services: Seeking approval to accept the Publix Grant
  - Amount: \$1000
  - No match
  - No cost to Newton County
- 9b. Recreation: Requesting permission to apply for the Kubota Hometown Grant
  - Amount: \$100,000
  - No match
  - Funds will be used to for park upgrades
- 9c. Recreation: Requesting permission to apply for the Georgia Power Grant.
  - Amount: \$25,000
  - No match
  - Funds will be used to for park upgrades
- 9d. Recreation: Requesting permission to apply for the AARP Grant.
  - Amount: \$25,000
  - No match

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- 9e. County Clerk: Approval of BOC Minutes dated April 6, 2021

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with a second from Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)

10. Finance: Monthly Financials – March, 2021  
11. Finance: Budget Transfer – Additional \$50,000 to Coroner Department.

Commissioner Henderson made the motion to approve the budget transfer in the amount of \$50,000 with a second by Commissioner Mason. Approved (4-1 with Commissioner Edwards opposed)

12. Finance: Approval of Coroner Dorothea Bailey-Butts PCard Application
- Credit Limit: \$5,000 month

Commissioner Henderson made the motion to approve the PCard for Coroner Dorothea Bailey-Butts with a credit limit of \$5,000 per month. A second was made by Commissioner Sanders. Approved (4-1 with Commissioner Cowan opposed)

13. Fire Services: Requesting permission to purchase rescue tools/equipment.
- Cost: \$94,439.00
  - Budgeted: Yes
  - Rescue tools and vehicle stabilization equipment for 2 new fire engines.

Commissioner Edwards made the motion to approve the request for rescue tools/equipment at a cost of no more than \$94,439.00 with a second from Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)

14. Purchasing/Finance: Approval of Agreement for Postage Machines for Administration Building and two at the Judicial Center.
- Cost: \$115.15 per machine per quarter
  - Funding Source: General Fund
  - Budgeted: Yes

Commissioner Mason made the motion to approve with a second from Commissioner Henderson. Approved (5-0)

7:30 PM

**ZONINGS – PUBLIC HEARING**

The applicant and those in favor of the petition are allowed ten-minutes to address the board. In addition, ten-minutes are allotted for those in opposition to the petition.

15. Rezoning Case Number REZ20-000011  
Location: 2001 Dogwood Drive  
Map & Parcel Number: 24-038  
FLUM: DN (Development Node)  
Zoning: R2 (Single Family Residential)  
Acreage: 28.73 acres  
Request: Rezone entire parcel from F2 to M1 to develop property for a warehouse.  
District 1

Note: The applicant has requested to table the public hearing for up to 90 days to allow the applicant time to meet with the concerned citizens to address their concerns. The Public Hearing will be re-advertised by legal ad, written notification to adjoining property owners and signage with the new hearing date at least 15 days prior to being heard by the Board of Commissioners.

Motion made by Commissioner Sanders to table the petition for up to 90 days to allow the applicant to work with the community. A second was made by Commissioner Edwards. Approved (5-0)

16. Citizen Comments
17. Commissioner Comments
18. Executive Session

None

19. Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)