

**NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**1124 Clark Street**  
**Covington, Georgia**  
**AGENDA SUMMARY**  
August 18, 2020

7:03 p.m.

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

Chairman Banes noted the following change needed to be made to the agenda: Add Item 9.a. O-081820, An Ordinance of the Newton County Board of Commissioners Amending Chapter 31, General Offenses, to Enact an Ordinance Addressing the Wearing of a Face Covering or Mask While in Public Places, and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Mason motioned to approve the Agenda with the changes. Commissioner Schulz made the second.  
Approved (5-0)

4. Citizen Comments
5. Chairman's Report
  - Sheriff Brown will be presenting the Medal of Merit from the National Sheriff's Association to the Almond Turner family.
  - Dr. Tavarez Holston, President of Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Dr. Irvin Clark, Vice President Economic Development, GPTC
  - ~~Serra Hall, IDA/JDA Update~~
6. County Manager's Report
  - Power Point Presentation
7. Old Business: None
8. Consent Agenda
- 8a. Appointment: Library Board, District 4 – Bobbie Shepherd
- 8b. Appointment: Library Board, District 5 – Carol Moss
- 8c. Superior Court/Resource Court: Seeking approval for grant-funded contractors to provide treatment services to Resource Court participants FY2021.

- 1) Independent Contractor: Southeastern Psychological Associates of Newton County, Georgia.
  - 2) Independent Contractor: View Point Health.
- 8d. Finance: Requesting approval to declare as Surplus.
- 8e. Attorney: Seeking ratification of Estoppel Certificate with GST Capital Partners, LLC (cell tower)
- 8f. BOC: Ratification of 2020-2021 Lease renewal with Georgia Department of Natural Resource, Wildlife Division for Gaither Wildlife Management Area.
- 8g. Juvenile: Requesting approval of contact with Impact Counseling & Consulting LLC.  
Amount: \$71,880  
Budgeted: Yes  
Funding Source: Grant funded

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Mason and a second from Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

9. BOC: RESOLUTION R081820, A RESOLUTION OF THE NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENDORSING A "DO OUR PART SO SCHOOL CAN START" INITIATIVE.

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to approve R081820, A Resolution of the Newton County Board of Commissioners Endorsing a "Do Our Part So School Can Start" Initiative with a modification of paragraph #1, to add after "hygiene measures" the following text: "including the use of asks and staying home when sick". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mason.  
Approved (5-0)

- 9.a. O-081820, An Ordinance of the Newton County Board of Commissioners Amending Chapter 31, General Offenses, to Enact an Ordinance Addressing the Wearing of a Face Covering or Mask While in Public Places, and for Other Purposes.

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to approve O-081820, An Ordinance of the Newton County Board of Commissioners Amending Chapter 31, General Offenses, to

Enact an Ordinance Addressing the Wearing of a Face Covering or Mask While in Public Places, and for Other Purposes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mason.

Approved (4-1 with Commissioner Edwards voting in opposition)

10. Sheriff's Office/Purchasing: Requesting approval of contract with Basesix.  
Amount: \$480,000.  
Budgeted: Yes  
Funding Source: Capital Improvements

Motion made by Commissioner Henderson and a second by Commissioner Mason to approve the contract with Basesix in the amount of \$480,000.00

Approved (5-0)

11. Finance: Request for budget transfer for Sheriff's Office.

Motion made by Commissioner Henderson and a second by Commissioner Mason to approve as stated by the Finance Director.

Approved (5-0)

12. Public Works: Requesting the Board of Commissioners award right of way acquisition services to BK&M. PC for transportation projects #0015095, #0015096, and 0015097.  
Amount: \$160,000 (estimate)  
Funding Source: 100% GDOT/FHWA reimbursable

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to award the right of way acquisition services to BK&M for transportation projects #0015095, #0015096, and 0015097 in the amount of \$160,000 with a second by Commissioner Mason.

Approved (5-0)

13. Attorney: Consideration of Construction Maintenance, and Indemnification Agreement Among Newton County, Georgia, Georgia Association of Future Farmers of America; Robert White Aiken, Travis Campbell Aiken; and roxann C. Aiken for FFA Camp Road.

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Construction Maintenance, and Indemnification Agreement Among Newton County, Georgia, Georgia Association of Future Farmers of America; Robert White Aiken, Travis

Campbell Aiken; and Roxann C. Aiken for FFA Camp Road.  
Commissioner Schulz seconded the motion.  
Approved (5-0)

14. Attorney: Discussion/Consideration of Quit Claim Deed for the transfer of Savannah Drive right of way to Mansfield.

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Quit Claim Deed for the transfer of Savannah Drive right of way to Mansfield with a second by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

15. Facilities/Purchasing: Requesting approval of change order for Five Fields.  
Amount: \$13,317.00 (total contract: \$82,734.00.  
Budgeted: Yes  
Funding Source: Facilities/landfill pays for their properties which is a part of this total.

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to approve the change order for Five Fields in the Amount of \$13,317.00 with a second by Commissioner Edwards.  
Approved (5-0)

16. Animal Services/Senior Services/Purchasing: Requesting approval of Addendum 1 for Project Manager, Ascension over Animal Services/Senior Services Contract.  
Amount: \$8, 500  
Budgeted: Yes  
Funding Source: 2017 SPLOST

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards for approval of Addendum 1 for Project Manager, Ascension over Animal Services/Senior Services Contract in the Amount of \$8, 500.00 with a second by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

17. Attorney: Board consideration of Purchase Agreement for 0.64 acres of fee simple in the amount of \$9,733.11 for installation of Northwood Oak Drive improvement project (owner: R.J. Fields; tax parcel 0057 097)

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz with a second by Commissioner Edwards to Purchase Agreement for 0.64 acres of fee simple in the amount of \$9,733.11 for installation of Northwood Oak Drive improvement project (owner: R.J. Fields; tax parcel 0057 097).  
Approved (5-0)

**7:30 PM**

**ZONING/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. This ten-minute allotment does not include a response.

COUNTY  
TEMPORARILY  
510-480(C)(4) OF THE COUNTY  
ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO CONDITIONAL  
USE PERMITS REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL AND CHILD  
CARE SERVICES AT PLACES OF WORSHIP IN  
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS.

18. R081820A – A RESOLUTION OF THE NEWTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO  
SUSPENDING SECTION  
ZONING

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards to approve R081820A, A Resolution of the Newton County Board of Commissioners to Temporarily Suspending Section 510-480 (C)(4) of the County Zoning Ordinances Pertaining to Conditional Use Permits Required for School and Child Care Services at Places of Worship in Residential Districts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

Staff's  
2020 meeting.

19. Rezoning Case Number: REZ20-000007  
Planning Commission recommended approval with  
Conditions by a vote of (4/0) at the July 28,

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards for approval of REZ20-000007 with Staff Conditions. A second was made by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

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Crossing  
(Agricultural Residential) to R1 (Single  
Residential).

20. R081820b – Map Correction 20-000001, To correct  
portion of the parcel located in Underwood  
Subdivision from AR  
Family

Motion made by Commissioner Mason for approval of R081820b – Map Correction 20-000001, To correct the portion of the parcel located in Underwood Crossing Subdivision from AR (Agricultural Residential) to R1 (Single Family Residential). A second was made by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

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the correct

21. R081820c – Map Correction 20-000002, To correct entire parcel located at 1094 Access Road to zoning of CH (Highway Commercial)

Motion made by Commissioner Henderson for approval of R081820c – Map Correction 20-000002, To correct the entire parcel located at 1094 Access Road to the correct zoning of CH (Highway Commercial). A second was made by Commissioner Mason.  
Approved (5-0)

22. ALCOHOL LICENSE  
Final Reading  
Kwik Stop  
11230 GA 36  
Covington, Georgia 30014  
Karim Ali  
District 5

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan to approve the Alcohol License for the Kwik Stop located at 11230 GA 36, Covington, Georgia 30014 for Karim Ali. A second was made by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

23. Citizen Comments
24. Commissioner Comments
25. Executive Session

9:22 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of potential litigation with a second by Commissioner Schulz.  
Approved (5-0)

9:58 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to enter into Regular Session with a second by Commissioner Cowan.  
Approved (5-0)

26. Adjourn

9:59 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Cowan.  
Approved (5-0)

