

**WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020 AT 4:30 P.M.**

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administration Building. Present for the meeting were: Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, Commissioner Craig Bryant, County Manager Jason Cobb, Finance Director Jodi Ligon, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Pastor Jeff Groves of The Bridge Church and the White County Ministerial Alliance, provided the invocation.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the minutes of the Work Session & Called Meeting held August 24, 2020, the Called Meeting held September 3, 2020, and the Work Session & Called Meeting held September 28, 2020.

Mr. Kevin Hamby, SPLOST Manager, made the following presentation:



### 2014 SPLOST PROGRAM UPDATE

Original SPLOST Referendum Estimated Revenue: \$ 19,000,000  
Revised Estimated Revenue (Actual & Projected): \$ 26,265,675  
Estimated White County Share (Actual & Projected): \$ 19,242,234  
SPLOST Program Actual Monthly Distributions: 70 of 72 (97%)

### Administration

- Debt Service – July 2020/January 2021 \$ 943,702  
(This represents the final payment on Jail debt)
- Hulsey Road Water Upgrade \$ 100,000
- Courthouse Architectural Service \$ 95,465
- Elections \$ 446
- Courthouse Access Controls \$ 4,637
- Security Camera System \$ 50,051

**Total: \$ 1,194,301**

### Roads and Bridges

- Heavy Equipment Lease \$ 14,762
- 2020 LMIG–Westmoreland Rd \$ 8,076
- 2020 Spring Paving \$ 1,298,549

**Total: \$ 1,321,387**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
<b>E911, Fire, Sheriff's Office</b>	
■ E911 Phone Switch & System	\$ 20,402
■ Fire Truck Ford Chassis (2)	\$ 110,000
■ Patrol Vehicles (5)	\$ 241,634
■ Ballistic Shields for Courthouse (2)	\$ 9,090
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 381,126</b>

<b>2014/2020 SPLOST CASH FLOW YEAR END 2020</b>	
Current Operating Account Balance:	\$ 1,870,243
Current Debt Service Account Balance:	\$ 2,232,140
Total Expected Collections (WC Share 2020)	\$ 720,720
Total Amount Available 2020	\$ 4,823,103
<b>Less SPLOST Commitments to Date (Encumbrances):</b>	
Administration	\$ 1,194,301
Road and Bridges	\$ 1,321,387
Public Safety	\$ 381,126
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 2,896,814</b>
<b>TOTAL SPLOST AVAILABLE BY YEAR END 2020:</b>	<b>\$ 1,926,289</b>

## **Discussion**

In discussing the comparison of Union County and White County's SPLOST programs, Mr. Hamby advised that the Union County double gymnasium project was nearing completion and had cost approximately \$4 million. Sheriff Walden asked if all newly paved roads would have a traffic study done to evaluate if the Sheriff's Office could utilize radar on the roads which had previously been gravel. Mr. Cobb stated that he would follow up with him on that.

Ms. Jodi Ligon presented the following Financial Status Report:

# White County Board of Commissioners

August 2020  
Pre-Audit  
Financial Report  
October 5, 2020

## General Fund Revenues & Expenditures

FY2021 Approved Budget = \$19,778,496

August – Pre-Audit  
Revenues - \$ 703,123  
Expenditures - \$ 1,436,359

YTD  
Revenues - \$ 1,479,419 (7%)  
Expenditures - \$ 2,998,194 (15%)

2 months of 12 = 17%

## FY2017 – 2021 Alcohol Taxes & Fees

FY2021 Budget = \$136,350 8% Rec'd

Description	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020 Pre-Audit	FY2021 Pre-Audit
License Fees	\$35,127	\$38,719	\$43,382	\$45,435	\$0
Excise Tax	\$85,592	\$84,350	\$83,289	\$86,457	\$10,600
<b>Total Alcohol Fees &amp; Taxes</b>	<b>\$120,719</b>	<b>\$123,069</b>	<b>\$126,671</b>	<b>\$131,892</b>	<b>\$10,600</b>

## FY2017 – 2021 TAVT (Title Ad Valorem Tax)

FY2021 Budget = \$1,020,000 30% Rec'd

MONTH	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020 Pre-Audit	FY2021 Pre-Audit
JUL	\$58,370	\$76,727	\$74,715	\$136,306	\$153,972
AUG	\$81,052	\$71,772	\$104,393	\$144,099	\$152,696
SEP	\$71,045	\$61,588	\$80,222	\$135,669	
OCT	\$52,585	\$71,896	\$85,576	\$117,060	
NOV	\$64,319	\$66,380	\$73,190	\$109,057	
DEC	\$57,170	\$73,003	\$69,568	\$116,593	
JAN	\$63,219	\$76,167	\$93,225	\$145,633	
FEB	\$61,124	\$80,747	\$67,961	\$113,050	
MAR	\$78,744	\$92,573	\$96,055	\$135,855	
APR	\$63,432	\$88,681	\$92,761	\$77,925	
MAY	\$71,513	\$93,643	\$77,858	\$113,550	
JUN	\$85,349	\$85,883	\$98,165	\$134,243	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$807,922</b>	<b>\$939,060</b>	<b>\$1,013,689</b>	<b>\$1,479,040</b>	<b>\$306,668</b>

### FY2017 – 2021 Local Option Sales Tax

FY2021 Budget = \$2,910,358 21% Rec'd

MONTH	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020 Pre-Audit	FY2021 Pre-Audit
JUL	\$225,542	\$226,216	\$241,757	\$262,785	\$297,868
AUG	\$232,992	\$247,945	\$264,181	\$286,083	\$312,028
SEP	\$197,831	\$218,264	\$228,659	\$254,983	
OCT	\$195,376	\$231,679	\$226,816	\$256,146	
NOV	\$221,850	\$223,302	\$257,618	\$268,171	
DEC	\$197,581	\$208,590	\$229,047	\$255,898	
JAN	\$207,202	\$224,281	\$231,065	\$266,878	
FEB	\$170,721	\$184,527	\$184,313	\$229,921	
MAR	\$166,331	\$180,396	\$210,193	\$210,195	
APR	\$188,654	\$213,547	\$233,021	\$228,103	
MAY	\$200,930	\$210,612	\$223,684	\$213,733	
JUN	\$212,704	\$211,133	\$244,016	\$268,557	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,417,713</b>	<b>\$2,580,492</b>	<b>\$2,774,370</b>	<b>\$3,001,453</b>	<b>\$609,896</b>

### FY2017 – 2021 Hotel / Motel Tax

FY2021 Budget - \$890,900 33% Rec'd

MONTH	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020 Pre-Audit	FY2021 Pre-Audit
JUL	\$79,019	\$79,034	\$83,289	\$104,588	\$120,932
AUG	\$106,593	\$112,268	\$113,190	\$125,026	\$176,030
SEP	\$55,251	\$68,736	\$74,019	\$83,767	
OCT	\$68,390	\$80,606	\$73,197	\$95,041	
NOV	\$108,396	\$109,368	\$119,335	\$123,552	
DEC	\$76,102	\$72,025	\$95,745	\$99,301	
JAN	\$69,390	\$82,343	\$85,132	\$98,634	
FEB	\$41,343	\$47,528	\$52,907	\$59,018	
MAR	\$41,473	\$43,670	\$47,790	\$50,630	
APR	\$59,647	\$67,617	\$75,851	\$46,562	
MAY	\$58,751	\$68,680	\$75,170	\$17,970	
JUN	\$59,718	\$62,209	\$82,186	\$72,217	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$824,073</b>	<b>\$894,084</b>	<b>\$977,811</b>	<b>\$976,306</b>	<b>\$296,962</b>

## SPLOST 2014 Update

Start Date: December 2014      End Date: November 2020

August 2020 is 69th month of 72

**Receipts = \$ 540,975**

1% County Administration Fee = \$ 5,410  
 Cleveland & Helen portions = \$ 69,623 each  
 County portion = \$ 396,319  
 Earmarked Debt Service Funds = \$ 100,000  
 Project Fund Account = \$ 296,319

### SPLOST2014 Receipts

Calendar Year History - Total To Date \$24,670,905

MONTH	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
JAN	X	\$310,591	\$312,801	\$345,335	\$373,801	\$385,109	\$444,485
FEB	X	\$263,653	\$254,958	\$284,536	\$307,546	\$307,188	\$370,656
MAR	X	\$253,633	\$271,384	\$277,218	\$300,660	\$350,322	\$350,308
APR	X	\$272,335	\$297,271	\$314,424	\$355,912	\$388,368	\$376,318
MAY	X	\$261,848	\$310,084	\$334,884	\$351,020	\$372,807	\$356,223
JUN	X	\$312,060	\$287,896	\$354,506	\$351,889	\$406,693	\$447,595
JUL	X	\$337,652	\$375,904	\$377,025	\$402,928	\$437,976	\$496,447
AUG	X	\$364,073	\$388,321	\$413,243	\$440,302	\$476,806	\$540,975
SEP	X	\$329,045	\$329,708	\$363,773	\$381,099	\$424,016	
OCT	X	\$315,477	\$325,627	\$386,133	\$378,027	\$426,031	
NOV	X	\$332,688	\$369,749	\$372,170	\$429,359	\$445,954	
DEC	\$298,934	\$311,415	\$329,303	\$347,649	\$381,750	\$425,129	X
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$298,934</b>	<b>\$3,664,370</b>	<b>\$3,853,006</b>	<b>\$4,170,896</b>	<b>\$4,454,293</b>	<b>\$4,846,399</b>	<b>\$3,083,007</b>

**Separate Funds  
FY2021 Budget to Actual  
August 2020 – Pre-Audit**

Fund	Total Budget	Cost to Gen Fund	Revenues YTD	Expenditures YTD	% Spent
Solid Waste	\$104,211	\$0	\$9,613	\$6,770	6%
E-911	\$1,145,882	\$510,182	\$172,633	\$180,981	16%
ARDEO	\$849,884	\$0	\$105,398	\$52,389	6%
Enotah Judicial	\$801,146	\$180,967	\$162,071	\$85,849	11%



**QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

During County Manager comments, Mr. Cobb advised that the Spring / Summer 2020 road improvement projects would be completed by mid-week – with only punch list items remaining.

Chairman Turner asked that Mr. Cobb contact Judge Joy Parks regarding a complaint she had related GPS systems routing trucks through John Head Road – going from Albert Reid Road to Alternate 75.

Chairman Turner also asked that the Board be reviewing the draft nuisance ordinance which was presented at the September 28, 2020 meeting – for discussion at the October Work Session. He also advised that a planning meeting to discuss the potential Claude Sims Road project would possibly be scheduled in the near future.

Ms. Beth Truelove, Chamber of Commerce President, stated that the strong financials presented at this meeting were a result of the resiliency of the community.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to enter into Executive Session in order to discuss personnel, real estate, and litigation.

-See The Following Closed Meeting Affidavit-

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to exit Executive Session.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution and affidavit:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ABANDONING ANY EASEMENT ON CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY  
BOBBY ADAMS IN LAND LOT 157


WHEREAS, the Commissioners are not aware of any easements held by White County, Georgia upon the below described land; and

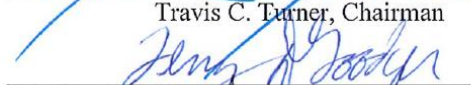
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners does not have a need for any employee or representative of the County to regularly access the below described land which abuts land owned by the County;


NOW THEREFORE, be it and it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of White County, Georgia, that White County, Georgia abandons any easement or claim that it had or has in reference to the real property owned by Bobby L. Adams, which property and the boundary lines of said property are reflected in a plat prepared by Eddie Hood, for Bobby L. Adams, dated December 18, 2019 and recorded in White County, Georgia Plat Book 02020, Page 00055, on March 30, 2020, described as being 5.99 acres, Map W045C, Parcel 30, Land lot 157, 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

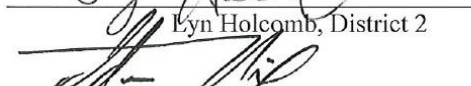
RESOLVED, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

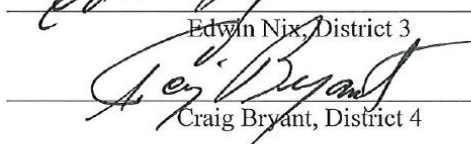
WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


  
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Travis C. Turner, Chairman

  
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Terry D. Goodger, District 1

  
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Lyn Holcomb, District 2

  
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Edwin Nix, District 3

  
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Craig Bryant, District 4

Attest:   
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk



After Recording Please Return to:  
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk  
1235 Helen Hwy  
Cleveland, GA 30528

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF WHITE

In Re: Property of Bobby Adams, dated  
December 18, 2019 and recorded in White  
County, Georgia Plat Book 02020, Page 00055,  
on March 30, 2020.

Before me, a notary public in and for said State and County, came Travis Turner, who being duly sworn, deposes and says on oath that this deponent has been familiar over a period of 40 years with a tract of land owned by Bobby Adams and described above. Deponent is over 18 years of age, of sound mind, and resides in White County, Georgia.

1.

Deponent states that White County does not have an easement or a need to regularly go upon or travel across the real property owned by Bobby L. Adams, which property and the boundary lines of said property are reflected in a plat prepared by Eddie Hood, for Bobby L. Adams, dated December 18, 2019 and recorded in White County, Georgia Plat Book 02020, Page 00055, on March 30, 2020, described as being 5.99 acres, Map W045C, Parcel 30, Land lot 157, 3<sup>rd</sup> District.


2.

Therefore, the Board of Commissioners, of White County, Georgia, passed a resolution abandoning any easement that it had or has in reference to the real property owned by Bobby L. Adams and described above.

Further Affiant Sayeth Not.

  
Travis Turner, Deponent

Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

  
Notary Public  
Commission Expires: 10/03/22  
(SEAL)

**Shanda Murphy  
Notary Public  
White County, GA**

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting.

The minutes of the October 5, 2020 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 2nd day of November, 2020.

**WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

s/Travis C. Turner

Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger

Terry D. Goodger, District 1

s/Lyn Holcomb

Lyn Holcomb, District 2

s/Edwin Nix

Edwin Nix, District 3

s/Craig Bryant

Craig Bryant, District 4

s/Shanda Murphy

Shanda Murphy, County Clerk