

AGENDA
GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 11, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

6:30 p.m.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS
PUBLIC COMMENTS
PREVIOUS MONTH BILLS
APPROVAL OF BILLS
MINUTES

(Time allocated 10 minutes total)

Check Registers

FEBRUARY 2025

Public hearing minutes HB 581 February 11, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

Public hearing minutes February 11, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

Regular meeting minutes February 11, 2025

REPORTS

MANAGER'S REPORT / EMS

ELECTED OFFICIALS: TAX COMMISSIONER, PROBATE,
SUPERIOR COURT CLERK, SHERIFF, FAMILY
CONNECTIONS, LIBRARY, FIRE, EMA DIRECTOR, 4-H
Coordinator

OLD BUSINESS

ACTION ITEM
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DBHDD Region 6 Board member appointment

Local Eco. Dev. Authority Board members (3) needed

NEW BUSINESS

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Planning & Zoning Board member resignation-Michael Causey

Planning & Zoning Board Appointment

Resolution R6-2025-Filing application for CDBG

Special Event Alcohol license for Riverfest

A1-2025 agreement-Letter of agreement for CDBG

EXECUTIVE SESSION

If needed

- Personnel
- Real Estate
- Litigation

APPEARANCES

Keshaydra “Kia” Cunningham-Grant program by New Horizons

Dorrian Davis-Wright-“Welcome to Georgetown” sign, property taxes

MEETING ADJOURN

MARCH 11, 2025 Board Meeting

**GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION
HB 581 PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2025
10:00 a.m.**

CALLED TO ORDER

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Lewis at 10:12 a.m. Members present were Commissioners: Lewis, Green, Baggett, Kinsey, and Bussey. County Clerk Carolyn Wilson, and County Manager Jason Weeks.

PUBLIC HEARING- Chairman Lewis opened the public hearing for HB 581 homestead exemption. Chairman Lewis explained that this is the second public hearing that is required if we choose to opt out of HB 581. Chairman Lewis asked for questions and comments for discussion. After a small discussion, Chairman Lewis closed the public hearing at 10:46 a.m. Chairman Lewis reminded everyone that there is one more public hearing on HB 581 tonight February 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

APPEARANCES –

MEETING ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 10:46 a.m.

Carvel Lewis, Chairman

David Kinsey, Vice Chairman

Willie H. Bussey, Jr., Commissioner

Jerry Green, Commissioner

Richard Baggett, Commissioner

Attest: Jason Weeks, County Manager

**GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION
TANGLEWOOD TRAIL REZONING AND HB 581
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

CALLED TO ORDER

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Lewis at 6:06 p.m. Members present were Commissioners: Lewis, Green, Baggett, Kinsey, and Bussey. County Clerk Carolyn Wilson, Financial Officer Teri Odom, and County Manager Jason Weeks.

PUBLIC HEARING- Chairman Lewis opened the public hearing for HB 581 Homestead Exemption. Chairman Lewis asked if there were any comments or questions on HB 581. After hearing none this public hearing was closed.

Chairman Lewis opened the public hearing for the rezoning application on Tanglewood Trail. The zoning application is to change the zoning from A-1 to R-1. Mr. Bryson Langford of Langford and associates gave a brief presentation on the rezoning. He explained that the rezoning is for a 14- acre tract of land and will be divided into twelve parcels. He also stated that the requirements have been changed to onsite stick-built homes with a minimum of 1200 sq ft. Chairman Lewis asked for questions and comments for discussion. After hearing none **a motion was made by Kinsey to close the public hearings. Second by Green.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

APPEARANCES –

MEETING ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m.

Carvel Lewis, Chairman

David Kinsey, Vice Chairman

Willie H. Bussey, Jr., Commissioner

Jerry Green, Commissioner

Richard Baggett, Commissioner

Attest: Jason Weeks, County Manager

MARCH 11, 2025 Board Meeting

GEORGETOWN-QUITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2025
6:30 p.m.

CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lewis at 6:31 p.m. with a prayer and the pledge. Members present were Commissioners: Lewis, Green, Baggett, Kinsey and Bussey. County Manager Jason Weeks, County Clerk Carolyn Wilson, and Financial Officer Teri Odom.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS- Chairman Lewis asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add Resolution R5-2025, ACCG 457 (b). **Motion made by Kinsey to amend the agenda as listed above. Second by Green.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- Chairman Lewis asked if there were any public comments. Mr. Mike Thomas voiced his concerns and questions about HB 581 Homestead exemption.

PREVIOUS MONTH CHECK REGISTER

Motion made by Green to approve the previous month's check register. Second by Kinsey. Voting Yes- Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion made by Bussey to approve the bills. Second by Green. Voting Yes- Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

MINUTES

January 14, 2025 Regular meeting minutes-**Motion made by Kinsey to approve the Regular meeting minutes. Second by Bussey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

January 30, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m. Called meeting minutes-**Motion made by Bussey to approve the Called meeting minutes. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

January 30, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m. Public Hearing minutes-**Motion made by Bussey to approve the Public Hearing minutes. Second by Green.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

MANAGER'S REPORT- Chairman Lewis asked County Manager Weeks for his report. Weeks stated that he received the EMS report for January. Total calls 37, 18 transports, 11 refusals, and 8 cancellations. The average response time was 10 minutes. We provided mutual aid 14 times, and we received mutual aid 2 times.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANT FOR COURTHOUSE-Weeks stated that the energy efficiency grant on the Courthouse is moving forward. The next step will be to have an energy audit done to see more specifically what our needs are. Weeks thinks that they are going to partner with other local Governments in our area to make it more attractive to the ones that would do the audit.

DEER POINT RD. AND MOSSY OAK CULVERTS-Weeks explained that on Deer Point Rd. and Tanglewood Trail in Mossy Oak we have major creek crossings that go under the roads. The culverts are at about 50% capacity due to silt and sand that has washed into them. He is looking for an excavator to have them cleaned out.

JACQUELINE DRIVE- Weeks told everyone that some tree roots have grown out in the road and caused asphalt damage on Jacqueline Dr. Weeks wanted to let the Commissioners know in case they get a call that this is being looked at and will be repaired asap.

ROAD DEPT.-Weeks said that the Road dept. has been picking up tires on the right-of-way when they have not been able to do other road work. They have picked up around 300 tires. Once they have picked up around 500 tires Weeks will call Ashberry Tire disposal to have them disposed of. Weeks said he will submit the invoice to the State for the STAR program for reimbursement.

Commissioner Baggett asked Weeks if he had an update on the Dollar Tree driveway. Weeks said he submitted everything to GDOT that they requested and has not heard anything so far, but he will be reaching back out to them to find out what the next step is.

Tax Commissioner Report-

Probate Report-

SUPERIOR CLERK OF COURT-

SHERIFF REPORT-

FAMILY CONNECTIONS- Ms. Sara Lee Crumbs was present and gave an update on Family Connections. The Senior produce delivery is the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Family Connections parking lot. Residents must be 55 years or older and be present to receive the produce. Tomorrow February 12, 2025 there will be a Mobile Health van available for residents needing screenings for pregnancy, HIV/STI, PAP smears, and primary care screenings. The van will be at the Family Connection office parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Ms. Crumbs asked everyone to please share this information to help get the word out to the Community. Chairman Lewis thanked Ms. Crumbs for her report and her hard work for the Community.

4-H COORDINATOR REPORT- Mrs. Young was present and gave an update on 4-H. Mrs. Young talked about the second STEM club meeting and what a fun time it was. Mrs. Young went and looked at River Bluff park to hold a bike-a-thon for a fundraiser to help the kids go to camp. She has about 30 kids signed up to go to camp which is about double from last year. Mrs. Young stated that the strawberries should be in the first week of March. She thanked County Manager Weeks for going with her to the park to look at where the bike-a-thon will be held. She also thanked everyone for their support and help with everything. Commissioner Baggett asked how much it is to sponsor a child to go to camp. Mrs. Young said that the total cost is \$450.00 dollars. Chairman Lewis thanked Mrs. Young for her hard work and report.

Library- Chairman Lewis invited everyone to come to the library on February 19, 2025 from 12:00 noon-2:00 p.m. for an art presentation and lecture for Black History month by Dr. Kuanita Murphy.

Fire Dept. Report-

EMA REPORT-

CHAIRMAN REPORT-
OLD BUSINESS

DBHDD REGION 6 BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT- Chairman Lewis asked the other Commissioners if they had thought of someone that would be willing to serve. County Clerk Wilson stated that she has sent this info to Ms. Mary Gibbs but has not heard anything back.

SWGA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS-

Chairman Lewis went over the appointment for Georgetown-Quitman County on the SWGA Regional Dev. Auth. Board. Chairman Lewis requested to come off this board. Ms. Leslie Culver is willing to continue to serve. Commissioner Jerry Green has agreed to serve as the second member on this board to represent Georgetown-Quitman County. **Motion made by Kinsey to appoint Commissioner Jerry Green to the SWGA Regional Dev. Auth. Board. Second by Baggett.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, and Baggett (Green abstained from voting.)

NEW BUSINESS-

APPLICATION TO AMEND ZONING FROM A-1 TO R-1 ON TANGLEWOOD TRAIL-

Chairman Lewis asked for a motion to approve the application to amend the zoning on Tanglewood Trail from A-1 to R-1. **Motion made by Kinsey to approve the application for the zoning amendment on Tanglewood Trail from A-1 to R-1. Second by Baggett.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

RESOLUTION R1-2025 SAFETY COORDINATOR RESOLUTION-Chairman Lewis read aloud Resolution R1-2025. **Motion made by Baggett to approve R1-2025 Safety coordinator resolution. Second by Green.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

RESOLUTION R2-2025 VOLUNTEERS & ELECTED OFFICIALS RESOLUTION-

Chairman Lewis read aloud Resolution R2-2025. **Motion made by Kinsey to approve R2-2025 Volunteers & Elected official's resolution. Second by Bussey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

RESOLUTION R3-2025 HB 581 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION RESOLUTION-Chairman Lewis asked the other Commissioners if they wanted to table this for tonight. After a brief discussion, a **motion was made by Kinsey to approve Resolution R3-2025 to opt out of the homestead exemption. Second by Bussey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, and Lewis. Voting No-Green and Baggett.

R4-2025 FIRST RESPONDER PTSD RESOLUTION-Chairman Lewis read aloud R4-2025 First Responder PTSD Resolution. **Motion made by Baggett to approve R4-2025 First responder PTSD resolution. Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green,

R5-2025 ADOPT AMENDMENT TO ACCG 457 (b) RESOLUTION-Chairman Lewis read aloud Resolution R5-2025 to adopt amendment to ACCG 457 (b). **Motion made by Baggett to approve Resolution R5-2025 to adopt amendment to ACCG 457 (b). Second by Kinsey.** Voting Yes-Bussey, Kinsey, Baggett, and Green.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
APPEARANCES
MEETING ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

Carvel Lewis, Chairman

David Kinsey, Vice Chairman

Willie H. Bussey, Jr., Commissioner

Jerry Green, Commissioner

Richard Baggett, Commissioner

Attest: Jason Weeks, County Manager