

## GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2022, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on September 20, 2022, at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners LaFaye Copeland, Ray Prince, Keith Moye, June Knight, Phillip Drew, County Clerk John White, County Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Attorney Gabe Ridley Road Superintendent Stanley Elkins and Probate Judge Denise Maddox were present.

Mr. Drew opened the meeting with the invocation and pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was approved.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Tom Kimmel, 583 Barrineau Rd Whigham

Mr. Kimmel come to talk about the sad shape of his road. He stated the culverts and ditches are full and the road has not been graded. He stated the internet cable is exposed and every time it is graded, the internet goes out. Mr. Kimmel stated he wants answers on the road and what is the criteria for getting a road paved. Mr. Drew stated he would get answers to his questions and get back with him.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Board of Registrar – Cindy Toliver

Mrs. Toliver came asking for the \$2,000.00 for the rest of the year to assist with the election. This money was set aside for the election.

Voting –

Mrs. Arlene Spooner, Sam Carnline, Dr. Ron Spooner, John Monds, Danny Waldrop, and John Turenteen spoke for a very large group of citizens who urged the Board of Commissioners to sign a Resolution asking for the 2022 General Election in November to be held by paper ballots. The group offered examples of potential vote manipulation with the voting machines. The commissioners praised the group coming to the meeting and Mr. Ridley would look at what the board could legally do.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 9:00 am.

Lake Authority Meeting, Monday, October 3, 2022, at 1:30 pm.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mrs. Knight to approve

C032-22 Regular meeting Minutes from 09/06/22 and

C033-22 Plats for Osborn and Touchet.

The motion was approved.

#### **FORMAL ACTIONS**

FA077-22 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve the Authorizing Resolution for the 5311 Program. The motion was approved.

FA078-22 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the Support/Maintenance of Geographic Information. The motion was approved.

FA079-22 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve the repair of Fire Engine #21 for a cost of \$10,529.24. The motion was approved.

FA080-22 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to purchase pipe from Southern Pipe for a total cost of \$24,212.50. \$10,000.00 will be moved from Contingency to cover this expense. The motion was approved.

FA081-22 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the copier lease for the Board of Commissioners office copier. The motion was approved.

FA082-22 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the \$2,000.00 in professional services for this year for the Registrar. The motion was approved.

#### **NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Forestry Consultants who submitted a bid to the county were present and introduced themselves to the commissioners.

Financial Update – Holly Murkerson, Finance Director

## **Grady County Financial Review for August 2022**

**Presented September 20, 2022 – Holly Murkerson, Finance Director**

### **General Fund Revenue:**

1. Ideal % = 33%, Actual % = 69%

Ideal percentages decrease month to month at equal intervals. Actual remaining indicates actual receipts per month. Some significant revenues are received later in the year.

Budget is \$18,341,500; received to date is \$5,679,600

### **General Fund Expenditures:**

1. Ideal% = 33%, Actual % =44%

Budget is \$18,341,500; spent to date is \$10,301,300

### **Sales Tax Revenue:**

<b><u>LOST:</u></b>	<b>AUG 2022 = \$174,600</b>	<b>AUG 2021 = \$159,600</b>	<b>UP</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<b><u>SPLOST:</u></b>	<b>AUG 2022 = \$174,600</b>	<b>AUG 2021 = \$159,600</b>	<b>UP</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<b><u>TSPLOST2:</u></b>	<b>AUG 2022 = \$157,200</b>	<b>AUG 2021 = \$140,300</b>	<b>UP</b>	<b>\$ 16,900</b>

#### **\*Six items are exempt from TSPLOST taxation:**

1. The sale or use of any type of fuel used for off-road heavy-duty equipment, off-road farm or agricultural equipment, or locomotives;
2. The sale or use of jet fuel to or by a qualifying airline at a qualifying airport;
3. The sale or use of fuel that is used for propulsion of motor vehicles on the public highways;
4. The sale or use of energy used in the manufacturing process of tangible goods primarily for resale;
5. The sale or use of motor fuel for public mass transit; or
6. The purchase or lease of any motor vehicle

### **Other financial news:**

1. Next steps for efficiency in the finance department:
  - a. County Attorney currently reviewing contract with Tyler Technologies; hope to have reviewed with any issues by October 1, 2022
  - b. Blough Tech has reviewed contract with Tyler Technologies for any IT related areas; Tyler Technologies has provided that information we are good
  - c. Once contract is signed, we will go on the waiting list which is currently nine-ish months out
  - d. I will be creating a list of requirements from banks to assure all the features can be supported and will present to you later
2. Filled the Clerk/Purchasing position with Chiquita Tajdari; have a bit of catching up to do and then will move into the purchasing duties

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation. The motion was approved.

Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to exit Executive Session. The Motion was approved.

### **REPORTS**

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Recreation Department 08/22
- C.

### **RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A GRANT FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE UNDER TITLE 49 U.S.C., SECTION 5311.**

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration and the Georgia Department of Transportation are authorized to make grants to non-urbanized (rural) areas for mass transportation projects;

and

**WHEREAS**, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon Applicant, including the provision of the local share of project costs; and

**WHEREAS**, it is required by the United States Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the Federal Transit Act, the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the United States Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the goal of the Applicant that Minority Business Enterprise (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Women's Business Enterprise) be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority business shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts and purchase orders when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts, or consultant and other services.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** Grady County Board of Commissioners  
**hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant",**

1. That the Designated Official, SWGA Regional Commission hereinafter, referred to as the "Official" is authorized to execute and file an application on the behalf of the Applicant, a City/County government, with the Georgia Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of public transportation assistance pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act.
2. That the Official is authorized to execute and file such application and assurances or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That the Official is authorized to execute and file all other standard assurances or any other document required by the Georgia Department of Transportation or the U.S. Department of Transportation in connection with the application for public transportation assistance.
4. That the Official is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of the Applicant with the Georgia Department of Transportation.

- 5. That the Official is authorized to set forth and execute Minority Business Enterprise, DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) and WBE (Women Business Enterprise) policies and procedures in connection with the project's procurement needs as applicable.
- 6. That the applicant while making application to or receiving grants from the Federal Transit Administration will comply with FTA Circular 9040.IG, FTA Certifications and Assurances for Federal Assistance 2022 as listed in this grant application and General Operating Guidelines as illustrated in the Georgia State Management Plan.
- 7. That the applicant has or will have available the required non-federal funds to meet local share requirements for this grant application.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15 day of 11, 2022.

*[Signature]*

Ph. 11/15/2022  
 Type Name and Title

Signed, sealed and delivered this 15 day of 11, 2022 in the presence of

*[Signature]*  
 Witness

*[Signature]*

Notary Public/Notary Seal

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting 11/15/2022 of GA (Legal name) certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting held on 11/15, 2022.

*[Signature]*  
 Name of Certifying/Attesting Officer  
*[Signature]*  
 Title of Certifying/Attesting Officer



SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION  
REGIONAL RURAL TRANSIT PROGRAM

## Transit Activity Report

*Grady County*

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

*Report Period*

<i>Operation Parameters</i>	
Operation Hours 6:00am to 8:00pm M-F Office Hours 8:00am to 5:00pm M-F	
Vehicles in Service -	5

### *Total Statistics*

Trips Performed	<b>13,410</b>
<i>Public Trips*</i>	1,716
Service Hours**	<b>18,527</b>
Service Miles**	<b>448,274</b>

### *Monthly Averages*

Trips Per Vehicle -	<b>2,682</b>
Percentage of Total Trips That Are Public -	<b>12.80%</b>

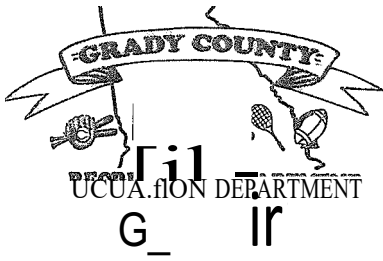
*Peak - 6:00am to 10:00am | 2:00pm to 6:00pm*  
*Off Peak - 10:00am to 2:00pm | 6:00pm to 8:00pm*

### *Trip Purpose*

DCH Non-Emergency Medical	<b>9,782</b>
OHS - Division of Aging	<b>506</b>
OHS - DBHDD (Disabilities)	<b>1,402</b>
Public - Personal	<b>1,716</b>
Private Pay	<b>4</b>
Not Specified	<b>0</b>

\* Public Trips are those trips that a general resident has paid out of pocket for transit services (i.e. a fare)

\*\* Service Hours or Miles are defined by miles or hours that a transit vehicle is being operated while a consumer is on board.



## *Grady County Recreation Department*

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Director  
Becky Bracewell

### August 2022 **Monthly** Report

- August 1<sup>st</sup> - District meeting in Americus
- August 4<sup>th</sup> - Department Head meeting with Commissioners
- August 5<sup>th</sup> - Department meeting with Recreation employees
- August 10<sup>th</sup> - Open Enrollment
  
- August 16<sup>th</sup> -Advisory Council meeting
- August 19<sup>th</sup> - Last day of registration for Soccer
- August 20<sup>th</sup> - District Pickleball Tournament in Thomasville

- August 22<sup>nd</sup> - Meet with County Commissioners
- August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Meet with Cairo Chemical about prices on supplies
- August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Had dirt work done at Pickleball Courts for Pavilion
- August 26<sup>th</sup> - Last day of registration for football & cheer
- August 26<sup>th</sup> - Soccer & Baseball State Teams recognized at CHS Football game
- August 29<sup>th</sup> - Coaches meeting at Agri-Center
- August 30<sup>th</sup> - Safety Meeting

324- Soccer Participants 106 - Football Participants  
 42 - Cheerleading Participants

Field Rental	\$150.00
Concession Rental	\$100.00
Donation	\$500.00
<u>Registration</u>	<u>\$8,500.00</u>
Total Deposit	\$9,250.00

**Support/Maintenance of  
Geographic Information System  
. Tax Parcel Data, Soil and Land cover  
data**

**Grady County, Georgia  
June,2022**

Presented to  
Grady County Assessor's Office

Prepared by  
Southwest Georgia Regional Commission, Camilla, GA

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# Southwest Georgia Regional Commission

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement entered into by and between Grady County and the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission. From here on, Grady County shall be referred to as the County. The Southwest Georgia Regional Commission shall be referred to as the SWGRC.

### WITNESS THAT:

\Whereas, the County wishes to engage the SWGRC to help support the maintenance of county land cover/soil data, and for the technical training concerning software used with the tax parcel data.

**NOTWITHSTANDING**, the parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

### I. Retention of the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission Staff

The County agrees to retain and provide payment for the services performed by the SWGRC for the maintenance of this GIS data. The SWGRC shall have the responsibility for the timely and proper performance to complete the correction and update of these files.

### II. Goal

The primary goal of this project is to provide for the ongoing maintenance and support of the County's geographic information system parcel boundary feature data, soil data, land cover data and their associated parcel id attributes. The maintenance and support of this tax data will allow for the linking of the county's digital digest if possible. Proper maintenance will also aid the County Assessor's office in the production of more up to date maps. The County soils and land cover will be maintained according to parcel boundary data.

### III. Scope of Work/ Products

The SWGRC will provide the County with assistance on proper tax parcel maintenance and routine training on ArcGIS software. The SWGRC GIS staff, will be available to answer questions and help with any issues the tax assessing staff may have during their routine maintenance and work with their parcel data. The SWGRC, will also host a website with the County tax parcel data for use inside the tax assessor's offices by and for their employees and serve to help them answer questions from customers.

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## VI. Timeframe and Costs

The total estimated cost to complete the above services shall be provided for the amount of **\$4500**. This amount will be divided by the 12 month contract period and billed out in equal monthly increments of \$375 per month beginning the month of contract execution unless other arrangements have been made by the County with SWGRC staff.

## VII. Length of Agreement

This agreement will become effective on the date of signing. The terms and conditions of this agreement and all obligations incurred by either party will also become effective at the date of signing. The duration of this contract for completion of this project shall be ongoing for 12 months from the date of execution. It is further agreed that in the event any of the provisions of this agreement are violated by the SWGRC or the County, either party may serve notice upon the other of its intent to terminate this contract. The notice to terminate shall contain the reasons for termination. Thirty days after serving such notice, this agreement will terminate unless agreement has been reached by and between all parties. In the event of termination, all finished or unfinished work, databases and maps prepared by the SWGRC under this agreement will become property of the County. The SWGRC will be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for work completed on such documents and other materials.

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VIII. Signatures @

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Chairman of Board of Commissioners, Grady County (Signature)

Date

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Chairman of Board of Commissioners, Grady County (Signature)



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Executive Director, Southwest Georgia Regional Commission

Date

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Witness

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Knight and second by Mrs. Copeland. The motion was approved.

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PHILLIP DREW, CHAIR

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June Knight, VICE-CHAIR

ATTEST:

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RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

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JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

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Keith Moyer, COMMISSIONER

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LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER