

Minutes
Taylor County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 5, 2025

The Taylor County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:00 p. m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, in the County Commissioners Meeting Room of the Taylor County Government Complex at 7 Ivy St., Butler, GA. Present were Chairman Tameka Harris, Vice-Chairman Cicero Latimore, Commissioner Jeff Watson, Commissioner Dianne Renfroe, Commissioner Randy Nelson, County Manager Amanda Queen, and County Attorney Eddie Davis.

Chairman Harris called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, Commissioner Jeff Watson gave the invocation. Commissioner Latimore led the Pledge to the United States Flag and Commissioner Nelson led the Pledge to the Georgia Flag.

Agenda approved without change on motion of Commissioner Latimore, seconded by Commissioner Nelson, and carried with all in favor.

The Minutes of the June 3, 2025, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed on motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Watson and carried by voice vote with all voting in favor and none opposed.

Citizens scheduled to appear:

1. Leighanne Patterson (Parks Road Rezoning) – Joe Carroll stated this was for a split parcel and she wishes to have a section rezoned to R3 from Ag; this went before the Planning and Zoning Board and was recommended unanimously. Ms. Patterson is working with a realtor to sell the portion of the property, and it needs to be zoned to R3 (residential). Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve the rezoning to R3, seconded by Commissioner Latimore and carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.
2. Jennifer Albritton (School Board) – Not in attendance.

Reports:

Planning and Zoning – Mr. John Hattaway brought before the Board an Ordinance for the fee schedule going forward that aligns with the state law. Commissioner Latimore made a motion to approve Ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Renfroe and carried with a voice vote of all in favor.

Abb Preston, Taylor County EMS – Mr. Preston reported that during June, there were 199 Emergency calls, with 131 transports to 8 hospitals. For the month of July there were 191 calls with 123 transports. Mr. Preston updated that Paige Wainwright has passed her paramedic test.

Taylor County Fire Department – Mr. Thomas Hoffman introduced Keith Poole as the new Fire Coordinator for Taylor County; and reported that during the month of July the fire department responded to 6 calls.

Project Manager – Ms. Queen stated that Bo Crook has been hired for the Road and Bridges Superintendent job and that she will be updating on the county projects moving forward. Ms. Queen stated that a security guard has been hired for the courthouse.

River Valley Regional Commission – no report

Unfinished business:

GICH Program / Housing – Ms. Queen shared that this is now a 20-member team and received 13 letters of support, LITC housing says that we can do homes that are 1-bedroom at 680 square feet, or 2-bedroom homes at 890 square feet and more information will be available in the fall.

County-wide Trash – Ms. Queen stated that we received about 470 surveys with 43 yes in support of curbside pickup and 428 not in support. This is not enough interest to start the service, and the yes surveys will be passed along to the cities that currently offer the curbside to see if it's in range of them adding the service to those. We will be looking at consolidating locations and camera pricing for those locations.

New business:

None.

Commissioner Nelson requested to speak to the county regarding the overwhelming support he has received upon the tragic loss of his wife, Ms. Faye. He wanted to let everyone know that he is thankful for every prayer and support. And wanted to let the county know that he loves everyone and how much this county means to him.

At 6:38pm Commissioner Latimore made a motion to enter Executive session, seconded by Commissioner Nelson.

There was no information provided for closing the meeting.

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