



**The McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Commission Meeting
Wednesday Morning, September 1, 2021, 10:00 am
Government Center Meeting Room**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charles Newton, IV, Chairman
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner
Fred Favors, Commissioner
Bill Jopling, Commissioner
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk
Robert Spurlin, IT Director
Stephen Sewell, Fire/EMS Chief

MEDIA: Erin Burditt, McDuffie Progress

Others: 5

Public Hearing

1. 2nd Reading- Ordinance 21-04; Fire Fee

David presented Ordinance 21-04; Fire Fee and Resolution 21-08; Fire Protection Rates to the Board for the second reading. He advised that the proposed fire fee will be managed in the future by the Public Safety Committee which consist of members from Board of Commissioners and City Council. Chairman Newton stated that data will be collected each year through fire and will allow for adjustments to be made to rates. The data in coming years will allow for a better idea for usage. Chairman Newton stated that this was a public hearing and asked if there was any further questions or comments. Mark Koenig asked to address the board, his concern is that the size of the parcel/structure shouldn't matter because the same service is being used. Chairman Newton asked if there was any other comments or concerns, hearing none the public hearing portion of the meeting was closed.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Newton called the meeting to order at 10:06 am, acknowledged a quorum of commissioners present and welcomed everyone in attendance.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Favors offered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVALS

Agenda (Current)

Chairman Newton asked if there were any corrections to the current agenda or minutes.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Wilson to approve the current agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

Minutes

Public Hearing- August 12, 2021

Regular Meeting-August 17, 2021

Special Called Meeting- August 24, 2021

Commissioner Jopling made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Public Hearing: Millage, September 7th at 7pm.**
2. **French Legion Medal of Honor Ceremony for Louis Graziano: September 17th, 1pm at FUMC Life Center.**
3. **ACCG Fall Regional Training: September 28th, 10am-2:30pm at Savannah Rapids Pavilion.**
4. **ACCG Reconnect Conference: November 12-15, Savannah.**

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Audit Presentation.**

A presentation of the FY2020 Audit was provided by Brenda Carroll and Bayi Pognon of the Baird Audit Group.

2. **Consideration to Approve Ordinance 21-04; Fire Fee.**

Chairman Newton asked if there was need for further discussion. There was no further discussion on this matter.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve Ordinance 21-04; Fire Fee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution 21-08; Fire Protection Service Fee Rate.**

David advised that the resolution will allow the board to set the fee rate for the fire fee and allow changes to be made yearly upon review of the data collected. Chairman Newton asked if there was need for further discussion. There was no further discussion on this matter.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve Resolution 21-08; Fire Protection Service Fee Rate. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

4. **Consideration to Approve Amending FY22 Budget Policy.**

David advised that this amendment is to change the budget work session from September 8th until September 21st.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve amending FY22 budget policy. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

5. **Consideration to Approve Budget Amendments.**

Pam advised that several mid-year budget amendments need to be made in order to balance the budget.

Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the budget amendments. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

6. Consideration to Approve ACO Report for August 2021.

David presented the ACO report for August 2021. There was no change to the property tax digest and a decrease of \$167.71 to the mobile home digest for completed appeals.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve the ACO report for August 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Wilson to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:33 am, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST:



Nikki Milburn, County Clerk