

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE COURTHOUSE BOC MEETING ROOM LOCATED AT 205 N. SELVIDGE STREET

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

The Chairman called the meeting to order.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Roll call to determine quorum

The following members were present:

Jevin Jensen, Chairman
Barry W. Robbins, Vice Chairman
Robby Staten, Member
John Thomas, Member
Greg Jones, Member

Others Present:

Robert Sivick, County Administrator
Robert Smalley, County Attorney
Citizens
Press
Department Heads

Motion was made by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Staten to approve the agenda. The motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioners Jones, Thomas, Staten and Robbins in agreement.

FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. **Resolution for Board of Assessors Appointment – John Haverland:** Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins and seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the resolution appointing John Haverland to fill the unexpired term of Michael Brumlow that is set to expire on June 30, 2024 and has agreed to serve a regular six-year term that will begin on December 21, 2023 and will expire on June 30, 2030. The motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioners Thomas, Jones, Staten and Robbins in agreement.
2. **Whitfield County Administration Office Lease:** Motion was made by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Staten to extend the lease agreement with Triple E. Properties, LLC, to rent out a portion of the 1st & 2nd floors, plus the 3rd, 4th, and 5th floors of the Wells Fargo Bank building located at 201 S. Hamilton Street until December 31, 2026. The current lease will expire on December 31, 2023 and the monthly lease amount will remain \$15,630 per month until June 30, 2024. Beginning July 1, 2024 the amount will increase to \$18,386.66 per month. The motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioners Staten, Thomas, Robbins and Jones in agreement.
3. **2024 Budget Adoption:** Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins and seconded by Commissioner Staten to adopt the 2024 resolution of the operating budget for Whitfield County for \$59 million in revenues and expenditures. The motion was approved 3-1, with Commissioners Staten, Jones and Robbins in agreement. Commissioner Thomas was in dissention.

ADJOURN: Unanimous



JEVIN JENSEN, CHAIRMAN
WHITFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



BLANCA CARDONA, COUNTY CLERK

DATE: 1/8/2024