**Members Present:** Chairman William (Bill) J. Kicklighter, Commissioners Ricky C. Jarriel, Bobby Kennedy, Billy D. Conley, Wayne Tatum, and Wanda S. Allen

**Staff Present:** County Manager Frank H. Murphy, Certified County Clerk Sheila R. Mills, County Attorney Tom Peterson, HR/PR Administrator Angel Melton, Road Superintendent Wayne Martin, EMA Director/Fire Chief Walt Rogers, County Project Manager Hal Dasher, County Project Consultant Dennis Odom, EMA Director Dustin Dasher, Assistant EMA Director Jordan Rushing, Solid Waste Coordinator Larenda Dasher, County Election Administrator Barbie Mock, County Extension Coordinator/ANR Agent Aubrey Shirley, and Chief Deputy Jeff Rogers

**Elected Officials Present:** Sheriff Kyle Sapp, Probate Judge Tara Finnerty

Chairman Bill Kicklighter called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

Reverend David Lamm, Collins First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Chairman Bill Kicklighter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Approval of Agenda:**

Chairman Kicklighter called for a motion to approve the agenda.

There was a motion by Commissioner Conley and a 2nd by Commissioner Tatum to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Chairman Kicklighter next called for approval of the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes – **July 6, 2026**
2. Budget Workshop Minutes – **July 20, 2026**
3. Special Called Meeting Minutes – **July 20, 2026**
4. Budget Workshop Minutes – **July 27, 2026**

There was a motion by Commissioner Kennedy and a 2nd by Commissioner Jarriel to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**None**

**New Business:**

3. **Hwy 169 Subdivision Ordinance Variance Request: Mr. Albert Bacon**

Mr. Albert Bacon was in attendance to request a variance for a 30-foot easement in lieu of the 60-foot deeded right-of-way to Hwy 169 as required in the 2014 Subdivision Ordinance. He stated the landowner of the two (2) lots where the construction of two (2) homes has begun is his son Travis Bacon, but he was here acting under a power of attorney on behalf of his son.

A plat provided shows three (3) parcels, all touching one another, which was interpreted as a subdivision and thus subject to all requirements within the ordinance, though Mr. Bacon denied any intention to improve on the other lots.

Chairman Kicklighter stated that he had received calls from Canoochee EMC claiming a request for power poles to be set on the 3rd unimproved parcel which to him indicated intent for a subdivision.

After considerable debate, Chairman Kicklighter called for a motion to approve Mr. Albert Bacon's variance request seeking approval for a 30-foot easement in lieu of the required 60-foot deeded right-of-way road requirement in the Subdivision Ordinance.

The request died for lack of a motion.

4. **Solid Waste Contract Discussion: Municipal Representative Sam Sullivan, AllGreen Services, LLC/A Division of Atlantic Waste Services, Inc.**

County Manager Frank H. Murphy reminded members the current contract end date is December 31, 2026 and though they approved advertising for bids, the volatility of diesel fuel suggests the timing may be poor. He introduced Mr. Sam Sullivan, Municipal Representative AllGreen Services, LLC., A Division of Atlantic Waste Services, Inc. who was in attendance to propose a contract amendment for consideration.

Mr. Sullivan acknowledged repeated concerns expressed by Solid Waste Coordinator Larenda Dasher regarding the shortage of carts on hand to service customers, as well as documented multiple instances of missed trash pickups. He committed to working closely with Operations Manager Jay Hodges, who was also in attendance, to resolve issues and improve performance, noting rural roads and labor shortages present operational challenges daily.

Mr. Sullivan proposed the following contract amendment details:

- Five (5) year renewal, with a current rate freeze until January of 2028
- After January 2028 rates will be adjusted annually according to the CPI (Consumer Price Index)
- Committed to provide a semi-tractor trailer full of carts, six hundred fifty (650), to be delivered to two (2) sites in Tattnall County, unloaded, and assembled

Commissioner Kennedy expressed concerns that not all of the containers at the Reidsville Convenience Center are emptied every time. Mr. Sullivan consented to address the issue.

Hearing no other questions, Chairman Kicklighter called for a motion.

There was a motion by Commissioner Tatum and a 2nd by Commissioner Conley to suspend advertising a Request for Proposals (RFPs), and allow County Attorney Tom Peterson time to review the proposed contract amendment and return to the board for a final vote. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **2027 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Project List Approval (Attached)**

County Project Consultant Dennis Odom explained we have the opportunity to apply for the annual Georgia Department of Transportation 2027 LMIG grant in the amount of $1,204,113.00 with a ten percent (10%) local match required. He presented the attached project list for approval to resurface portions of the following roads; Burkhalter Road, Handy Kennedy Road, Ronny Collins Road, Old Hwy 250, Mincey Loop, and Pecan Road.

County Project Consultant Odom shared that since 2013 LMIG (Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant), LRA (Local Road Assistance), and TIA (Transportation Investment Act) supplements have allowed resurfacing of ninety-six percent (96%) of Tattnall County roads, with ten (10) miles left over the next few years. These state and regional transportation funds have enabled the county to accomplish necessary paving safely and efficiently without costing local taxpayers extra money or straining the county budget.

There was a motion by Commissioner Tatum and a 2nd by Commissioner Conley to approve the list as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Request to Solicit Bids: 2026 LRA/2027 LMIG Resurfacing Projects (Attached)**

County Project Consultant Dennis Odom next presented a request to solicit a combined bid for the 2026 LRA/2027 LMIG Resurfacing projects as listed on the attachment. He explained that bidding the projects together should yield more favorable pricing. If approved, his intention is to advertise the bid mid-August, hold a mandatory pre-bid meeting mid-September, and have the bid opening in late September so that the bid results are available for the October 5, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting.

Hearing no questions, Chairman Kicklighter called for a motion to approve the request to solicit bids.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Conley to approve the request to solicit bids. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Bid Results: VFW Park Amphitheater/Stage**

County Manager Frank H. Murphy shared bids were solicited for the construction of an amphitheater/stage area at the VFW Park. A mandatory pre-bid construction site meeting was held on July 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. with Mr. Frank D'Arcangelo of DPR Architecture and seven (7) companies represented. Sealed bids were opened and read aloud on July 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. County Manager Murphy read aloud the following bids received:

| Contractor | Base Bid | Bid Bond | Calendar Days |
|---|---|---|---|
| • Lavender & Associates | No Bid | | |
| • Hubbard & Hudson | $405,000.00 | 5% | 150 |
| • Altamaha Building Systems | $387,000.00 | 5% | 120 |
| • Lynn Construction | No Bid | | |
| • CMC Construction | No Bid | | |
| • Paul S. Akins | $380,200.00 | 5% | 120 |
| • Triple J. Walker Const. Group<br>**5% Bid Bond was supplied<br>On 7/28/26 | $193,500.00 | $9,675.00 CK<br>5% | 120 |

County Manager Murphy stated Mr. Frank D'Arcangelo vetted all bid packages and confirmed each one met the criteria. The recommendation is to award Triple J. Walker Construction Group with the low bid of $193,500.00. They are local, do the work themselves with little overhead, and are invested in their serving their community.

There was a motion by Commissioner Allen and a 2nd by Commissioner Kennedy to accept the low bid in the amount of $193,500.00 and award Triple J. Construction Group the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Bid Results: Old Investigator Building/Records Room**

County Manager Frank H. Murphy shared bids were solicited for the replacement of the HVAC system which has gone out. While not an emergency, the building is storage for official county records in secure climate-controlled rooms. County Project Manager Hal Dasher met with all respective bidders at the site to review the scope of work. The deadline for sealed bids was close of business on July 29, 2026. The following bids were received and read aloud:

- Signature Heating – Air & Refrigeration
  Rheem, 4-Ton 16 SEER split heat pump system $ 7,150.00
- Terrell's Refrigeration Heating & Air Conditioning
  Carrier 3-Ton 14.5 SEER2 $ 7,550.00
- Bland's Air & Electrical, LLC
  GrandAire 3.5-Ton 15 SEER2 $ 7,948.00
- Stellar Heating & Air
  Trane 3.5-Ton 14.3 SEER2 $10,427.25
- Peach State Air Conditioning
  Trane 3.5-Ton 14.7 SEER2 $11,203.00

County Manager Frank H. Murphy and County Project Manager Hal Dasher made the recommendation to accept the low bid from Signature Heating – Air & Refrigeration of Glennville.

There was a motion by Commissioner Conley and a 2nd by Commissioner Tatum to accept the low bid in the amount of $7,150.00 and award Signature Heating – Air & Refrigeration the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Ohoopee Regional Library Tattnall County Board of Trustees Member Reappointment: Wanda Kunney Mosley**
   **Retroactive Term July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028**

County Manager Frank H. Murphy shared the library board meets quarterly, alternating between the Glennville Library and the Reidsville Library. It is a three-year (3) commitment. Ms. Wanda Kunney Mosley is willing to complete the term ending June 30, 2028 and has been an invaluable member.

Certified County Clerk Sheila R. Mills added that a request to appoint letter was sent prior to July 1, 2025, but never received. In accordance with the library board's bylaws, she was authorized to continue past her original term date.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Allen to approve Ms. Wanda Kunney Mosley's reappointment retroactively for July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **Ohoopee Regional Library Tattnall County Board of Trustees Member Reappointment: Cynthia Joyce**
    **Retroactive Term July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2029**

County Manage Murphy shared Ms. Cynthia Joyce has loyally served and is eligible for reappointment.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Allen to approve Ms. Cynthia Joyce's reappointment retroactively for July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029. Motion carried unanimously.

11. **Ohoopee Regional Library Tattnall County Board of Trustees Member Appointment: Larry Powell**
**Retroactive Term July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2029**

County Manager Murphy shared that Mr. Dylan Mulligan's 2nd term on the board expired on June 30, 2026 and we thank him for his contributions. Mr. Larry Powell has agreed to serve if appointed to replace Mr. Mulligan.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Allen to approve Mr. Larry Powell's appointment retroactively for July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029. Motion carried unanimously.

12. **Surplus Vehicles: Sheriff Kyle Sapp**
    a) 2017 Ford Explorer Police SUV VIN: 3324
    b) 2020 Ford Explorer Police SUV VIN: 9429
    c) 2021 Ford Explorer Police SUV VIN: 9526

Sheriff Kyle Sapp turned in the surplus vehicles noting the 2017 and the 2020 are in running condition and parked on the square. The 2021 does not run, is in salvage condition, and currently located at the Tattnall County Road Department in Reidsville.

There was a motion by Commissioner Kennedy and a 2nd by Commissioner Jarriel to advertise all three (3) vehicles on GovDeals. Motion carried unanimously.

13. **Road Department On-Call Rotation**

Road Superintendent Wayne Martin explained for a long time the on-call rotation was being pulled by one (1) employee. Road Superintendent Martin shared that after speaking with current employees, seven (7) have agreed to help pull the rotation. He proposed setting a one-person, two-week schedule.

Commissioner Allen asked if members would be provided a schedule and contact information. Road Superintendent Martin expressed his willingness to provide the schedule and contact information to all members as well as the Sheriff, 911, EMS, and any other department.

Commissioner Jarriel suggested implementing a shared, county-issued phone that the on-call staff would pass between them.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Kennedy to approve Road Superintendent Martin to set the schedule and for a shared county-issued phone to be furnished. Motion carried unanimously.

14. **Department Reports**

**None**

15. **Commission/Staff Comments**

County Manager Frank H. Murphy asked members to consider working closely with Road Superintendent Wayne Martin if they have a day to spare on their respective equipment rotation. The Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environment Protection Division issued a letter in July concerning a notice of violation with a routine compliance inspection noting:

- Perimeter slopes have bare spots or lack vegetation and must be reseeded and mulched
- Woody bushes need removed off of the cap
- Well pads overgrown with dirt and vegetation, markers down, and there are many trees down making accessibility difficult

County Manager Murphy explained Hurricane Helene damages at the old closed landfill out on Rocky Range Road need to be addressed as soon as possible. He went on to add that Charles L. (Landon) Woodall, our geological and environmental consultant who has been involved with the monitoring at the site, has written a response letter confirming our immediate commitment to rectify the situation promptly. Road Superintendent Martin stated he expects it would only take about 3 days and offered to get right on it.

Tattnall County Election Administrator Barbie Mock shared the office is actively focusing on their continuity of operations plan to maintain essential services through any storms or other disruptions. They are also updating voter registrations daily in the state data base.

HR/PR Administrator Angel Melton stated open enrollment for the new insurance year will be held September 3rd and 4th.

16. **Public Comments**

**None**

17. **Executive Session**

County Attorney Tom Peterson stated executive session was needed to discuss pending or potential litigation.

Chairman Kicklighter called for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending or potential litigation.

There was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Allen to go into executive session at 10:27 a.m. to discuss pending or potential litigation. Motion carried unanimously. **(Affidavit signed by Chairman Kicklighter and made part of the Official Record)**

There was motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Conley to go back into open session at 10:59 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

There was a motion by Commissioner Conley and a 2nd by Commissioner Kennedy to approve authorizing County Attorney Tom Peterson to suspend current accusation in regards to Marc Nobles and proceed with filing a new notice of accusation. Motion carried unanimously.

18. **Adjournment**

With no further discussion, there was a motion by Commissioner Jarriel and a 2nd by Commissioner Kennedy to adjourn the meeting at 11:01 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

William (Bill) J. Kicklighter, Chairman

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Sheila R. Mills, Certified County Clerk

# 2027 LMIG PROJECTS

| Road No. | Name | Type | Dist-rict | Owner | Road Limits | Limited Maint | Length | COST | Comment |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CR468 | BURKHALTER RD | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | SR292 - Old Reidsville Collins Rd | | 2.49 | $354,600 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR104/89/90 | HANDY KENNEDY RD (CR104) | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | SR152 - Candler County Line | | 1.94 | $276,300 | LMIG 2027 |
| 1 | RONNY COLLINS RD | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | Cobbtown City Limits - Bill Sikes Rd | | 1.59 | $226,400 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR509 | OLD HWY 250 | Paved | 3 | Tattnall | John Brewton Rd - Evans County | | 1.42 | $274,200 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR584 | MINCEY LOOP | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | SR 23 - Cyril Burkhalter Rd | | 0.69 | $98,300 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR753 | PECAN RD (CR753 Dist 5) | Paved | 5 | Tattnall | Hwy 301 - Mile Field Rd | | 0.67 | $95,400 | LMIG 2027 |
| | | | | | | | 8.80 | $1,325,200 | |

LMIG FUNDING IS $1,204,113 PLUS 10% MATCH FOR TOTAL OF $1,324,524
Part of Old Hwy 250 was included in the 2026 LRA funds.
These projects will be bid out along with the 2026 LRA projects later this month with
bid opening scheduled for late September and awarding at the October Commissioners Meeting

# 2026 LRA / 2027 LMIG RESURFACING PROJECTS

| Road No. | Name | Type | Dist-rict | Owner | Road Limits | Length | Comment |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CR468 | BURKHALTER RD | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | SR292 - Old Reidsville Collins Rd | 2.49 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR755 | BUSTER BROWN RD | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | Evergreen Church Rd - Candler County Line | 1.50 | 2026 LRA |
| CR104/89/90 | HANDY KENNEDY RD (CR104) | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | SR152 - Candler County Line | 1.94 | LMIG 2027 |
| 1 | RONNY COLLINS RD | Paved | 1 | Tattnall | Cobbtown City Limits - Bill Sikes Rd | 1.59 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR214 | LEVI H KENNEDY RD | Paved | 2 | Tattnall | Evans County - Cox Rd | 2.30 | 2026 LRA |
| CR509 | OLD HWY 250 | Paved | 3 | Tattnall | John Brewton Rd - Evans County | 3.88 | 2026 LRA / LMIG 2027 |
| CR394 | LIBERTY ST | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | SR169 - Pine St | 0.07 | 2026 LRA |
| CR392 | MAGNOLIA ST | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | Mendes Rd - Mendes Plum St | 0.09 | 2026 LRA |
| CR394 | MARTHA JO DURRENCE RD | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | Loves Chapel Rd. - SR 169 | 0.26 | 2026 LRA |
| CR393 | MENDES PLUM ST | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | SR169 - Pine St. | 0.08 | 2026 LRA |
| CR584 | MINCEY LOOP | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | SR 23 - Cyril Burkhalter Rd | 0.69 | LMIG 2027 |
| CR393 | PINE ST | Paved | 4 | Tattnall | Mendes Rd. - Mendes Plum St | 0.09 | 2026 LRA |
| CR259 | D L DURRENCE RD (Dist 5) | Paved | 5 | Tattnall | Thomas Creek Bridge - SR121 | 1.92 | 2026 LRA |
| CR753 | PECAN RD (CR753 Dist 5) | Paved | 5 | Tattnall | Hwy 301 - Mile Field Rd | 0.67 | LMIG 2027 |
| | | | | | | 17.57 | |

Total Budget is $2,555,047

Projects to be bid out later this month, with bid opening at the end of September and approval at the October meeting

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF TATTNALL

# AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN

I, William J. (Bill) Kicklighter, Chairman of the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1.
The Tattnall County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on August 3, 2026.

2.
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.
The executive session was called to order at 10:33 a.m./p.m.

4.
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter (s) within the exceptions provided in the open meeting law:

✓ Consultation with the County Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer may be directly Involved in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1);

_____Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2) And _____.

_____Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (4);

_____Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6);

_____ Other_____
_____
_____
As provided in _____

This 3rd day of August, 2026

William J. (Bill) Kicklighter, Chairman
Tattnall County Board of Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed
Before me this 3rd
Day of August, 2026.
Larenda Dasher
Notary Public

LARENDA DASHER NOTARY PUBLIC Comm. Exp. 09/11/27 TATTNALL COUNTY, GA

Chairman William (Bill) J. Kicklighter, Jr.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners
Ricky Jarrid, Bobby Kennedy,
Billy Conley, Wayne Tatum, +
Wanda Cullers
County Attorney Tom A. Peterson
County Manager Frank H. Murphy
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