

**AGENDA  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF  
THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY  
OF WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA**

Walker County Courthouse Annex III, 201 S Main Street  
LaFayette, Georgia 30728

**Date:** Thursday, April 18, 2019

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Call to Order:** Commissioner Whitfield will call the meeting to order

**Invocation:** Given by Commissioner Shannon Whitfield

**Pledge:** United States Flag

**Pledge:** Georgia Flag

**Open of the Special Called Meeting**

**Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Commissioner's Meeting that was held on April 11, 2019

**New Business:**

- I. Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program Agreement, SCRAP TIRE AMNESTY EVENT, Project: 19-ST-0146-004
- II. Resolution R-010-19 to declare property of the Walker County Sheriff's Office Unserviceable Surplus and Removed from County Inventory

**Adjournment:** The Special Called Meeting will be adjourned

**Open Discussion:** **The business on the Agenda being completed, Commissioner Whitfield will open the floor for general discussion. In response to requests from citizens, speakers are asked to limit their comments to 5 minutes and keep them on topics related to county business.**

***The next scheduled Commissioner's Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 6:00 PM.***



**Walker County Governmental Authority**  
***Office of the Commissioner***  
**101 South Duke Street, P.O. Box 445**  
**LaFayette, GA 30728**  
**706-638-1437**

**Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Commissioner's**  
**Meeting**  
**April 11, 2019**

**I. Call to order**

Commissioner Whitfield called to order the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Walker County Government. This meeting was held at Walker County Courthouse Annex III, 201 S Main Street, LaFayette, Georgia at 6:30 PM on April 11, 2019

**II. Attendees**

The following persons were present: Commissioner Shannon Whitfield, Economic and Community Development Director Robert Wardlaw, Human Resources Director Sharleen Robinson, Public Relations Director Joe Legge, Chief Financial Officer Greg McConnell, County Clerk Rebecca Wooden. Other guests signed in at the meeting as well, please see the attached sign in sheet.

**III. Open of the Regular Scheduled Meeting**

- I. Commissioner Whitfield asked Sheriff Wilson if he would discuss and provide the information on Purchase Order No. 2019-00000500 for Court Services for an X-Ray Inspection System for Annex III. Sheriff Wilson explained the Sheriffs are required to carry out security of all Annex's and Courthouse's in Georgia. Annex III doesn't have the capability to scan bags but with this X-Ray Inspection System it would be additional security that is needed. It is a budgeted item for 2018 – 2019. Commissioner Whitfield approved and signed this Purchase Order request for an X-Ray Inspection System for Annex III at \$23,850.00.

- II. Commissioner Whitfield discussed Purchase Order No. 2019-00000668 for Walker County Building Maintenance for a truck for the landscape crew. It is a 2013 Isuzu Landscape Truck, 232,213 miles for \$20,000.00. Our mowing crew has 34 properties throughout Walker County and this vehicle has a new bed on the back for the mowers and landscaping equipment. This vehicle is within our budget and is needed. Commissioner Whitfield approved and signed the Purchase Order.
- III. Commissioner Whitfield explained Purchase Order No. 2019-00000669 for Walker County E911 Center to replace HVAC unit. He explained the unit completely failed and was installed in 1992. He has compared the pricing of repairs versus new and with the efficiency changing drastically the benefits of purchasing a new unit would offset repairing the old unit. Commissioner Whitfield approved and signed Purchase Order No. 2019-00000669 for a new 6 Ton HVAC unit at \$21,756.00.
- IV. Commissioner Whitfield read Resolution R-008-19 Requesting Sales Tax Information from the State of Georgia Department of Revenue. He explained that in 2018 legislature changed and local government can request information on businesses within jurisdiction. We can use this information to help establish a database on businesses within Walker County. Commissioner Whitfield approved and signed Resolution R-008-19.
- V. Commissioner Whitfield read Resolution R-009-19 to Appoint Patty Hart to the Vision 2030 Advance Team and discussed that Ms. Patty Hart served on the Walker County School Board in the past, knows Walker County and will be an asset to this team.
- VI. Commissioner Whitfield discussed the Agreement to Amend the Lease on the Stearns Bank Building in Rock Spring. He explained in 2015 the former administration agreed to purchase this building and at that time of a purchase price of \$830,000.00. The county didn't have the funding and entered into a rent/lease/purchase agreement of 42 months with a balloon payment of \$692,020.38 at the end. The balloon payment is now due. We have worked together on a plan to make a payment of \$390,000.00 now and the balance of \$282,899.79 to be paid on or before November 1, 2019. At that time this building will be paid in full, free and clear owned by Walker County. Overall the total purchase price was a

good price and a current appraisal would be much higher than the price that was paid for a facility of this type.

VII. Commissioner Whitfield read the Proclamation to Recognize Fire Chief Blake Hodge and the State Proclamation honoring Chief Hodge.

I. Commissioner Whitfield reviewed the Walker County Departmental Statistics for March 2019

### III. Adjournment

Commissioner Whitfield adjourned the meeting at 6:34 PM

### IV. Public Comment

{Audio Recording of Commissioner's Meeting comments is on file in the Commissioner's Office – 19-04-11}

### V. Commissioner Comments

{Audio Recording of Commissioner's Meeting comments is on file in the Commissioner's Office – 19-04-11}

Minutes approved by:

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Shannon K. Whitfield  
Sole Commissioner  
Walker County Georgia

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Date

Minutes prepared by: Walker County Clerk, Rebecca Wooden

Sign In Sheet

Regular Scheduled Commissioner's Meeting

April 11, 2019

6:00 PM

Name

Address

Telephone

PA Mulholland

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Dee Decker

Russ Pettigrew

Steve Wilson

Ramy Robinson

Chelle Dee

Rachel Barber

Samuel Curtis

Leon Barber

Erica Williams

**Local Government Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program Agreement  
SCRAP TIRE AMNESTY EVENT**

**Project: 19-ST-0146-004**

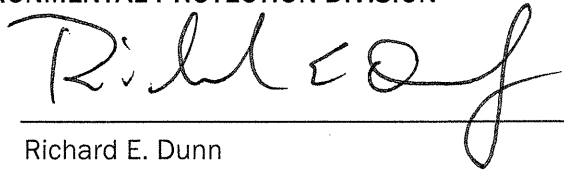
This Reimbursement Agreement (hereafter, "AGREEMENT") authorizes **Walker County** (hereafter, "LOCAL GOVERNMENT") to proceed with the implementation of the scrap tire abatement project as described in the above referenced PROJECT application.

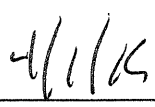
The Environmental Protection Division (hereafter, "EPD") agrees to reimburse the LOCAL GOVERNMENT up to **\$11,000.00** for the scrap tire abatement project as described in the above referenced PROJECT application. Any changes in the scope and/or increases in the estimated cost of implementing the PROJECT must be approved by EPD in writing prior to implementing or incurring them.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees to remove all scrap tires collected during the amnesty event and transport them to a processing/recycling facility that has been approved or permitted by EPD within 30 days of the date of the event. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT further agrees to submit a request for reimbursement to EPD within 90 days of the event date. Requests for reimbursement must include:

- A completed final report form (available from [epd.georgia.gov/scrap-tires](http://epd.georgia.gov/scrap-tires)) signed by the authorized local government representative that includes the certification statement, "I certify that all abatement activities required in the agreed upon contract and any amendments thereto contracts for this project have been carried out in accordance with the documented application, as well as all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. I am aware that there are significant penalties for knowingly violating these and/or submitting false information, including fines, loss of certification or licensure, and imprisonment."
- One or more digital images taken during the event that are at least 300 dpi, no larger than 5 MB, and in one of the following formats: JPG, PNG, TIF
- Itemized list of expenses
- Description of any problems encountered and how they were handled
- Number of volunteers participating (if applicable)
- Names and permit/approval numbers of carriers and processors used, if different from those in the application
- Copies of all itemized contractor invoices showing number and/or tons of tires removed by type (passenger, truck, other)
- Copies of all checks showing amount paid to each contractor
- Copies of all transportation manifests and weight tickets

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

BY:   
Richard E. Dunn  
Director

  
Date

**WALKER COUNTY**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
  
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Print Name  
  
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Title

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
  
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Date



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April 17, 2019

## RETIRE YOUR TIRES AMNESTY DAY EVENT RETURNS APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> FOR WALKER COUNTY RESIDENTS

Chickamauga, GA – Walker County residents will have a chance to participate in a community clean-up effort next week, as the county's popular *Retire Your Tires Amnesty Day* returns. On Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, the Walker County Landfill will accept tires free of charge from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The community removed 6,741 tires during last year's *Retire Your Tires Amnesty Day* event, an 18% increase over 2017. Tires were sent to an approved recycling center and turned into industrial fuel or rubber mulch for landscaping and playground applications.

During the amnesty event, car and light truck tires with wheel sizes 20 inches or less will be accepted, as well as ATV (all-terrain vehicle) tires. Tires must be dismounted from wheels and free of mud and debris. Tires with rims and large truck, tractor or heavy equipment tires are not eligible for amnesty.

*Retire Your Tires Amnesty Day* is only for the public, not for commercial businesses. Proof of residency, such as a driver's license or current utility bill, will be required to dispose of tires for free during the amnesty event. Those participating will also be required to unload their own tires and adhere to a limit of 25 tires per vehicle.

Residents unable to transport tires to the landfill should contact one of Walker County's approved amnesty partners. The City of Rossville, Chattanooga Valley Lions Club and Wilson Road Neighborhood Group are among those participating. Specific contact information can be found at [walkercountyga.gov/tires](http://walkercountyga.gov/tires).

Properly disposing of scrap tires helps eliminate mosquito breeding sites. The wet spring has provided mosquitoes with plenty of locations to lay their eggs. A female mosquito only needs an inch of standing water to lay a batch of over 100 eggs. More mosquitoes this summer could hasten the spread of West Nile Virus.

**RESOLUTION R-010-19**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SOLE COMMISSIONER OF WALKER COUNTY TO  
DECLARE PROPERTY OF THE WALKER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
UNSERVICEABLE SURPLUS AND REMOVE FROM THE COUNTY INVENTORY**

**WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 36-9-2 provides that the county governing authority shall have the control of all property belonging to the county and may, by order entered on its minutes, direct the disposal of any real property which may lawfully be disposed of and make and execute good and sufficient title thereof on behalf of the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff has requested the property listed on Exhibit A be deemed unserviceable surplus and further requests that the property be removed from the County inventory;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Sole Commissioner of Walker County, Georgia that the property listed in Exhibit A attached hereto, and made a part hereof, be hereby declared unserviceable and destroyed forthwith.

**SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED** this 18th day of April, 2019.

**ATTEST:**

**WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA**

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**REBECCA WOODEN**  
County Clerk

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**SHANNON K. WHITFIELD**  
Walker County Sole Commissioner



# MEMO

To: Walker County Commissioner

From: Sheriff Steve Wilson *SSW*

Date: April 12, 2019

Subject: Surplus Equipment

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Please declare the following equipment unserviceable surplus and remove from the County inventory. This equipment is being stored at the Walker County maintenance barn to be auctioned off at the next County Auction.

1. Manitowoc ice maker machine recently removed from service in the Walker County Jail kitchen.
2. Model: SD0452A
3. Serial number: 110072971

*Approved 4/12/19*  
*Steve Wilson*

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