**July 10th, 2025 COMMISSIONERS’ WORKSHOP 6:45 PM**

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Invocation and Pledge.
3. Mr. James Taylor
4. Ms. Teresa Rewis
5. Mr. David Hambrick

**COMMISSIONERS’ MEETING 7:00 PM**

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Approve Agenda.
3. Approve Minutes of June 5th, 2025.

**Old Business:**

1. **Water system –** County attorney has stated that legally, the Authority may be dissolved. The attorney is drafting the legal paperwork for the Board’s review, to submit the proposed legislation to the GA Legislature.

**New Business:**

1. **Lease of the Playground** from the Board of Education. 10 yr lease for $1 / yr
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the lease for the playground?
2. **HB 223 Trees Act.** This legislation allows local governments to forgive the timber tax collections for Q4 of 2024 and all of 2025 by passing a resolution.
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the Temporary Property Tax Relief for Eligible Standing Timber?
3. **Fans and upgraded electrical** work to be installed under the pavilion. GFE is approximately $9,500. (Sponsored by Com Walker)
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the Pavilion expenditures with a Not to Exceed amount of $9,500?
4. **Animal Control Ordinance.** Proposed ordinance incorporates the current ordinance, 2018 supplement, and proposed changes made by Ms. Rodgers several years ago.
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the updated animal control ordinance?
5. **Resolution Establishing the Legal Level of Budgetary Control**. Annual resolution that establishes the legal level of Budgetary control.
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the resolution establishing the legal level of budgetary control?
6. **Budget Policy.** 2026 Budget policy
   1. Do I have a motion to approve the 2026 Echols County Budget Policy?
7. **Adoption of Comprehensive Plan.** DCA has approved the plan.
   1. Do I have a motion to adopt to the 2025-2030 Echols County Comprehensive Plan?
8. **Appointment to Board of Elections.** 
   1. Do I have a motion to appoint (insert name) to the Board of Elections?

**“Is there any further new business”**

**Announcements: (The Chair has the following announcements)**

1. The Couty has been awarded the following grants in June:
   1. The Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) was awarded to Echols County for $7,171. 50/50 match
   2. The LMIG and LRA grants were awarded, with the combined award amount of $514,285. 70/30 match.
   3. Echols County was awarded a $50,582 grant from FEMA to reimburse for repairs to road damage caused by Tropical Storm Debbie. 85/15 match
   4. Echols County was awarded a $26,990 grant to reimburse equipment and labor costs used during Hurricane Helene. No match required.
   5. Echols County was awarded a $1.89m grant to reimburse for debris clearing costs after Hurricane Helene. No Match required.
   6. Echols County was awarded the Local Government Risk Management Services (LGRMS) grant for $506 to purchase vehicle safety equipment. No match required.

**“Does the Board have any other announcements”**

**Executive Session**

**Adjourn**