

**2023 SPLOST Oversight Committee
ORIENTATION MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 15, 2023 – 6:15 P.M.
J.P. Carr Community Center, Conyers, GA**

1. **Call to Order:** SPLOST Chairman Charlie Staples gave welcome remarks and thanked the General Services Department for the refreshments. Chairman Staples also explained the importance of the SPLOST in supplementing county taxes and the county's needs to keep progressing and moving forward. He presented the agenda and explained the different parts of the agenda. He said that SPLOST members have a place on the agenda to make comments, as well as the public. For the public to make an official comment, they must fill out the Public Comment Card available at the welcome front table, give the comment card to the SPLOST Chairman, Vice-Chairman, or Secretary, and wait until the proper time in the agenda to be called to speak. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker to address their concern. Speakers are expected to conduct themselves appropriately. The use of abusive or profane language will not be allowed. It also explained that the function of the Oversight Committee is to make recommendations in the form of motions to the Board of Commissioners to approve.

Invocation: Bill Hughey

Present Members: Arthur A. Vaughn, Aviella Williams, Bill Campbell, Bill Hughey, Celia E. Hemphill, Charles Staples, Charlotte Gellert, Dexter Bowman, Doug Smith, Elaine Nash, James Stone, John van der Spek, Josh Bettenhausen, Joy Douglass, Mary Graco, Michael Sellers, Nichele Ford, Pamela Perdue, Robin Berry, Roger Cannon, Sandra Weatherly, Shawn Bilak, Stephanie Hollman-Curtis, Tanya Cobb, Thomas C. Dean III, Tuwanya Smith, and Yvonne Duncan

Not Present: Dereck Davis, Jeffrey Allen Spencer I, Juan Sebastian Cruz, Shermelle Brooks, Venus Arthur, and Vinette D'Andraded.

Approval of Minutes: Meeting minutes of April 17, 2023, were approved.

2. **Approval of By-Laws:** SPLOST By-Laws approved with one opposed.
3. **Subcommittees** – Group divided into Subcommittees to select a Chair, Vice-Chair and determine the date, time, and place of monthly meetings.

Courthouse:

Chairperson – Stephanie Curtis

Vice-Chair – Dexter Bowman

Date: 3rd Thursday of every month; Time: 6:00 pm

Place: Administrative Bldg. 958 Milstead Ave., Conference Room 106

Finance:

Chairperson – Doug Smith

Vice-Chair – Mary Greco

Date: 3rd Wednesday of every month; Time: 4:00 pm

Place: Administrative Bldg. 958 Milstead Ave., Conference Room 106

Fire/E911:

Chairperson – Bill Hughey
Vice-Chair – Bill Campbell
Date: 1st Thursday of every month; Time: 5:00 pm
Place: Headquarters FS# 7, 1496 Rockbridge Rd., NW

Park & Recreation:

Chairperson – Tonya Cobb
Vice-Chair – Joy Douglass
Date: 2nd Monday of every month; Time: 5:00 pm
Place: Johnson Park Rec. Center, 1781 Ebenezer Rd.

Sheriff:

Chairperson – Michael Sellers
Vice-Chair – Roger Cannon
Date: 3rd Tuesday of every month; Time: 6:15 pm
Place: Executive Briefing Suite, 911 Chambers Dr.

Transportation:

Chairperson – Bill Campbell
Vice-Chair – Arthur Vaughn
Date: 3rd Thursday of every month; Time 3:30 pm
Place: RDOT, 2570 Old Covington Hwy.

4. **Public Comments:** George Kelecheck – Suggested that perhaps a member of staff from the Stormwater Department should attend the Transportation subcommittee.
5. **SPLOST Members' Comments:** Vice-Chair Thomas Dean commented on the enthusiasm he observed from the members of the subcommittees while they were working on the assignment. He congratulated them for their willingness to serve the community.
6. **Other items:** Director Andrew Hammer gave update on the County website SPLOST page it would be published by next SPLOST meeting July 17, 2023.
7. **Adjournment:** There being no further business or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.
8. **Next meeting:**

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at 6:15 p.m. at J.P. Carr Community Center**

Approved:

SPLOST Committee Chair

Date