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DADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
WORK SESSION  
AUGUST 6, 2015

1 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. We'll go ahead  
2 and call the work session to order. It's 6 o'clock.

3 Everyone had time to go over the agenda?  
4 Any questions or changes or any additions?

5 Got anything you want to add, Don, that  
6 you haven't thought of?

7 MR. TOWNSEND: No.

8 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Everyone's had  
9 the minutes from our past meeting. Any changes or  
10 comments on it? We'll put that in the consent  
11 agenda. Personnel status, tab three. Any questions  
12 related to it? There isn't drastic changes as far  
13 as hiring. As usual, the turnover is usually in the  
14 jail. Any questions? Okay. Put that on the  
15 consent agenda.

16 Move down to number four. We have under  
17 board appointments and/or proclamations. We did  
18 have some proclamations. We do have one board  
19 appointment with Allan. He's been searching -- in  
20 search of for several weeks now.

21 MR. BRADFORD: And we're still  
22 working on it.

23 MR. RUMLEY: And still working on  
24 that.

25 So we do have the Primary Healthcare

1 Center Week. That's a proclamation. We've been  
2 doing that for many years. Also the Purple Heart  
3 Day with the American Legion Post. That will be in  
4 August. So look at both of those.

5 MR. BRADFORD: August the 7th will be  
6 tomorrow.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Do what now?

8 MR. BRADFORD: August the 7th will be  
9 tomorrow.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

11 MR. BRADFORD: And I did do a lot of  
12 research today trying to find out how many Purple  
13 Heart recipients we have in Dade County. It's  
14 almost impossible because they put the three states  
15 together, Georgia, Tennessee, and Alabama.

16 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

17 MR. BRADFORD: But by the next  
18 meeting I will have how many Purple Heart recipients  
19 we have in Dade County.

20 MR. SMITH: Living and deceased?

21 MR. BRADFORD: Yeah. Probably won't  
22 be able to have both of them separated. But right  
23 now -- I stayed probably a couple of hours at the VA  
24 today trying to figure out what was going on. But  
25 they have everything in a three-state situation.

1 MR. GOFF: You stayed until they run  
2 you off.

3 MR. BRADFORD: Well, they got tired  
4 of me.

5 MR. RUMLEY: And, of course, he  
6 mentioned the Board of Assessors appointment.  
7 Aubrey Black, he resigned. And then, Allan, he's  
8 interviewed several people. That's really a hard  
9 position to replace because of the time you have to  
10 spend. Right off the bat you've got to go to school  
11 and be gone five days. It's mandatory. And it's  
12 something that's time. And not only does someone  
13 have to do that, but there's a lot of stress to it,  
14 too, you know, being on the assessor board. You get  
15 a lot of phone calls. So good luck on that.

16 MR. BRADFORD: It's working out. I  
17 talked to a couple of people today. When you tell  
18 them they've got to go for five days, and when they  
19 hear that --

20 MR. RUMLEY: Rodney Ross, he's in  
21 your district. You might mention it to him. He  
22 might --

23 MR. BRADFORD: He stays at the fire  
24 department too much.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Okay.

1           Okay. Everyone fine with that, those  
2           proclamations?

3           We'll move down to number five, approval  
4           of SPLOST for Capital Equipment. There shouldn't be  
5           any, which is good.

6           Okay. Move to number six. I have Danny  
7           Ellis here tonight. Everyone knows Danny. We had  
8           some situations in the county here that's really  
9           sad, that people would leave a dog in a car with the  
10          windows rolled up.

11          Danny, come on up here and just tell them  
12          why we're here tonight looking at this ordinance.  
13          You know, give them just -- you don't have to go  
14          into details, but...

15                 MR. ELLIS: Thank y'all for letting  
16          me come up. We had -- or we've been having some  
17          calls the past few days -- or past few years,  
18          actually -- that people have been leaving their pets  
19          in hot cars while they go in. It may be just to run  
20          into the store or it may be just to run in and play  
21          the lottery. Well, they get tied up playing the  
22          lottery and they don't realize how much time has  
23          lapsed. And they've left their dog, their cat, or  
24          whatnot in the car.

25          Georgia doesn't have anything in and on the

1 law books on this type of thing. They are 16 states  
2 in the United States right now that has animal laws  
3 like this. We have the capability and the authority  
4 to if we see an animal in distress, just like a  
5 child, that we can enter that vehicle. We can take  
6 the pet and we can do something with them.

7 This ordinance would give a lot more, excuse  
8 the expression, bite, if you will, for us to do  
9 something with stuff like this. He had one a couple  
10 of weeks ago down at Rising Fawn at the Citgo where  
11 a lady had pulled in. The dog, she left the window  
12 cracked probably a couple of inches. The ambient  
13 temperature was 97 degrees. So can't imagine what  
14 it was inside the vehicle. And she was in probably  
15 20 to 30 minutes playing the lottery.

16 So one of my officers go down. They talk to  
17 her. Of course, she said that she wasn't in there  
18 more than five minutes, ten minutes. The animal was  
19 just about in distress and she decided to go ahead  
20 and take the animal home.

21 So by doing this -- and I talked -- well,  
22 I've gotten --

23 MR. RUMLEY: When you say "distress,"  
24 it was about dead?

25 MR. ELLIS: It was really panting,

1 wanting -- its nose was stuck out of what little bit  
2 was rolled down for it to get air. They had one of  
3 those little fans that was plugged in. Well, all it  
4 was doing was blowing hot air, you know, on the  
5 animal. It didn't even have enough saliva left in  
6 it to drool.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

8 MR. ELLIS: It had gotten that far.

9 I got with Robin a week or so ago on this.  
10 The assistant DA in Cobb County, they had to pass an  
11 ordinance because the state, again, not having  
12 anything.

13 The officers handle things differently.  
14 One officer -- I mean, if you had the same exact  
15 instance, one officer may say willful neglect.  
16 That's a misdemeanor. Another say, well, that's  
17 animal cruelty. That's a felony. So if you get  
18 something on the guidelines -- they recommended,  
19 Cobb County, and that's what they passed just a few  
20 weeks ago and they've got it in effect now, that  
21 after so long the animal being in there and it  
22 showing major distress, it goes from just willful  
23 neglect where there's no water or anything or  
24 something to keep it cool to animal cruelty. So  
25 that's why we're trying to get this and push it.

1 Just where we can have a little bit more help for  
2 the animals to --

3 And I myself, we don't have kids. I've  
4 got two dogs and I treat them just like kids.

5 MR. RUMLEY: I treat mine like kids,  
6 too.

7 MR. ELLIS: And we go somewhere, I  
8 mean, they usually go with us, but usually me or my  
9 wife one will stay in the vehicle with the air going  
10 and, you know, keeping an eye on them while the  
11 other one goes in the store.

12 MR. PITTMAN: This doesn't give  
13 permission to anybody to enter the vehicle, just law  
14 enforcement?

15 MR. ELLIS: Law enforcement --  
16 anybody can from what I can -- I can determine. And  
17 Robin may correct me on this, if I'm wrong, please.  
18 If you see an animal that's in distress and you've  
19 watched that -- that vehicle for more than 15, 20  
20 minutes and you see that the animal is actually in  
21 distress or dying, first of all, they need to call  
22 law enforcement or the fire department, someone like  
23 that. They can pop a window. They can take the  
24 animal. If it needs to go to the vet, they will go  
25 to the vet. The person -- the owner of the animal

1 will be responsible for the bill, not the county,  
2 not the officer, but that person. But anyone can do  
3 that. If they do do that, they need to let -- still  
4 let law enforcement know and leave your information  
5 on the vehicle. Somewhere on the windshield or  
6 somewhere like that.

7 MR. ROGERS: Officer Ellis, there are  
8 some ordinances that do allow for a private  
9 individual to, you know, enter a car to do that.  
10 Our ordinance, though, it limits that to animal  
11 control officer, which -- and law enforcement.

12 MR. PITTMAN: That's what I thought.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

14 MR. ROGERS: If somebody sees it's  
15 going on, they need to call --

16 MR. ELLIS: Yes, they need to call  
17 dispatch and let them know and they'll dispatch one  
18 of us or fire and we'll take care of it.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Wouldn't it be good to  
20 keep dispatch on line when you call? If you see  
21 you're going to break that window out --

22 MR. ELLIS: Right.

23 MR. RUMLEY: -- just have people on  
24 the line just to let them know. That way, you know,  
25 you've not got --

1 MR. PITTMAN: You don't want people  
2 just breaking windows out no matter --

3 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

4 MR. BRADFORD: I think if they use  
5 common sense. But I think you should call 911 first  
6 and then use common sense. Because they're right,  
7 because people will just break out windows to be  
8 breaking them out.

9 MR. PITTMAN: Right. And we don't  
10 need that.

11 MR. ELLIS: Yeah. I mean, you know,  
12 you can pull up, and, you know, you may be just be  
13 running into Golden Gallon up here for a jug of milk  
14 or something and you're in there and somebody says,  
15 oh, there's an animal in there. And they go over  
16 and they do that. Well, that's not --

17 MR. RUMLEY: No.

18 MR. ELLIS: But, like you say, you've  
19 got to have some common sense to go along with it.

20 MR. PITTMAN: Yeah, that's like the  
21 K9 unit, they keep the air conditioner on.

22 MR. ELLIS: Yes.

23 MR. RUMLEY: We bought a nice one  
24 that's got a self-contained air conditioner in and a  
25 water and everything.

1 MR. GOFF: Well, is this contained to  
2 just animals left in the vehicle or -- for instance,  
3 I heard a guy two or three days ago somebody had put  
4 their dog on -- that had literally grown into its  
5 collar. In other words, it was put on and that dog  
6 grew up. Had to be taken and cut from its skin.  
7 That's just as bad.

8 MR. ELLIS: It is. And we've had  
9 calls on that where we've had pitbulls -- of course,  
10 you know, pitulls have got a bad rap. But they do  
11 use them to fight. But we have had several  
12 instances where they have taken cinder blocks and  
13 put them on a trolley on a hill or something to pull  
14 these cinder blocks to build these animals up for  
15 fighting. We find that, we'll prosecute. And that  
16 would go along, still, with the animal cruelty for  
17 not caring for the animal for that collar being too  
18 tight.

19 MR. ROGERS: This ordinance prohibits  
20 cruelty to animals. And it defines that as failure  
21 to provide food, water, ventilation, adequate -- or  
22 other measures that are designed to be injurious to  
23 the animals. So an example of that would be leaving  
24 the animal in the car on hot days and also leaving  
25 them in the bed of trucks if -- extremely hot

1 surfaces or extremely cold surfaces with no means of  
2 escaping that.

3 MR. ELLIS: One of the studies -- I  
4 don't know if it's what you have. But I have some  
5 stuff in my office that shows how much the  
6 temperature will recede from the ambient temperature  
7 by like 10 minutes, 15 minutes, 20 minutes. And a  
8 dog's normal temperature, if I'm not mistaken, is  
9 105, 106 degrees.

10 MR. RUMLEY: I don't know.

11 MR. ELLIS: Well, anything over 85  
12 degrees, it really starts --

13 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

14 MR. ELLIS: -- threatening the  
15 animal. So you know just by going out here on these  
16 hot days that we've had and you get in your vehicle  
17 to go home, you know how long it takes before you  
18 start cooling off. And we've got a higher  
19 temperature, I guess, threshold, really than what  
20 that animal has with all the fur on it.

21 MR. GOFF: Well, they're going to  
22 have to get rid of their heat just from their ears  
23 and their panting and that's about -- you know, we  
24 sweat all over.

25 MR. ELLIS: Right. Right.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Any more questions?

2 Okay. Appreciate you. Appreciate you talking to  
3 us.

4 MR. ELLIS: Thank you, sir.

5 MR. RUMLEY: Before we put it on the  
6 consent agenda, we've got another -- will we have to  
7 have two readings after this, not counting this?

8 MR. ROGERS: No. This will count as  
9 one and then we'll need one more.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Everyone fine  
11 with that? Okay. Let's go ahead and put it on the  
12 consent agenda.

13 All right. Let's move down to Resolution  
14 R-40-15. FY15.

15 MR. SMITH: Can we go back to that  
16 just a minute?

17 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah. Go ahead.

18 MR. SMITH: Does that have to wait  
19 until September or could we have it as part of the  
20 August 22 meeting?

21 MR. TOWNSEND: It can be.

22 MR. RUMLEY: We can just start off by  
23 doing it before the meeting and -- that's fine. It  
24 would be better.

25 MR. SMITH: I mean, if we're going

1 to --

2 MR. RUMLEY: It would have to be  
3 one -- they have to be spaced two weeks like from  
4 now or something at a time.

5 MR. ROGERS: We don't have a time in  
6 our procedures.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Of the second meeting.

8 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah. Okay. All right.  
9 Move down to the FY 2015, the final amendment there.

10 Don, you want to explain that?

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Each year we propose  
12 the final budget amendment. And this one is a  
13 little early this year. We're still posting, as you  
14 may know, for the first 60 days of the new fiscal  
15 year, which we file FY16. We post back anything  
16 that was purchased or services rendered in the prior  
17 year, prior to June 30th. So, so far a lot of those  
18 things normally come in the first 30 days. We have,  
19 you know, 24 more days or so to go. So we could  
20 possibly have to come back and do another amendment  
21 here, but hopefully this will suffice at the present  
22 time. And we took, as you can see, the breakdown on  
23 the revised budget summary. One department, Board  
24 of Elections, was over \$78,000. So we took 70,000  
25 of those dollars and then just spread it equally

1 among --

2 MR. RUMLEY: That were under that?

3 Under budget.

4 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, under budget.

5 Yeah. Under budget. So we took those excess funds,  
6 if you want to put it that way, and then spread it  
7 out according to whatever lines and every other  
8 department that was over. Which is something we  
9 have to do to show to the Georgia Department of  
10 Audits and Accounts in order to comply with the  
11 state law on the expense side of the budget. The  
12 revenue side of the budget, you don't have to do  
13 that. It can be positive, negative, whatever. But  
14 expense side, they have to have a zero. A hundred  
15 percent or less. So that's what we've done with all  
16 this.

17 MR. PITTMAN: Is that going to be --

18 MR. RUMLEY: Well, you know where  
19 it's at. You've had time to question it.

20 MR. TOWNSEND: And normally I bring  
21 it to you about September, October. Just trying to  
22 get a head start.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Everyone fine  
24 with it? Okay. Put that on the consent agenda.

25 All right. Number eight. We'll move

1 down. Mr. Todd Blackmon and Ron. Come on up here.  
2 How are y'all tonight?

3 MR. BLACKMON: Good. I've got some  
4 fliers here that I just -- we come up with just a  
5 little idea. I talked to Scottie and talked to  
6 Stacy about it. And Ron called me about it. So  
7 what we're doing is what we're calling a Noogastrong  
8 Throwdown. It's a cornhole tournament. And we'll  
9 be having it at the Dade County Soccer Complex. All  
10 of this money that's raised is going back to the  
11 five soldiers that were killed. And it's going into  
12 the Peyton Manning fund of what you see what the  
13 fund is. What it's for is for day-to-day expenses  
14 for whatever.

15 We have had -- of course, you know, put it  
16 on Facebook and we've been around and all this kind  
17 of stuff. And we're getting a lot of stuff coming  
18 in, but the reason I'm up here is just to thank  
19 y'all for letting us use this facility at no charge,  
20 but also if you could help out putting the word out  
21 and see if we can make this just -- not just a  
22 one-time but an annual thing. I don't know what  
23 else -- I mean, we've got --

24 MR. RUMLEY: You're putting it out  
25 pretty much in Chattanooga and everywhere. You're

1 putting --

2 MR. BLACKMON: And Dade County.

3 Yeah.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Yeah.

5 MR. BLACKMON: Yeah, we've got -- you  
6 know -- he's mainly been doing all the running  
7 around. But we've got, you know, Raceways giving  
8 gift cards. We've got people donating money. We've  
9 got -- you know, I've went to some of these areas  
10 around here and they're also giving stuff. And, you  
11 know, we're looking for vendors, too. If you know  
12 of some vendors that might want to sell something,  
13 you know, all we ask is like they give a certain  
14 percentage of it, you know?

15 As you can see, the prizes are -- is just  
16 first and second. It's just plaques I'm having  
17 made. There's no cash money going to be, you know,  
18 turned over to the winners of it, you know? One  
19 hundred percent is all going. I talked to Stacy  
20 last week, I guess it was, and we confirmed that  
21 that's where we're having it at. And let me tell  
22 you this: He has called about three or four  
23 different places in Chattanooga to have it and  
24 they're wanting to charge \$2,000.

25 MR. PHIPPS: It was 2,000 to \$3,000.

1 MR. BLACKMON: And you just can't do  
2 any --

3 MR. PHIPPS: And you can't do a  
4 benefit if you're \$3,000 already in the hole.

5 MR. BLACKMON: -- doing that kind of  
6 stuff. I mean, we wanted it down here, but we knew  
7 more of the people would be, you know, with it being  
8 a Chattanooga, you know, Noogastrong Throwdown.

9 MR. RUMLEY: You'd think, though, for  
10 giving to the needy like that, needy people, that  
11 there'd be -- that they'd have, you know, a clause  
12 in there that they could --

13 MR. BLACKMON: Well, that's what we  
14 thought.

15 MR. RUMLEY: I mean, you know, if  
16 y'all were doing stuff for profit, it's different.

17 MR. BLACKMON: Right. Well, we got  
18 in, hopefully, a contact with the Wyatt --

19 MR. PHIPPS: Yes.

20 MR. BLACKMON: The Wyatt family is  
21 possibly going to be showing up.

22 MR. PHIPPS: And we're going to try  
23 to get in touch with the Navy Petty Officer.

24 MR. BLACKMON: Yeah. And all of the  
25 people at the recruiting office down there, we've

1 contacted them, told them what we are doing. And  
2 we're hoping that they get to come down and do all  
3 this.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

5 MR. BLACKMON: We're just going to  
6 see how it goes. We're hoping that this is not just  
7 a one-time thing. We want to do this yearly. And,  
8 you know, we never know, it may -- hope that don't  
9 happen again. But this is something that is very  
10 close to us and happened to us. Close to our home  
11 town. And I think that if we can do it here and  
12 show that Dade County actually is trying to do  
13 something for Chattanooga, it may help us out. I  
14 don't know. I mean, it's just something -- it's  
15 something new to us and we're going to try to do  
16 something with it. And Stacy said he'd -- I'm going  
17 to go down on that Friday and he's going to help me  
18 put some stuff -- I'm going to try to get some -- go  
19 to Moore's Funeral Home and Ryan's Funeral Home and  
20 see if I can borrow some of their tents to set up.  
21 We're going to have some live bands come down.

22 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

23 MR. BLACKMON: And stuff like that.

24 But --

25 MR. PHIPPS: And I'm going to put it

1 in the Times Free Press this Sunday. Eddie put it  
2 in the paper for us this week.

3 MR. BLACKMON: And it's on the radio  
4 station, too. So, I mean, if y'all can just put the  
5 word out for us, it would truly help us. Our phone  
6 numbers are on there and all that. It would just  
7 truly help us out.

8 MR. PITTMAN: Have you got a lot of  
9 entries so far, Todd?

10 MR. BLACKMON: Yeah. I mean, I've  
11 got it on the website where you can enter. But, you  
12 know, a lot of people are not going to do that.  
13 They're just going to show up. And that's fine. I  
14 just wanted to try to get an idea of what we were  
15 going to have. But like I said, people have already  
16 called and said, you know, we're coming. And just  
17 on my Facebook page, I've already had like a hundred  
18 people said they were coming.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

20 MR. BLACKMON: Now, they may not be  
21 playing. They just want to show up.

22 MR. RUMLEY: Well, if they show up, a  
23 lot of them contribute.

24 MR. BLACKMON: Exactly. We tried  
25 Coke, but is having a big corporate event that

1 weekend.

2 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah. They were doing  
3 all corporate that weekend.

4 MR. BLACKMON: But, I mean, like I  
5 said, we're just looking for any type of help. You  
6 know, whatever we make is going straight in. And  
7 then what I was planning on doing is, after I had  
8 this event, was coming back the first week in the  
9 beginning of September and saying, "This is what we  
10 made." And just try to do -- I mean, I think it  
11 would be a good help for us, you know, whatever, but  
12 you know.

13 MR. PHIPPS: We're also talking to a  
14 group out of Knoxville. They have a club up there,  
15 too. We got the word out to them. Maybe they'll  
16 come down, too.

17 MR. BLACKMON: That's all I've got.

18 MR. RUMLEY: We appreciate it. Dade  
19 County appreciates you. And the people surely do.  
20 We'll do everything we can to put the word out.  
21 You're on TV tonight, so a lot of people watch this.  
22 You've got a number on here to call.

23 MR. BLACKMON: Yeah.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Yeah.

25 MR. BLACKMON: So just call if you

1 got any questions, or if anybody's got any  
2 questions.

3 MR. PHIPPS: We've got a Facebook  
4 page for it, too. A separate page.

5 MR. BLACKMON: It's just like that.  
6 It says Noogastrong Throwdown.

7 MR. RUMLEY: I like it. Appreciate  
8 it. I appreciate you talking to us.

9 Okay. Anyone got anything else? I've got  
10 a couple of things I want to talk about.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: The only thing I've  
12 got under tab nine, I didn't put it on the agenda,  
13 but the tax forms, just so y'all have another copy.  
14 Just recall that the meeting for the millage rate is  
15 August 27th, 2015, at 6:30 here in this room. And  
16 it's been advertised. It's going down. There's a  
17 decrease. We do not have to have the three public  
18 hearings.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. All right. I  
20 just want to mention an issue we've got going on in  
21 the south end. We had a call about it Monday, I  
22 guess it was, that there was some mud and stuff  
23 really pumping into the creek there under one of the  
24 bridges. So went down and looked at it -- well,  
25 actually it was late in the evening -- and traced it

1 back up to the site there above the community  
2 center. And the next morning Hugh Blevins and  
3 myself went down. I mean, Hugh's our enforcement  
4 for erosion. We found out they cleared about --  
5 probably about -- it looks like five to seven acres,  
6 maybe more than that. And went up and talked with  
7 some people. Actually, you know, they didn't have  
8 an erosion control or anything up. We found out  
9 they were building four mega chicken houses there.  
10 Which there are chicken houses all over Dade County  
11 and there will be chicken houses built from now on.  
12 But you've got a process you've got to go through,  
13 you know, to do that, and disturbing that much land,  
14 but anyway.

15           And they assured me that the owner and the  
16 engineering of it applied for a permit. Well, we're  
17 the local issuing authority in Dade County. You  
18 come -- you know, the way you do it, you come here  
19 first. You know, you bring your sets of prints and  
20 Joe Lee's (phonetic) involved, which is our federal  
21 person there. And so I came back to my office and  
22 called and they had went around us and went in and  
23 filed it directly into Atlanta and into the office.  
24 So left the county and the community totally out of  
25 it. We had no idea that they were, you know. You

1 know, we, of course, got the area that's going to be  
2 affected out there. They're really upset, you know,  
3 for not knowing and, you know, being, you know, left  
4 -- so, anyway, it's turned into a big thing. They  
5 did give them permission to go ahead and start back  
6 to work, now, providing that they build their  
7 retention ponds and all that, you know. That's what  
8 they're working on now.

9           Trying to set up a meeting maybe next with  
10 the company, chicken company and owner and all and  
11 have the EPD here, too, because they tell us that  
12 they're the ones that now that are enforcing it. We  
13 don't -- they'll be the ones that come in and do an  
14 inspection, you know, because they did go through  
15 them and not through us first.

16           You know, it's just not good to do that.  
17 I mean, it's not -- you know, your local people need  
18 to know what's going on, whether they agree with it  
19 or not, you know? It's not something that you  
20 should do is go around and then us find it out by  
21 them putting mud in the creek. I mean, it was bad.  
22 It was really bad. And it's possible we'll have a  
23 fine on that. I'm sure. That will be up to the  
24 EPD. So anyway, I'll keep y'all briefed on that,  
25 what's going on with that.

1           That's really the only thing I wanted to  
2 talk about. The rest of it I can give in my report.  
3 I just wanted to -- y'all got any questions about  
4 it? Of course, Robert was involved. He'd been  
5 called. And he's the commissioner on that end.

6           Y'all got anything y'all want to talk  
7 about? If not, we'll go ahead and adjourn the  
8 meeting. And we'll just take a few-minute break and  
9 we'll go ahead and get into this because we don't  
10 have a lot on the agenda here.

11           MR. BRADFORD: I think everybody  
12 should read about the chickens.

13           MR. RUMLEY: Yeah. Take it home to  
14 read. It's pretty interesting reading. This is  
15 from the University of Georgia. It's not, you know,  
16 I'm against chicken houses. I mean, I may want a  
17 chicken house one day myself. But I guarantee you  
18 I'm going to do it right. I'm going to do  
19 everything right by the book. All right.

20           (Work session concluded.)  
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DADE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

AUGUST 6, 2015

1 MR. RUMLEY: All right. We'll go  
2 ahead and start the meeting. I appreciate all y'all  
3 being here tonight.

4 I'd like to ask Robert to open in prayer  
5 and also the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Goff.  
6 Everyone stand, please.

7 (Whereupon, the invocation and Pledge  
8 of Allegiance were given.)

9 MR. RUMLEY: This is the regular  
10 scheduled meeting of the Dade County Board of  
11 Commissioners. It takes place at the same time on  
12 the first Thursday of every month. Proper notice of  
13 this meeting was given to our legal organ of the  
14 Dade County Sentinel, and was posted in the hallway  
15 of the administrative building. At this time I do  
16 need a roll call.

17 Mr. Smith?

18 MR. SMITH: Here.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

20 MR. PITTMAN: Here.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

22 MR. GOFF: Here.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

24 MR. BRADFORD: Here.

25 MR. RUMLEY: Chair is present. Okay.

1 All right.

2 Mitchell, you want to go ahead and start  
3 with your community report?

4 MR. SMITH: The 911 call center 1,952  
5 for the month of July. 250 EMS. 306 fire and  
6 rescue. 26 forestry and public works. 1,370 law  
7 enforcement calls. Yesterday the Dade County  
8 ambulance and first responder car passed their  
9 annual inspection by the state. And administered  
10 and properly maintained and properly stocked. They  
11 checked the tread on the tires and all that. So it  
12 was in good shape and therefore can be used.

13 The road crew has paved right at 4.1 miles  
14 to date. And here two or three months ago, two  
15 months in a row, I reported that Highway 299 bridge  
16 would be out for bid once again. And it was out for  
17 bid on Georgia procurement. Called back the next  
18 month to check and it had been postponed. Well,  
19 it's been put off to 2017. And roughly all I can  
20 say, and I may get in trouble, but M&D apparently is  
21 more concerned with south Georgia than they are this  
22 north Georgia county up here. And that's all I've  
23 got to say.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Scottie?

25 MR. PITTMAN: Well, t-ball, baseball,

1 it's almost over. I talked to Stacy. They should  
2 be wrapping up this week. And we'll go straight  
3 from baseball into soccer. Stacy's already working  
4 on the soccer fields, getting them ready. Don't  
5 know yet how many kids we'll have sign up for  
6 soccer, but it's usually a pretty good turnout.

7           Todd Blackmon and Ron Phipps talked during  
8 the meeting. He called me about a week and a half  
9 ago and asked if we had any problems with them using  
10 the soccer fields for this Noogastrong Throwdown  
11 cornhole tournament. And I told him I didn't have a  
12 problem with it. We just had to talk with the other  
13 guys and make sure nobody else had a problem and get  
14 with Stacy to coordinate a date. So they came up  
15 with August 22nd. It's a really good -- really good  
16 idea by Todd to get Dade County involved. Because  
17 even though we're not Chattanooga, we are -- I guess  
18 you'd call a suburb of Chattanooga. So we've got a  
19 lot of family and friends that live in Chattanooga  
20 that were effected directly by this. And I'd like  
21 to commend Todd and Ron for all the hard work  
22 they're doing. So everybody mark their calendar  
23 August 22nd. At 9 a.m. it starts. The tournament  
24 starts. So should be quite a bit going on as far as  
25 vendors and just a lot of people standing around

1 fellowshiping and making -- raising money for a good  
2 cause.

3 That's all I've got.

4 MR. RUMLEY: Robert?

5 MR. GOFF: Well, I don't have a lot.  
6 I told Commissioner Pittman so he would have a lot  
7 to talk about, so...

8 Really the only thing as far as going on  
9 with legislature, we know of nothing now. We are a  
10 little bit over a month into the new gas taxes, the  
11 excise tax, for fuel. And ironically enough, gas  
12 has been lower since that happened. I don't think  
13 it had anything to do with anything. It's great.  
14 It's summertime and people are buying a lot of  
15 gasoline, I'm sure. But it's been lower than almost  
16 any time in recent history. And staying very much  
17 in line across the state line now. So we are only a  
18 month into it. And I think they said it would be  
19 maybe three months before we would start seeing a  
20 real impact to that.

21 So we look and SPLOST and loss and we were  
22 just having a discussion about it between the  
23 meetings. Loss, they were bulked up a little bit  
24 this month. But July, historically is the best  
25 month -- usually the best month of the year for

1 SPLOST. And it has gone down. I mean, you look  
2 back just a few years. I'm not going through this  
3 whole thing. But there was as much as \$313,000  
4 coming into Dade County in SPLOST in the month of  
5 July. And we're down to 146,000 -- or 182,146 on  
6 loss. So revenues have just continued to fall on  
7 that. But I don't know what impact this will have.  
8 Hopefully it's not going to be as severe as we first  
9 thought. A lot of things are going on. Anyway  
10 just --

11           Scottie spoke on the fields down there. I  
12 know that the football are looking for goalposts.  
13 And hopefully they'll be able to put some goalposts  
14 up and make it look more like a field where they can  
15 actually play some of the games down there, perhaps,  
16 when they have them. And so keep that in mind. If  
17 you know anybody that's got any like four-inch tube  
18 steel that's just laying around in your back yard,  
19 they might be able to use it and build themselves some  
20 with that if it has to come to that.

21           That's about it.

22           MR. RUMLEY: All right. Thank you,  
23 Robert. Allan?

24           MR. BRADFORD: First of all, I'd like  
25 to say that we had a couple of people, lifelong

1 residents of Dade County that passed away. Carol  
2 Thomas and Bert Minor, which had lived here for  
3 many, many years. Keep them in your prayers.  
4 Fred's going to have to try to run those chicken  
5 houses by himself and I don't know how he's going to  
6 do it without Carol because it's going to be a major  
7 job.

8 As far as our transfer station, it's done  
9 really great. We had 645 tons of garbage this  
10 month, which was almost a hundred tons more than last  
11 month. And the reason for it, we really don't know.  
12 But it keeps going higher and higher every time I go  
13 down there. And our recycle brought in \$749, which  
14 is not a lot, but that brings in funds every month  
15 through the recycle system. And we had 278 work  
16 orders for the county. And I think they do a good  
17 job getting these done because I can call and within  
18 a day or the next day they've got that job taken  
19 care of. And it really makes us feel good when they  
20 can do that. So that's been a real good thing.

21 And we went to Atlanta here a couple,  
22 three weeks ago, whenever it was, and I asked about  
23 when they're going to do anything with 136 west, you  
24 know, coming from Walker County. And so finally,  
25 after being on the phone yesterday for a couple of

1 hours, they messed up by giving me all their cards.  
2 I kept calling until I got an answer, and it is  
3 approved to be done in 2016, Walker line all the way  
4 to the highway over here. And funds are already set  
5 aside to do that with. People drive up and down  
6 136 -- and I know Tom's looking at me real strange  
7 like he don't believe it. I'm not sure either, but  
8 I'm just telling you what I was told. And I do have  
9 names, if you want to call them. But anyway, that's  
10 a good feeling because 136, if you go up and down  
11 Lookout Mountain, it's getting really bad. I mean,  
12 it's rough. I mean, a lot of dips and bumps and  
13 stuff that's happening. I'm afraid there's going to  
14 be some bad accidents. But they assured me  
15 yesterday, and I have the man's name, that it would  
16 be done in April of 2016.

17 And that's all I've got.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Okay.

19 It's been a -- been a busy month. In  
20 fact, it really flew by. It's hard to believe it's  
21 August. I had a couple of meetings with our GDOT  
22 people. Had one this last week. Well, once, with  
23 the mayor. And the Georgia Department of  
24 Transportation came up. They -- we actually --  
25 years ago there was money that was applied for and

1 actually approved for the interstate to be lit on  
2 the interchange here, similar to what you have in  
3 Chattanooga, Fort Payne exits. And the mayor has  
4 agreed to rekindle that and take advantage of that  
5 money. And so that's something I think you'll be  
6 seeing here, not in the next week or two because  
7 it's going to take several months to get everything  
8 together. But, you know, he's got behind it. And  
9 we look forward for that happening because it is  
10 kind of a dark exit and it will help a lot. The  
11 only thing the city will have to pay for will be  
12 the -- of course, the power bill after the state  
13 erects all the lights and furnishes all the  
14 equipment. The city will maintain the power bill,  
15 which for now -- if we put them in before, they were  
16 standard lighting, I think. Now, it's LED and it  
17 will be probably -- I guess it would probably be  
18 half of what the power bill would normally be.

19           Also, we've been talking about this, this  
20 intersection light at the red light down here. If  
21 you've ever been kind of -- or involved in any close  
22 calls there, you know, you stop and it looks like  
23 you're running right into traffic. You've got to go  
24 around and get over to the southbound lane. Well,  
25 GDOT, they're actually really serious about it.

1 They've got some people coming in, or have been, and  
2 done some research. They've got some engineering  
3 that they're doing. And believe it or not, they're  
4 looking at putting a roundabout down there. I don't  
5 know if you've ever been up through that tunnel --  
6 yeah, I laughed too. But he showed me some -- he  
7 showed me some pictures of some GDOT roundabouts  
8 they've got now with semi tractor trailer traffic  
9 and it works, you know. But, anyway, that's --  
10 they're looking at two different sizes of, you know,  
11 roundabouts and some other things that they think  
12 they can do to actually help and help the traffic  
13 flow through in the evenings. That's not the same  
14 area. I don't know if that would help as far as the  
15 traffic in the evening when it backs all the way up  
16 to the square. But they're going to do due  
17 diligence on it. So we'll see what they come back  
18 with. They said it'd be probably November before  
19 they come up with anything. And we'll keep you  
20 informed on that.

21 We had a real good week last week, I guess  
22 it was. Forestry was here all week. They was set  
23 up in here. They use this for their headquarters.  
24 Had foresters from all over the state of Georgia  
25 here. They were going to different communities and

1 ever over to Walker County to promote fire  
2 prevention. And done a real good job. And they  
3 were also here at Dade Days. We appreciate them  
4 staying for that. They handed out a lot of stuff  
5 and a lot of -- they really -- a lot of people. It  
6 was amazing how they paid attention to children. So  
7 we were glad they came up.

8 Also attended a -- we had a called meeting.  
9 This meeting was called about a month ago  
10 concerning -- with the Health Department. EPD was  
11 involved in it and there was also some Federal EPA  
12 person there representing the state and the federal  
13 people concerning the Johnson's Crook development  
14 down in Rising Fawn. They have ceased to give any  
15 permits at all for any buildings down there  
16 pertaining to the percolation of the soil, the  
17 septic tanks. So until further notice, that's come  
18 to a halt. There's no building going on there at  
19 all. And, also, pertaining to the adequate water  
20 going in, we've got a very small line that's  
21 furnishing water to a lot of homes there. And  
22 they've got -- so they will be doing a lot of  
23 investigating there. It was a lengthy meeting. And  
24 also had members from that Homeowners Association  
25 there, also. So that's something we'll keep you

1 informed on that. But that was called by the Health  
2 Department, the Georgia Public Health and the EPD.

3 The factory that we've been talking about  
4 for, I don't know, months, and months, and months,  
5 hopefully -- we're waiting for -- around the 15th or  
6 so to be able to -- or the IDA will make an official  
7 announcement. I've met -- I spent a lot of time  
8 this month, you know, meeting with different people.  
9 The contractor has been bid. So we know who's going  
10 to build the building. Met with Sequatchie Concrete  
11 a different day -- or day before yesterday. And  
12 then met also with the building contractor. And, of  
13 course, they're bidding on it. All of this is put  
14 out to bid. But, you know, Sequatchie, we're  
15 convincing them to open their -- of course, open  
16 their plant. I hope they can open it back up full  
17 time. But they're right there on the premises. So  
18 it would be crazy to lose that bid. From what I  
19 understand, all of it's going to be night. It will  
20 be poured at night. So anyway, we'll give you --  
21 hopefully we'll have -- IDA will be able to set it  
22 up and have a big announcement there and -- and  
23 what's holding it back is the state. I think the  
24 governor and all the politicians down there that's  
25 still involved in this, you know, they want to be,

1 of course, here and take it apart and take some of  
2 the framing, or whatever you want to call it. We  
3 just -- we just need to get this thing going and get  
4 on with it and -- because it's going to be a rush,  
5 rush, rush thing. From what I understand, they want  
6 to be up and actually in production by next April.  
7 So it's -- and if you -- you can see how large this  
8 thing is. It's going to be -- I don't see how it's  
9 possible. But I guess if you work 24 hours a day  
10 maybe you can do that.

11 We also met with the GDOT again pertaining  
12 to this red light we've been talking about for a  
13 year, which is over at the high school. And the  
14 school board is supposed to be talking about that.  
15 And all we have to pay for, all the county or the  
16 school board, is just for the installation of it.  
17 And from then on it's maintained and everything is  
18 paid for by the state. So I don't think it will be  
19 up, you know, of course, before school starts,  
20 because it starts next week, I think, or week after.  
21 But hopefully by, you know, mid football season or  
22 somewhere in there we can have some good news on  
23 that and you'll see that. Because it's really  
24 needed over there. I mean, been a lot of accidents  
25 happen there coming in and out. So we'll keep you

1 up on that also.

2 Y'all got anything else? Okay.

3 And also I did want to talk to y'all. So of  
4 y'all weren't here during the -- but we still got an  
5 issue down there on some excavating going on there  
6 in Rising Fawn on some poultry houses. We have an  
7 issue mainly because they did go around -- straight  
8 to the state and not through our local issuing  
9 authority here where we could actually keep the  
10 public informed on what's going on. And Robin is  
11 looking into some things there on this sort of  
12 thing, on some setbacks that other counties have.  
13 In fact, most counties have. And by the next  
14 meeting we'll be able to report. Hopefully we'll  
15 have a public hearing down there in the next week or  
16 so and have the people involved in the actual  
17 building of these things. And it will be advertised  
18 in the paper for anybody that wants to come. And we  
19 can really get into that and find out what's really  
20 going on. Because there's going to be -- actually  
21 Eddie and I was just talking about it. In northwest  
22 Georgia there's a tremendous amount of building of  
23 poultry houses now that's coming up and they're  
24 building mega houses. They're hope -- one company  
25 is hoping to build 40 before January -- of them up

1 and construction. Not just in Dade County, but in  
2 Dade, Walker, Catoosa, and Chatooga, in this  
3 northwestern corner. So it's something we need to  
4 look at as a commission and be fair about it, you  
5 know? Because, I mean, you know, I like chicken and  
6 the chicken's got to come from somewhere. But  
7 you've got to -- you know, you don't want to put a  
8 poultry house there right in a apartment complex or  
9 a residential. You just can't. Can't let that  
10 happen. This is not forbidding them to be built,  
11 but it's actually some setbacks that other counties  
12 have implemented a long time ago. Anyway, we'll  
13 keep you up on that also.

14 Move on down here to Mrs. Marshana Sharp.  
15 She's the manager of our Dade Public Library.  
16 Marshana?

17 MRS. SHARP: Well, we ended up summer  
18 reading on the 30th. And we had 317 children sign  
19 up, and over half of them, we haven't gotten all the  
20 numbers in yet, but have finished the program. We  
21 had ten family programs, children-family programs,  
22 two teen programs, three adult programs. In all  
23 attendance, if we add them all up -- of course, some  
24 of them were the same people -- it was 1900 children  
25 and adults attended the programs. On the last day,

1 on the 30th, we recognized some of our local heroes  
2 and we gave out hero awards and we gave out one to  
3 the county, the city and school board, and some of  
4 the fire departments and the police departments.

5 I want to thank all of -- the ones that  
6 came. All of y'all that came. Had a whole bunch of  
7 officials, people that were there. And I really  
8 appreciate that. It was a really good turnout.

9 We also ended our physical FY15. It ended  
10 June 30th. And we were able that year to have 14  
11 adult programs, 46 children programs, 15 family  
12 programs, and a couple of teen programs. We checked  
13 over 43,000 items. And we had over 27,000 visitors  
14 come through the door. Of course, some were the  
15 same ones. It's just different days.

16 We have a lot of new things that are going  
17 on. We're working on a creative text zone. Our 3D  
18 printer's up. Anybody wants to come over and try it  
19 out. We've been printing little items. But  
20 hopefully we'll have the scanner up soon so you can  
21 scan something and print it. Right now you just  
22 have to choose something that's already 3D form.

23 We have Mango language that's available now.  
24 If you'll go to our website, you can click on it.  
25 It's very easy to use. Come to the library. I'll

1 show you. You can learn 70 different languages.  
2 And it will specifically do like conversation, legal  
3 conversations, medical conversations, stuff like  
4 that. But it's real easy to use. And we have a lot  
5 of people using it.

6 And we also have Learning Express, which has  
7 pretty much every test -- pre-test that you need to  
8 take for GED, any post office, military, all those  
9 tests, has practice tests and things like that on  
10 it. And anyone wants to know about that, you're  
11 welcome to come by and I'll show you how to get on  
12 that.

13 Thank y'all and thank you for all your  
14 support. And we've had a really good year. And  
15 hope this year will be the same. And look out for a  
16 lot of new things coming. Do y'all have any  
17 questions?

18 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you. Good job.

19 MR. GOFF: Thank you. Appreciate it.

20 MR. RUMLEY: Appreciate you.

21 All right. Kristy Hammond?

22 MS. HAMMOND: Well, we've got a  
23 senior 4-Her here tonight.

24 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Good. Tell  
25 us who you are.

1 MR. WALDEN: My name is Justin  
2 Walden.

3 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. I know who you  
4 are. Everybody else don't know who you are.

5 MR. BRADFORD: You look good with  
6 that haircut.

7 MR. WALDEN: This month we had summer  
8 fun days. 4-Hers visited the Lost Sea and the  
9 Mayfield Dairy. We went on a hike at the  
10 Chickamauga Battlefield and we played disc golf at  
11 Cloudland Canyon.

12 Livestock animals were showed and tagged  
13 and registered in the system. The livestock show  
14 team attended the lamb and goat shows in Calhoun.  
15 Gracie Hunter placed second in showmanship with her  
16 lamb. Participating in the goat show were Brett  
17 Dyer, who won showmanship and two of his goats were  
18 named champion and reserve champion. Joe Hicks  
19 placed third in showmanship. And Carol Ann Cash  
20 placed second in showmanship and third in class.  
21 And Jacob Gass placed fourth in showmanship.

22 Mr. Rich carried Cody Doyle and myself to  
23 be honored at State Congress Banquet for our  
24 achievement in winning the State Land Judging  
25 Competition.

1           The extension office collaborated with  
2 Walk Georgia staff and Cloudland Canyon State Park  
3 to host the first ever Walk Georgia event at a state  
4 park. Participants traveled from Warren Robins to  
5 the event.

6           Upcoming events. Dade County's first  
7 family agriculture fair will take place at the  
8 extension office on August 27th from 5 to 8 p.m.  
9 There will be livestock reviewing, beekeeping,  
10 looming, and wildlife demonstrations, as well as  
11 drawing, photography, canning, and sewing contests.  
12 All ages are encouraged to enter the contest. Rules  
13 and drop-off times are available at the extension  
14 office for those interested. While the event will  
15 be free of charge, there will be a small admission  
16 fee for the petting zoo.

17           And this Saturday the 4-H land judging team  
18 will be traveling to Rock Eagle for the state  
19 contest.

20           Ms. Katie, Ms. Allison, and Mr. Rich will  
21 attend open house at Dade Elementary, Davis  
22 Elementary, and the middle school to promote 4-H.  
23 Both meetings will begin the third week of August.

24           Ms. Katie attended the Tennessee, Alabama,  
25 Georgia fire prevention meeting and the state heard

1 meeting in Macon.

2 Any questions?

3 MR. RUMLEY: Any questions?

4 MR. GOFF: You're doing a great job.

5 MR. RUMLEY: Good work. Appreciate  
6 it.

7 You know, they say that's one of the  
8 hardest things in life to do, you know, as far as --  
9 is public speaking. When I was a kid, I --

10 MR. SMITH: She and Rich have brought  
11 several.

12 MR. RUMLEY: They have. And they've  
13 done a good job.

14 MR. SMITH: I think Cody was the  
15 first one that came up to speak.

16 MR. PITTMAN: And they're always  
17 impressive.

18 MR. RUMLEY: You don't really realize  
19 how you use this until you get later in life. I'm  
20 telling you. As you get older and you go to college  
21 and all that, I mean, it's -- it's -- you know,  
22 it's --

23 MR. BRADFORD: I give him a hard time  
24 about his hair. But I'm related to him so I kind of  
25 pick on him.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Oh, are you?

2 MR. PITTMAN: Katie, how do y'all  
3 select who's going to come up and speak?

4 MS. HAMMOND: Sometimes they  
5 volunteer, like Woody's always been good about it,  
6 and Cody. And then if they can't come a specific  
7 month, then we ask around to see who's interested.

8 MR. PITTMAN: They're all doing good.

9 MS. HAMMOND: They are doing good.  
10 So I wish I had done that when I was growing up.  
11 Maybe it would help me with my public speaking.

12 MR. PITTMAN: They really don't  
13 realize that they're very impressive when they get  
14 up here and talk like that.

15 MS. HAMMOND: They are.

16 MR. RUMLEY: That's really good.

17 We'll move on down. Let's see. I don't  
18 know if we've got anybody from the Chamber here  
19 tonight, do we? Zach, come on up. Good to have you  
20 here, son.

21 MR. STONE: I know. Always, right?  
22 So I've got to start with giving Don some of these  
23 because he specifically --

24 MR. TOWNSEND: I fussed.

25 MR. STONE: I know. He made a fuss

1 about it.

2 MR. TOWNSEND: It's for the record.

3 MR. STONE: He said it's for the  
4 record, but, you know.

5 MR. RUMLEY: She looks like she's  
6 about due.

7 MR. STONE: I know right. We asked  
8 her what picture should we use for Dade Days and  
9 she --

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: -- anything --

11 MR. STONE: No. We asked her which  
12 picture and she -- she said that one.

13 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: No. No.

14 MR. STONE: Okay. I don't know. All  
15 right. So we'll start out -- we had Dade Days, you  
16 know, this month, this past weekend. Started out  
17 with our movie night. And several of you made it  
18 out. And that was the first year we've done that.  
19 It was pretty successful. Very happy about that.  
20 Dade Days, of course, I think almost of you came out  
21 for that. And it was pretty nice weather. You  
22 know, we had a really good turnout that morning.  
23 And then great entertainment that evening. So  
24 really, really enjoyed. Of course, Robert -- or --  
25 wait. Yes. Robert got in our dunk tank. That's

1 right. So Don was supposed to show up, but, of  
2 course, he didn't. That's what I expected, though.

3 I guess this past month just some of the  
4 things that we had going on was our luncheon with  
5 the Department of Labor commissioner, Mark Butler.  
6 Most of you were here for that. So he was -- he was  
7 actually really, really -- you know, really great  
8 speaker. I know that Ted talked with him for quite  
9 a while.

10 MR. RUMLEY: He was good.

11 MR. STONE: The -- let's see. Coming  
12 up. I actually had the -- went to the GACC retreat  
13 that we had the scholarship from the Georgia Chamber  
14 for. That was actually awesome, and not just  
15 because it was on Jekyll Island. But it was great  
16 for us in general. We broke into smaller groups by  
17 chamber sizes. So everything more or less 250 under  
18 was our group. And we are in a great place compared  
19 to a lot of these other chambers as far as what we  
20 are doing and the situations that they're facing,  
21 whether it's, you know, within the county or even  
22 their boards. We're just not -- we're just in a  
23 really good place. I was really happy to see where  
24 we were with that. And the other thing, too, I  
25 mean, we -- they were impressed that we were doing

1 as much with our budget, as well. So that was the  
2 other thing that I was actually really proud of. We  
3 are doing a lot right now with what we have, so...

4 We've got the world's longest yard sale  
5 that's coming up this next weekend. We've fielded  
6 all kinds of calls.

7 MR. RUMLEY: It's going on right now.

8 MR. STONE: Well, yes. Yeah. Yeah.  
9 This morning there were like probably thirty people  
10 that stopped in.

11 We got our RBC hours, which is the  
12 regional business centers. We have two hours that's  
13 going with that this week or this upcoming week for  
14 Ringgold, Georgia welcome centers. So we have to  
15 get so many hours a year. And we're going to have  
16 one hour left for the rest of the year. So we're  
17 really far ahead of schedule on that.

18 We had some ribbon cuttings this past  
19 month with Randy's. Got an upcoming one with  
20 Allstate. And I'll go ahead and plug her. There's  
21 going to be another Yeti cooler that I'm going to be  
22 winning at --

23 MR. RUMLEY: I wouldn't doubt it.

24 MR. STONE: Yeah. At the Allstate  
25 date. So that's going to be, not this Saturday, but

1 the next Saturday. Let's see.

2 We had a lot of new members, then a lot of  
3 renewing members as well. So that's kind of where  
4 we're at right now.

5 Any questions?

6 MR. RUMLEY: It was a good day,  
7 though, Saturday.

8 MR. STONE: Yeah, yeah. Really  
9 enjoyed it.

10 MR. RUMLEY: It seems like people  
11 kind of come, you know, just kind of a constant flow  
12 coming until about 4 o'clock, 3, 4 o'clock.

13 MR. STONE: Right. Yeah.

14 MR. BRADFORD: Well, I didn't have to  
15 go in the tank this year. Last year you told me 20  
16 minutes. It was an hour and 45 minutes.

17 MR. STONE: Right. Well, see, that  
18 didn't happen this year. Robert can tell you. It  
19 was no more than 30 minutes. And we also didn't  
20 stick you in a really nasty tank that, you know,  
21 might have required a tetanus shot after, so, yeah.

22 Okay. All right. Good deal. Thanks,  
23 guys.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Thank you. All right.

25 MR. SMITH: Another thing I don't

1 think was announced before about the Veteran  
2 Services. They're here again on the 4th Wednesday  
3 of each month. They come back to Dade County the  
4 4th Wednesday of each month. The Veteran Services.  
5 Help get the word out. I was here the day they  
6 stopped and everybody -- the office was full of  
7 people wanting to use them.

8 MR. BRADFORD: They'll be here at 9  
9 o'clock the 4th Wednesday of every month.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Move down to our  
11 monthly financial report by Brother Don Townsend.

12 MR. TOWNSEND: Just to say something  
13 about the DA. The gentleman that's coming actually  
14 lives on Sand Mountain. He is a Dade County  
15 graduate from high school. And I was his substitute  
16 teacher here. I was like, wow. That's excellent.  
17 So anyways. His name is Chuck Alsobrook. He's a  
18 nice guy. And also I just wanted to point out  
19 tonight, with the green shirt in the front over  
20 there all alone, is Mr. Davey Smith. Davey was an  
21 intern for the Commission in my office. And if you  
22 haven't gone to our website lately, I would advise  
23 you to do so. He's really done a lot of  
24 enhancements. And you know what? He was free to  
25 Dade County, which was excellent. That's the best

1 part of this whole deal. Through the Department of  
2 Labor grant that we got. So just thankful to have  
3 had Davey and he's really helped us out a lot.

4 Financial statement. As of July 31st the  
5 General Fund has a balance of \$304,294, and  
6 Certificate of Deposits, 400,000. So it's a total  
7 in General Fund balance of \$704,294. Federal Asset  
8 Fund, U.S. Treasury, \$288. Sheriff's Special Fund,  
9 \$17,303. Drug Abuse Education Fund, \$87,513.  
10 Supplemental Juvenile Services Fund, \$24,605.  
11 Victim Assistance Fund, \$896. Jail Fund, \$31,619.  
12 Federal Asset Fund, Department of Justice, \$742.  
13 Employee's Flexible Spending Account, \$57,028.  
14 Payroll Account, \$181,668.

15 Money on the old SPLOST, 2009 SPLOST Funds  
16 in the Construction Account has a balance of \$150.  
17 Projects Account has \$271,122. And Proceeds Account  
18 has \$1,199,292.

19 2015 SPLOST Funds, we capitalized interest  
20 coming up to \$26,351 General Obligation Sales Tax on  
21 Debt Services Account. And then the IDA  
22 Construction Series B has a balance of \$170,113.  
23 You see the four certificate of deposits listed at  
24 the bottom of the page.

25 As of June 30th we now have 12 months to

1 look at. And we have on the handout I gave you you  
2 see the General Fund by department level for the  
3 month of June -- let's look at that first -- was  
4 \$393,707. Revenue budgeted was \$701,810. Which was  
5 a shortage of \$308,103. And collected for the  
6 year-to-date for 12 months, \$8,631,599. Compared to  
7 a budget of \$9,044,080, which is a shortage of  
8 \$412,480. Now, let me say this about that. It's  
9 95.44 percent collected. But we are still  
10 collecting funds and will continue to do so on  
11 several things, like, for instance, TVA payments and  
12 railroad equipment tax, and things that they delay  
13 in sending those funds. So we're slowly getting  
14 things that will be put back into this year. After  
15 the full 60 days, I'll give you another update for  
16 revenues.

17 Expenses as of June 30th, we had expense  
18 for the month of June \$836,942. Budgeted was  
19 \$934,061. So we're under budget \$97,119.

20 Fiscal year-to-date, again, 12 month  
21 reporting, \$8,223,560.08. Budgeted amount,  
22 8,940,000. So we were under budget \$716,437. And  
23 we spent right at 92 percent of the budget. The  
24 budget attained at this point was a hundred percent.  
25 Revenues attained, 95.44 percent. And expenses

1 attained was 91.99.

2 We see the cash projections for the month at  
3 the bottom. That's usually the scenario we see in  
4 the summertime. Late spring and summer we see the  
5 shortage as far as what's being spent versus what's  
6 being collected. The property taxes have been  
7 already collected in Dade County.

8 The following pages you see attached is a  
9 one-through-four report. It's the same information,  
10 just in a different format for you to review. And  
11 in the report there's what's called a property  
12 variance report. Just breaks all the funds that we  
13 just discussed down by the general ledger numbers  
14 for each. It's a six-page report. Following that,  
15 we do the pledged security listings for the county.  
16 And the Bank of Dade uses Compass Bank as their  
17 corresponding bank. You can see those funds have  
18 been backed up. They have on reserve \$4,625,000 to  
19 back up the funds, total funds at the bank.

20 Next page over is the Dade County Tax  
21 Commissioner's Office report year-to-date. This is  
22 looking back at the last 12 months. July 1st, 2014,  
23 to June 30th, 2015. Collected 95.39 percent. And  
24 that was for a total revenue collected of  
25 \$4,204,609. It's short a little bit, but she will

1 continue to collect those real property taxes, real  
2 and personal property taxes, really next five to six  
3 years.

4 The next report after that is the 2009  
5 SPLOST tracking worksheet. We had one last month,  
6 but this is the -- probably nearing the final one  
7 that will be published. And you see for the year  
8 2015 the SPLOST funds spent was \$791,358 on  
9 projects, county projects for capital assets and  
10 capital improvements. Then the following three or  
11 four pages behind that is just the breakdown of that  
12 information.

13 One thing that's new in this is the  
14 following reports. The following reports in your  
15 financial statements, (inaudible) to pull that out  
16 at some point in the next week or so. But Daniel  
17 Bain was also an intern in our office. And Daniel,  
18 I gave him some information and some direction to go  
19 pull some figures. He did a great job of putting  
20 this together. It's something I'll continue to  
21 update and provide to y'all going forward, maybe  
22 quarterly, at least every six months. It's economic  
23 indicators for Dade County. And it's really good  
24 information. I put that on the website, too. In  
25 2013, '14 you'll see the first page it's got -- it's

1 got basically a snapshot of the county. If you  
2 turn over a few pages you'll see economic  
3 indicators, such as the prime rate. Of course,  
4 these are Federal numbers. 3.25 percent. Three  
5 month treasury bill is a whopping 0.02 percent. So  
6 if you have CDs, you know -- we talk about that  
7 here. Not probably making interest on those.  
8 30-year mortgage rates, 4.39 percent. And then so  
9 on. The Gross Domestic Product for Dade County was  
10 0.81 percent. We are ranked 67th in the state of  
11 Georgia out of 159 counties. That's not too bad.  
12 And then production -- these are numbers specific to  
13 Dade County. Georgia's unemployment rate is 6.1  
14 percent. Dade County's is 5.8 percent as of May  
15 2015. And then you see there's a graph there that  
16 shows information on that. Then persons below  
17 poverty level prevalent to 2009 to 2013. Georgia  
18 was 18.2 percent. Dade County was 15.9 percent.  
19 And the average hourly earnings -- this is the  
20 Georgia rate -- is \$24.95 per hour. Then the final  
21 page you see is information on the CPI and the  
22 Producer Price Index for Dade County.

23 So just information for you to consider and  
24 continue to watch. We have SPLOST loss. You heard  
25 Commissioner Goff speak about that earlier. The

1 Local Option Sales Tax for July was 146,320.83.  
2 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax was \$182,901  
3 even for July. Just a few years ago the same month,  
4 which was 2007, July, we had \$313,693 collected in  
5 one month. So 313,000 versus 182,000 is a pretty  
6 big drop.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Any questions?  
8 If not, I'll entertain a motion to approve the  
9 financial report as presented.

10 MR. GOFF: I move we approve it as  
11 read.

12 MR. BRADFORD: Second.

13 MR. RUMLEY: I have a motion and a  
14 second. Call the vote.

15 Mr. Smith?

16 MR. SMITH: Yes.

17 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

18 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

20 MR. GOFF: Yes.

21 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

22 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

23 MR. RUMLEY: Chair votes yes. Okay.

24 Robin, you got anything under the legal  
25 issues you need to talk about tonight?

1 MR. ROGERS: I do not.

2 MR. RUMLEY: The reading of the  
3 minutes of the last month's regular meeting and any  
4 special called meeting will not be required since  
5 all commissioners have been furnished copies in  
6 advance. Minutes are public record and are  
7 available here in the commission office. The  
8 minutes are included in the consent agenda.

9 Don, if you would go over the consent  
10 agenda, I will entertain a motion to approve.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: All right. All right.  
12 On the consent agenda for approval of the agenda as  
13 presented. The approval of the previous meeting  
14 minutes. Review of personnel status report.  
15 Primary Health Care Center Week, which was a  
16 proclamation declaring Primary Health Care Center  
17 Week for August 9th through 15th, 2015. We also  
18 have a proclamation for Purple Heart Day as  
19 established by Governor Nathan Deal last year.  
20 August 7th as that day, Purple Heart Day in Georgia  
21 and Dade County, thereby designating August 7th,  
22 2015, Purple Heart Day in Dade County in conjunction  
23 with the American Legion Post honoring soldiers'  
24 service and sacrifices for our nation, men and women  
25 wounded or killed while serving to protect the

1 freedoms enjoyed by all. Ordinance Number 09-03-15,  
2 an ordinance prohibiting cruelty to animals. The  
3 first reading only. And Resolution R-40-15,  
4 resolution to amend the fiscal year 2015 budget  
5 increase to expenditures to 70,000 so the total net  
6 change was 0. That is it.

7 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Any questions or  
8 corrections on the consent agenda? If not, I'll  
9 entertain a motion to approve the consent agenda.

10 MR. PITTMAN: I make a motion we  
11 approve the consent agenda as read.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Okay. Do I have a  
13 second?

14 MR. SMITH: Second.

15 MR. RUMLEY: Call the vote.

16 Mr. Smith?

17 MR. SMITH: Yes.

18 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

19 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

20 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

21 MR. GOFF: Yes.

22 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

23 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Chair votes yes. Thank  
25 you.

1           Okay. Move down to number eight. Anyone  
2 want to come up and talk to us tonight from the  
3 audience? Tom Black.

4           MR. BLACK: I've got several things I  
5 need to go over. I attended a meeting for DBXDD in  
6 Macon today. That's why I was kind of a little bit  
7 late getting here.

8           MR. RUMLEY: Tell them what that  
9 stands for.

10           MR. BLACK: It's Department of  
11 Behavioral Health Developmental Disabilities and  
12 Addicted Diseases. And that is the governing board  
13 for the state. What we're trying -- what we were  
14 meeting for today was getting a set of bylaws that  
15 it will be in effect statewide and protect local  
16 input. That has tried to be wrestled away from us.  
17 And this is what the meeting was for today. And  
18 hopefully we'll have another meeting next week in  
19 Cummings. And that will be our local -- not our  
20 local, but our region one board. And that's what  
21 we're working on there.

22           Also I'm glad to see that we're going to  
23 finally get something done to the drunk monkey  
24 intersection.

25           MR. RUMLEY: Is that what you call

1 it?

2 MR. BLACK: Well, it had to be  
3 designed by a drunk monkey. I hate to be that way.  
4 But I'm glad to see that they're thinking about  
5 talking about a roundabout because we've got  
6 experience in Dade County with a roundabouts over  
7 here at the courthouse. So we have experience.

8 MR. RUMLEY: That's one of the old  
9 ones.

10 MR. BLACK: We have experience with  
11 those roundabouts.

12 The -- from the Veterans Service Office,  
13 we raised, what, \$460?

14 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

15 MR. BLACK: The Legion Post raised  
16 \$460 to go to the families in Chattanooga. So local  
17 Post has been working on that.

18 Don, I have a question for you. You  
19 quoted the hourly wage at 24.80.

20 MR. TOWNSEND: That's for the state  
21 of Georgia.

22 MR. BLACK: Is that total? Is that  
23 county and all the federal and everything, Social  
24 Security and all that? That's just a general  
25 question I'd like to know. Because if we are, we're

1 being shortchanged in jobs in this county. But if  
2 you figure everything, that would be close to right.

3 Also, from the NRSC standpoint, which is  
4 National Soil Conservation Service, Ted, I  
5 understand we had some people that went down and  
6 qualified for green cards at --

7 MR. RUMLEY: Red cards. No, we had  
8 them. It's just recertification.

9 MR. BLACK: They recertified, so...

10 MR. RUMLEY: We had three that had  
11 expired. I maintain mine. And didn't realize that  
12 we had three, the city and we had two in the county  
13 that had expired, so...

14 MR. BLACK: So --

15 MR. RUMLEY: Have to do it every  
16 three years.

17 MR. BLACK: I'm glad that's being  
18 done. I'm also glad tonight you made the statement,  
19 we need to do it by the book. And that's something  
20 that has not been done in the past. I assume that  
21 we're going to treat landowners the same way that we  
22 treat county, right?

23 MR. RUMLEY: Always.

24 MR. BLACK: Okay. Well, as NRCS  
25 committee member, I have not seen an erosion plan

1 for the (inaudible) work. So before we start  
2 throwing rocks at guys building chicken houses, you  
3 need to make sure that our own hands --

4 MR. RUMLEY: They're going by  
5 (inaudible). They're in a 14-day-waiting period.  
6 Once the 14 days is up, they'll have authorization  
7 to start. So that's --

8 MR. BLACK: Well, they --

9 MR. RUMLEY: That must be over your  
10 head a little bit because evidently you don't review  
11 it.

12 MR. BLACK: It has to be voted on by  
13 the committee and we've not seen anything.

14 MR. RUMLEY: The state's involved and  
15 have been from day one. And the actual --

16 MR. BLACK: But if we -- well, the  
17 thing that concerns me, the oath that I took,  
18 whether you like me or not, the oath that I took was  
19 to make sure that every acre of land is used to its  
20 best ability. And that includes anything the  
21 government owns.

22 MR. RUMLEY: We're even more  
23 (inaudible).

24 MR. BLACK: But just wanted everybody  
25 treated equally. I know that a lady lost some land

1 out on the mountain because of this particular  
2 thing.

3 MR. RUMLEY: On Sand Mountain?

4 MR. BLACK: On Sand Mountain.

5 MR. RUMLEY: How did she lose it?

6 MR. BLACK: She couldn't pay all the  
7 fines.

8 MR. RUMLEY: (Inaudible). I didn't  
9 know she lost it.

10 MR. BLACK: That was before y'all got  
11 here.

12 MR. RUMLEY: No, I remember it.

13 MR. GOFF: Walker County just  
14 incurred a bunch of fines for something --

15 MR. BLACK: Yeah. And that's the  
16 thing we don't want to happen to us. And I don't --  
17 I just want to make sure that we do it --

18 MR. RUMLEY: Do you carry a red card?  
19 Have you been through all the training?

20 MR. BLACK: Yes.

21 MR. RUMLEY: You have a red card. So  
22 you have your red card?

23 MR. BLACK: Yeah. And green.

24 MR. RUMLEY: You've got a grey card?

25 MR. BLACK: And green.

1 MR. RUMLEY: Oh, you've got a green  
2 card.

3 MR. BLACK: What we're talking about  
4 is that every person, every company that does work  
5 in the county must have a certified -- or a person  
6 who is qualified to do erosion control settlement  
7 plans. Make sure they're enforced and make sure  
8 it's enforced. And it really concerned me whenever  
9 you started talking about this. The guy that  
10 started doing work --

11 MR. RUMLEY: We had no idea. They  
12 didn't have (inaudible) on the job. They didn't  
13 know what a (inaudible) was.

14 MR. BLACK: So are we starting to see  
15 maybe a little bit of land-use planning --

16 MR. RUMLEY: That's when we shut it  
17 down. No, no, no. Not more than normal. We've  
18 always been brought in. We're our local issuing  
19 authority. When you go on a job, that's the first  
20 thing you ask for. We shut it down. But we were  
21 advised that we really didn't have the right to shut  
22 that job down since they went directly into  
23 Cartersville. And I said, you know, when you're  
24 dumping mud -- that much mud in a blue line stream  
25 going into a trout stream, you've got issues.

1 MR. BLACK: Well, just listen to the  
2 thing I'm saying, you know? Am I hearing maybe the  
3 beginning stages of land-use planning?

4 MR. RUMLEY: Absolutely not. Nothing  
5 major. We'll handle it as it comes up. We're not  
6 ready for zoning in this county.

7 MR. BLACK: I didn't say zoning.

8 MR. RUMLEY: (Inaudible.)

9 MR. BLACK: I didn't say zoning.

10 MR. RUMLEY: That's your -- you know,  
11 that's your concern. And that's --

12 MR. BLACK: Well, you know, that's  
13 one of those double-edged swords.

14 MR. RUMLEY: It is.

15 MR. BLACK: It is one of those  
16 double-edged swords. And -- but, you know, if we're  
17 heading that direction, you know, I'm not saying  
18 good or bad.

19 MR. RUMLEY: And one day it will  
20 happen, you know, but right now -- you know, this is  
21 something here that, you know, we had back years ago  
22 they were wanting to build a land -- or a dump, or  
23 whatever you call it, landfill, you know. We had to  
24 go in and handle that. Lot of things there that --  
25 and this right here is something we're looking at,

1 you know, as on setbacks. You know I'm surprised.  
2 I really thought we had setbacks in place. I really  
3 did. On poultry houses. Which there's not.

4 MR. BLACK: But whenever you get  
5 setbacks in place, aren't you basically talking  
6 about land-use planning?

7 MR. RUMLEY: Well, you can look at it  
8 -- you can call it what you want, you know? We're  
9 calling it doing the right thing.

10 MR. BLACK: I know. But at some  
11 point in time we have to start managing a crisis.

12 MR. GOFF: Well, the call, Mr. Black,  
13 like I got, is people that are living there that  
14 just want it -- their question to the county  
15 government, can y'all stop this? And the answer to  
16 that is, you know as well as we do, no. As long as  
17 they go by whatever the EPD -- you can get in  
18 trouble with the EPD. They can shut you down, fine  
19 you until you get that taken care of.

20 MR. BLACK: That -- well, I know  
21 that -- I know a couple more people that's planning  
22 on building and, you know, nobody wants a chicken  
23 house next to them. I mean, let's face it, we  
24 don't. I've got some next to me, but they were  
25 there before I got there. And that's the thing that

1 we need to be looking at is being able to designate  
2 what's going to be agriculture and what's not. And  
3 I'm not here speaking for zoning. I'm just saying  
4 that there needs to be some way for us to look after  
5 people who have built a subdivision and people come  
6 in next door -- we could see a pig farm one of these  
7 days. I mean, let's face it. It might come back.  
8 But the thing about it is, if you build an  
9 agricultural area and a guy builds a chicken house  
10 next to you, you have no gripe. Or if you've  
11 already got an established subdivision, don't let a  
12 guy come and put a pig farm next to it. So, you  
13 know, it's a double-edged sword. And I think that's  
14 something we probably need to look at down the road  
15 to find out how we're going to let this county grow.  
16 And we are going to grow one of these days. Whether  
17 we like it or not we're going to grow. And if we  
18 don't make some preparations now, we're going to be  
19 behind the -- we're going to be in the same  
20 situation that Catoosa County was in when  
21 (inaudible) and started growing. And I don't  
22 want -- I don't want to see that happen here.

23 Thank you, gentlemen.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Appreciate it.

25 Okay. Anyone else got anything to say?

1 Mr. (inaudible) you got anything you want to add?

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Let me point out the  
3 answer to his question. It was an average hourly  
4 weekly earning of all employees on private, nonfarm,  
5 payroll by industry, seasonally adjusted for  
6 Georgia.

7 MR. BLACK: So I guess that means  
8 everything, right?

9 MR. TOWNSEND: Average hourly and  
10 weekly earnings of all employees on private, nonfarm  
11 payroll.

12 MR. RUMLEY: Can you say that  
13 backwards?

14 Okay.

15 MR. BRADFORD: I'd just like for  
16 David to stand up and tell us where he's going to go  
17 to school. I'm very proud of him. Because he is  
18 from Lookout Mountain. And Don didn't say very much  
19 about it, but he's done a great job since he's been  
20 here. And I know he'll be glad not to see me  
21 anymore.

22 MR. DAVEY SMITH: I'm going to  
23 Georgia Tech.

24 MR. RUMLEY: Georgia Tech.

25 MR. BLACK: Maybe I should have

1 directed my question to him.

2 MR. BRADFORD: Thank you, Davey. I  
3 appreciate what you've been doing.

4 MR. RUMLEY: All right. I'll  
5 entertain a motion to adjourn.

6 MR. PITTMAN: I make a motion.

7 MR. RUMLEY: All right. Have a  
8 second?

9 MR. GOFF: Second.

10 MR. RUMLEY: Call the vote.

11 Mr. Smith?

12 MR. SMITH: Yes.

13 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Pittman?

14 MR. PITTMAN: Yes.

15 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Goff?

16 MR. GOFF: Yes.

17 MR. RUMLEY: Mr. Bradford?

18 MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

19 MR. RUMLEY: Chair votes yes.

20 (Meeting adjourned.)

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