



## County Commission Excels in Stewarding Historic Courthouse

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TRENTON, Ga. (Sept. 9, 2025) — The Dade County Commission received encouraging financial news about the historic courthouse: operating costs like utilities are being covered by tenant rents, helping stabilize the building's finances.

Commissioner Phillip Hartline noted that after reviewing power and water bills and applying rent from tenants, the county is breaking even. Though insurance costs are still unknown, rent revenues have already offset expenses by approximately \$2,117.

Commissioner Bob Woods confirmed current rental agreements: the Industrial Development Authority pays \$250 per month, while the Alliance for Dade contributes \$833. The Historic Preservation Commission continues to occupy its space rent-free.

Ending the financial discussion on an even brighter note, Commissioner Melissa Bradford responded with a warm, lighthearted, "That's fantastic news," and the sentiment resonated across the board.

This financial snapshot reflects careful stewardship of a beloved landmark—demonstrating that operational sustainability and historic preservation truly go hand in hand.

