

AT AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY,
FLORIDA ON OCTOBER 30, 2023 AT
3:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING
PROCEEDING WAS HAD, VIZ:

Present: Kimblin NeSmith, Chair, District 3
Alonzetta Simpkins, District 2
Brenda Holt, District 4
Ronterious "Ron" Green, District 5
Edward J. Dixon, County Administrator
Clayton Knowles, County Attorney
Adriana Quijada, Deputy Clerk

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair NeSmith called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M. Commissioner Simpkins provided invocation and Chair NeSmith led into the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair NeSmith called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

COMMISSIONER GREEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND COMMISSIONER SIMPKINS MADE THE SECOND. THE BOARD VOTED 3-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE.

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD (3-Minute Limit)

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Chair NeSmith read aloud the above statement.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. **Approval To Extend Interlocal and Fire Service Agreements For 180 Days or Until Such Time as The Respective Parties Can Execute Updated Agreements in Full**

Ms. Daniels presented the above item. This item seeks Board approval of the Interlocal Fire and Rescue Service Agreements between Gadsden County, Florida and the Concord, Chattahoochee, Town of Greensboro, Greenshade-Dogtown, Gretna, Town of Havana, Midway, Mt. Pleasant, Robertsville/St. Johns, Sycamore, Wetumpka, and the Quincy Fire Departments. This agreement will be a 180-day extension of the previous executed agreement or until such time each respective party can execute updated agreements in full.

Commissioner Green asked when they can expect to have the final contract. Ms. Daniels stated as soon as they can get the contracts negotiated and everyone to agree, it will come before them. Hopefully before 180 days.

Commissioner Simpkins asked about additional workshops and Ms. Daniels stated she was not sure if there is another workshop scheduled, but they can schedule one if they would like.

Commissioner Holt appeared at 3:08 p.m.

COMMISSIONER GREEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THIS ITEM AND COMMISSIONER SIMPKINS MADE THE SECOND. THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE.

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIR NESMITH DECLARED THE EMERGENCY MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:10 P.M.

GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA

KIMBLIN NESMITH, CHAIR
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

NICHOLAS THOMAS, CLERK