

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

January 7, 2025

FINANCIAL REPORT

- **SPLOST AND LOST.** SPLOST and LOST revenue shown in the report dated November 30, 2024 reflect collections made in November and remitted to Gordon County in December. For that period, SPLOST collections were \$1,321,677.38 which is a \$24,702.86 (1.87%) decrease over the same period last year. LOST collections were \$808,429.96 which is a \$14,721.01 (1.79%) decrease over the same period last year.

SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS AND ACTIVITY

- **GEORGIA COUNTY INTERNSHIP GRANT.** Gordon County has received an award of the Summer 2025 Georgia County Internship Program Grant (GCIP). Gordon County is one of 45 recipients out of 75 applications. The Grant will reimburse Gordon County for a College or Graduate Student performing work for the County this summer. Thanks are due to Keith King for successfully applying for this grant.
- **RANGER COMMUNITY CENTER.** Gordon County personnel and the Construction Manager inspected the building and grounds in anticipation of upcoming renovations.
- **OOSTANAULA COMMUNITY CLUB.** County personnel met with club representatives regarding a request for support while the club seeks grants for renovations.
- **MAYORS MEETING.** Gordon County hosted a meeting with representatives from Calhoun, Fairmount, Plainville and Resaca where Keith King briefed the group on HB 581 procedures and its impact on local government finances. HB 581 limits homestead property value increases to the CPI or similar index rate. It also provides an opportunity for a referendum of Gordon County voters to determine whether to impose a Flexible Local Option Sales Tax of up to 1 penny to reduce property taxes in a similar fashion to LOST.
- **EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING.** Administration, County Clerk, Human Resources and Finance met for 2025 planning.

Construction Project Updates

- Salacoa Facilities
 - Construction has resumed on all bathhouses.
 - Expected to be completed before March 1, 2025
- Morgue
 - Temp Morgue is under construction
 - Reviewing quotes for a cooler
 - Beginning design phase for the new morgue
 - Visited Floyd County Morgue on December 9, 2024
- Sugar Valley Community Center & Fire Station

- Met with the Sugar Valley Community Club
- Beginning design phase
- Placed the order for Geo-Hydro and Surveying
- Received preliminary budget costs
- Ranger Community Center and Playground
 - December 4, 2024 at 2:00pm - Deadline for submission of Request for Proposals
 - December 5-12, 2024 - Committee Evaluations & Interviews as needed
 - December 13, 2024 - Committee Decision
 - December 17, 2024 - County Administrator recommends the CMAR to the Board of Commissioners for approval
 - Approving the GMP Construction Agreement on January 7, 2025
- Salem Road Bridge Project
 - The BOC has approved the Design / Supply Agreement
 - Preparing Bid Documents for installation
- Multi Purpose Ag Facility
 - Beginning Design Phase
 - Scheduling site feasibility
 - Placed the order for Geo-Hydro and Surveying
 - Meeting with Momon Construction on January 7, 2025
- Mt Olive Dam Replacement
 - Working on permitting
 - Filed for an EPD Buffer Encroachment permit
 - Trying to acquire credits for the buffer variance
 - Working on land acquisition
 - Received Appraisal and our attorneys are reaching out to the property owner's representation.

Other Projects

- Georgia County Internship Program
 - Received an ACCG Grant for an Intern to explore AI opportunities for Gordon County Government.
- Broadband
 - Beginning to wrap up
 - Planning ribbon cutting
 - Finalizing close out documents for pay-out

HB 581

- January 3, 2025 Meeting with Mayors about HB581
- January 9, 2024 Meeting with Tax Commissioner & Tax Assessor
- January 13, 2025 GAAO Workshop
- January 17-19, 2025 GC BOC Retreat
- January 24, 2025 Meeting with all taxing authorities
- February 24-25, 2025 ACCG Capital Connection
- March 1, 2025 Last Day to Opt Out of HB581

Scheduled Activity

- December 17, 2024 Public Works Luncheon
- December 18, 2024 Meeting with Momon Construction to review the Ranger Project
- December 19, 2024 Lunch Buddy at W.L. Swain Elementary
- December 20, 2024 Meeting with the DA
- December 20, 2024 Staff Luncheon
- December 20, 2024 Retirement Reception for Kathy Sheriff
- December 30, 2024 Ranger Community Center Walk Through
- December 30, 2024 Swearing In Ceremony
- December 31, 2024 Met with Ashley Bailey
- January 3, 2025 Meeting with representatives of Oostanaula Community Club
- January 3, 2025 Retirement Reception for Denise Glass
- January 3, 2025 Meeting with City/Town Representatives about HB 581
- January 6, 2025 Executive Team Meeting
- January 7, 2025 Community Task Force
- January 7, 2025 Meet with Momon Construction concerning Multi-Purpose Facility
- December 3, 2024 Meeting with Public Works
- December 3, 2024 2025 Preview Meeting