

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

October 21, 2025

FINANCIAL REPORT

- **SPLOST AND LOST.** SPLOST and LOST revenue shown in the report dated August 31, 2025 reflect collections made in August and remitted to Gordon County in September of 2025. For that period, SPLOST collections were \$1,340,935.51 which is a \$92,366.99 (7.4%) increase over the same period last year. LOST collections were \$825,060.37 which is a \$56,104.09 (7.3%) increase over the same period last year.
- **PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ON BALLOT.** Gordon County citizens have the opportunity to vote on three provisions that will provide property tax relief. First voters will decide whether they will shift a part of their local tax burden from their property to a sales tax through a Flexible Local Option Sales Tax (FLOST). The only purpose of FLOST is to lower the tax rate assessed against property. Second, the school districts seek to renew the ESPLOST for capital items such as buses, infrastructure, and technology. Without the ESPLOST, the expenditures for these capital items would be funded by the property ad valorem tax rather than a one percent sales tax. The voters of Gordon County also have the opportunity to vote to enact increased homestead exemptions after age 65 on school taxes. Early voting is underway and the Election Day is November 4.
- **CASH REPORT.** This report is in your material for review.

SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS AND ACTIVITY

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.** Gordon County continues to grow. Building inspection has issued twice as many residential permits year to date compared to last year. Interest in speculative industrial development remains high with several million square feet of warehouse space looking to locate here. This growth presents the county government with many challenges including funding services to handle the growth and land use planning.
- **MISCELLANEOUS.**
 - Crisis Communications Training
 - General Staff meeting
 - Insurance meeting to confirm \$750,000 credit and plan for next budget season

- Attended Judge's legislative dinner at the Savoy.
- Several development meetings regarding commercial and industrial development.
- Reviewed EMS NIMS plan
- Met with several development prospects at Community Development.
- Landfill reporting on Remaining Capacity and minor modification request is under review.

PROJECT REPORTS FROM KEITH KING

SPLOST Project Updates

- Ranger Community Center and Playground
 - Everything is scheduled to be finished by the end of October
 - Dedication in November
- Multi Purpose Ag Facility
 - Steel building is erected
 - Masonry starts this week
 - Arena pad is being worked on this week as well
- Mt Olive Dam Replacement
 - Upper pond has been drained
 - Road bed has been excavated down by at least 8 feet so far
 - Civil Engineer Matt Bailey has begun weekly inspections
- Belwood, Lovers Lane, Boone Ford, Dews Pond, Harmony Church
 - 2018 SPLOST - Lovers Lane & Boone Ford
 - Matt Bailey is working with us on an alternative intersection.

Public Works Projects

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- **Pocket Road**
 - Crews are actively working on the project and hope to be completed by the end of October 2025
- **Salem Road**
 - Project meeting was held on Aug 13th.
 - A redesign for the girders is needed for the 100 year flood level
 - Geo-Hydro is scheduled to have final reports within 4 weeks
 - Then final engineering will be 4-8 weeks after the final Geo-Hydro reports
 - Going out to bid / RFP is tentatively scheduled for first of December 2025
- **Roadway Ordinances**
 - Community Development and Public Works will meet to discuss ordinances to ensure properly built and engineered roadways