



MURRAY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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OFFICIAL MINUTES

Date: December 2, 2025

Location: Hearing Room of the Murray County Annex Building

Address: 121 N. 4th Ave.

City: Chatsworth State: GA Zip: 30705

Call to Order

The meeting of the Murray County Commissioner was called to order at 9:02 A.M. by Sole Commissioner Noah Bishop on December 2, 2025.

Approval of Agenda

The Commissioner announced that an additional item, designated as Item E, was added to the agenda after its distribution to the media. Commissioner Bishop approved the agenda as presented, including Item E.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bishop reviewed and approved the following meeting minutes as written:
November 4, 2025 – Murray County Commissioner's Meeting

New Business

Item A: Murray County Land Use & Planning Commission (MCLUPC) – Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bishop reviewed the actions taken by the MCLUPC at its November 18, 2025, meeting. He expressed support for the Commission's actions as being in the best interest of Murray County.

Item B: Termination of Lease – Friends of the Greenhouse, Inc.

Commissioner Bishop executed a Mutual Agreement for Termination of Lease between Murray County, Georgia, and Friends of the Greenhouse, Inc. This agreement terminates the Lease Agreement dated April 2, 2024, for the structure located at 211 West Fort Street, Chatsworth, Georgia, prior to its original expiration date. A new Lease Agreement between Murray County and Friends of the Greenhouse, Inc. for an alternative location is currently being drafted, and additional information will be provided to the public as it becomes available.

Item C: Professional Services Agreement – Schneider Geospatial, LLC.

The Agreement, replaces the existing qPublic.net agreement and provided for the addition and enhancement of various Portal Development Services as well as Portal Hosting and Maintenance Services currently being provided.



Item D: Appointment(s) – Limestone Valley Resource Conservation & Development Council

Commissioner Bishop re-appointed Brandon Gibson, and Brenda Jackson to the Limestone Valley Resource Conservation & Development Council.

Term Start: January 1, 2026

Term Expiration: December 31, 2026

Item E: Amendment – To The Code of Murray County

The Commissioner held the **2nd Reading** to Amend Appendix B **ZONING***:

Article III, Definitions, Anaerobic Digester, shall be *added* to read as follows:

An anaerobic digester is an enclosed vessel that processes organic material under anaerobic conditions to produce biogas and digestate.

Article III, Definitions, Bio Energy Processing Facility, shall be *added* to read as follows:

A Bioenergy Processing Facility converts organic waste materials like food scraps, animal manure, and agricultural waste into renewable energy, such as biogas, and nutrient-rich soil amendments. These facilities use processes like anaerobic digestion or combustion to break down organic matter, producing electricity, heat, or renewable natural gas, and byproducts like digestate.

Article III, Definitions, Biogas, shall be *added* to read as follows:

Biogas is a renewable energy source that can be used in a variety of ways, such as to fuel engines and supply homes and businesses through the natural gas pipeline.

Article III, Definitions, Digestate, shall be *added* to read as follows:

Digestate is the residual solids or liquids remaining after organic material has been processed in an anaerobic digester. Digestate is rich in nutrients and can be used as animal bedding, fertilizer, and solid amendment.

Digestate is also a foundation material for bio-based products such as bioplastics.

Article III, Definitions, Feedstock, shall be *added* to read as follows:

Feedstock is any organic material used in the production of mulch or compost or processed in an anaerobic digester.

Article VI, District Standards and Permitted Uses: Table 6.4, Sawmill, Lumber Yard, Bio Energy Processing Facility, shall be *amended* to read as follows:

Sawmill, Lumber Yard

Article VI, District Standards and Permitted Uses: Table 6.4, Bio Energy Processing Facility, shall be *added* to read as follows:

A Bio Processing Facility, which shall be Conditional Use in the Industrial zone district *only* and denoted by the letter "C."

1st Reading: November 18, 2025. **2nd Reading:** December 2, 2025. So Ordained and Effective, this second (2nd) day of December 2025.



Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Bishop adjourned the meeting at 9:16 A.M.

Announcements

Due to the high volume of community interest, the location and date of the *Bioenergy Processing Facility Public Hearing* has changed to better accommodate attendees.

The Public Hearing will be held at **6:00 PM on December 4, 2025** at **M.C. Recreation Center/Veteran's Memorial Park located at 651 Hyden Tyler Road, Chatsworth, GA 30705**.

Meeting Attendees

Murray County (M.C.)

In attendance: Noah Bishop: M.C. Sole Commissioner, Tommy Parker: M.C. County Manager, Dick Barnes: M.C. Land Use & Development Administrator, Kyle Presley with The Chatsworth Times, and Tina Davis, County Clerk.

Documents

All supporting Documents are in Minutes Book #13

Minutes Prepared By: Tina S. Davis

By: A blue ink signature of Noah Bishop.

Noah Bishop
Sole Commissioner
Murray County, Georgia

Attest: A blue ink signature of Tina S. Davis.

Tina S. Davis
County Clerk
Murray County, Georgia

Date: 01/06/2026
Date Approved