



**Charlton County Board of
Commissioners
Regular Meeting Agenda**
Commissioners Conference Room
68 Kingsland Drive, Suite B
Folkston, GA 31537
Thursday, December 18, 2025 – 6:00 PM

Call to Order

Invocation and Pledge to the Flag

Adoption of the Agenda

Adoption of Minutes

1. Motion to adopt the December 4th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

Presentations

2. Presentation from Attorney Anna Ensley
3. Presentation from Attorney Remington East

Public Hearings

Petitions

4. Consider Variance Request from Dream 12 Properties.
5. Petition for Alleyway Abandonment from Orival Thompson Jr.
6. Petition for Alleyway Abandonment from Rocky Harrington III

Purchasing Items

Grants and SPLOST Project

7. Motion to Execute the 2026 LMIG Project list and application

Agreements

8. Motion to Execute the Annual Agreement with Ground-Water Services, Inc. for Annual Methane and Surface Water Monitoring
9. Motion to Execute an Agreement with Deborah "Sami" Luffman for EMT and Paramedic Training Services
10. Motion to Execute a Mutual Aid Agreement with the U.S. Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service
11. Motion to Excute an Agreement with IWorq Services for Permit and Code Enforcement

Ordinances

Resolutions

Miscellaneous

12. Motion to Approve the November 2025 Financial Report

13. Motion to Approve FY25 Budget Amendment #1
14. Motion to Adopt the 2026 County Holiday Calendar
15. Motion to Appoint Jesse Crews to the Fire Board
16. Motion to Appoint Mike Harris to the Fire Board
17. Motion to Appoint Orival Thompson, Jr. to the Fire Board
18. Motion to Appoint Chip Campbell to the St. Mary's River Management Committee
19. Motion to Appoint Russell Barber to the St. Mary's River Management Committee
20. Motion to Appoint Carla Rodeffer to the Department of Family and Children (DFCS) Board
21. Motion to Adopt the 2026 Financial Year Budget

County Attorney's Action Items

22. Motion to Enter Executive Session to Discuss Personnel

Public Comments

Public Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

County Administrator Comments

Commissioners' Comments

Next Meeting

Adjourn

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Regular Meeting Minutes
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68 Kingsland Drive, Suite B
Folkston, GA 31537
Thursday, December 4, 2025
6:00 PM**

12/4/2025 - Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Present was Commissioner Jesse Crews, Chairwoman Alpha Benefield, Commissioner Drew Jones, Commissioner James Everett, County Attorney John Adams, Director of Administrative Services Rebecca Harden, and County Clerk Madeline Nettles.

Absent was Vice Chairman Luke Gowen.

All guests are recorded hereafter.

Invocation and Pledge to the Flag

The invocation was led by Chairwoman Benefield.

Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Crews made a motion to Adopt the Agenda as Presented. Commissioner Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of Minutes

1. Motion to adopt the November 20th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Crews made a motion to Adopt the Minutes as Presented. Commissioner Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentations

2. Presentation of Proclamation Recognizing John Atwater for His Contributions to Charlton County
Chairwoman Benefield introduced the resolution. County Clerk Nettles read the resolution.

Members of Mr. Atwater's family accepted the resignation on his behalf.

3. Presentation from Doug Davis, with The Farm at Okefenokee, on Phase III
Doug Davis, of Folkston, Georgia, was present.

Mr. Davis provided a brief overview of the project, known as The Farm at Okefenokee. Three years ago, Mr. Davis presented the preliminary plat. Over last three years, The Farm has completed Phase 1 and is nearing completion of Phase 2. Mr. Davis is hoping to have Phase 3 up and running in 2026, so they can begin sales and construction on the cabins.

Mr. Davis is asking for approval on Phase 3, with the existing Plat, with The Farm committing that the recommended 100ft set back will be met on future phases, beginning in Phase 4.

Commissioner Everett asked about the water and sewage. The Farm has its own water system that is permitted and tested frequently. The water system feeds all lots and amenities, including Phase 3. The Farm also uses a septic system that is different than a septic tank and drain field, and therefore does not have the same space requirements.

Commissioner Crews asked Joanna Powell, Director of Community Development, for her knowledge on the situation. Both the Permit Department and the Health Department would be fine if the board approved Phase 3 as presented. The board had previously approved 85 ft on the other 2 phases.

Commissioner Crews made a motion to Approve the resolution. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Presentation from Tiffany Yearwood, Charlton County EMA Director, on the Memorandum of Understanding with The GEO Group

Tiffany Yearwood, EMA Director, was present.

Chairwoman Benefield formally introduced all members of the board to Director Yearwood before allowing the presentation.

The GEO Group asked for signature lines to be updated on the Memorandum of Understanding, due to changes in leadership. Director Yearwood highlighted areas that she felt the Memorandum needed further clarification, updates, or expansion.

Director Yearwood has asked for additional information from The GEO Group, and is currently waiting to receive it. Director Yearwood plans to take the additional information provided and begin updating the Memorandum with stakeholders present.

Public Hearings

5. Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Public Hearing

The public hearing opened at 6:25 PM. Chairwoman Benefield provided the rules of decorum, which included a 3 minute time limit per person.

Mr. Ron Williams stepped up to the podium to speak, but upon realizing that the comment section was strictly for the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, Mr. Williams declined to comment.

No comments were made.

The public hearing closed at 6:27 PM

Petitions

Purchasing Items

Grants and SPLOST Project

6. Accept KABOOM! Grant Award

Joel Shivar, Director of Parks and Recreation presented the Grant Award.

KABOOM! has partnered with the Atlanta Falcons for a community-based grant. Director Shivar applied for the grant earlier this year to assist the county with the financial costs associated with

putting in the pickleball courts at Deuce Lloyd. The county was awarded the grant and has received the funds at this time.

Agreements

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Miscellaneous

7. Motion to Reschedule the January 1st, 2026 Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

County Clerk Nettles presented to options for rescheduling the January 1st, 2026, Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to Approve Option 1, which is to postpone the first meeting to January 8th and the second meeting to January 22nd. Commissioner Crews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Discuss and Consider the Appointment of an Interim County Administrator

Chairwoman Benefield stated that the board's consensus has been to seek an internal candidate for the position first. The board has consulted with ACCG and the County Attorney on the legal process of hiring an internal candidate.

The board has spoken with candidate, Becky Harden, on an individual basis and confirmed her interest in the position.

Commissioner Jones asked County Attorney Adams to confirm that they are in order procedurally. County Attorney Adams confirmed.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to Appoint Becky Harden as Interim County Administrator. Commissioner Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Public Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

Ron Williams came to provide an example of the situation they are dealing with in their residential neighborhood. Miranda Williams played a video demonstrating the dogs in question barking consistently throughout the video. Mr. Williams expressed his dissatisfaction with the noise, the smell, and the waste. Mr. Williams is asking the Board to assist them with getting their "way of life" back. Mr. Williams is asking that the board put a limit on how many animals can be on one piece of property, not including hunting dogs.

Doug Gowen, on behalf of the GEO Group, was present to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding. The GEO Group stated that currently there is not a Memorandum, as it has expired. The board is going to move forward with signing with the current draft of the Memorandum, and then Director Yearwood can begin the process of updating the Memorandum. Director Yearwood stated that the Memorandum was signed in April 2025 and should still be active. Commissioner Jones asked Director Yearwood a timeline for modifications. Director Yearwood stated that she expects it to be completed in the first quarter, but is dependent on getting all stakeholders at the table at the same time.

Gary Tippins provided an update on the new fire station. The septic tank in. A firewall inspection is planned for Monday. On behalf of the Board of Assessors, Mr. Tippins believes they have straightened

out the contract signature issues with GMASS, but they are working on meeting together to discuss further. Commissioner Jones asked about the covenant page and whether the county could be sued over it. Mr. Tippins has straightened up the issue and signed the last of the covenants today. The issue was in a lack of communication between the software used in the Tax Assessor's office and the software used in the Tax Commissioner's office, leading to the required signature and page to be missed. Tax bills will be sent out by the end of the year. Director Harden stated that they are hoping to send them out by December 20th, even with the issues with the covenants.

County Administrator Comments

Commissioners' Comments

DJ talked about how dry it is and recommended not burning yard piles at this time.

County Attorney's Action Items

County Attorney Adams recommended an executive session to discuss litigation.

Commissioner Crews made a motion to Enter Executive Session. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairwoman Alpha Benefield, Commissioner Jesse Crews, Commissioner Drew Jones, Commissioner James Everett, County Attorney John Adams, Director of Administrative Services Rebecca Harden, and County Clerk Madeline Nettles entered executive session at 6:56 PM

The board and staff exited at 7:11 PM. No action was taken.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on December 18th, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Board of Commissioners meeting room.

Adjourn

Commissioner Everett made a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Crews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Alpha Benefield, Chairman

Madeline Nettles, County Clerk



Dimensional Variance Request

Permitting Office:
68 Kingsland Dr., Suite C.
Folkston, GA 31537-8969
P: 912-496-3826

APPLICANT

Dream 12 Properties
Applicant Name

9600 Two Notch Rd Ste 5-135 Columbia, SC 29223
Mailing Address

803-769-3669 City State Zip

803-722-3970
Home Cell

Is the applicant the property owner? Yes No

If no, then attach the Property Owner's Land Use Authorization Form

PROPERTY

35 Sixth Street Location

F023049001 Property Tax Parcel ID Number

0.30 Total Acreage

Is the parcel in a flood zone? Yes No If yes, then provide a Floodplain Development Permit Application.

Will the disturbance be more than 1 acre? Yes No If yes, then provide a Land Disturbance Permit Application.

REQUEST

Describe why you are requesting a variance:
The purpose of the variance is to satisfy 1.42 feet boundary line requirement from the back of the property near parcel F023046

I hereby certify that all information provided herein is true and correct.

Shondy Manrice Applicant's Signature Date: 12 / 2 / 2025

ATTACHMENTS

Site Plan, Maps, or Drawings Illustrating the Variance Request (REQUIRED)

Property Owners Land Use Authorization Form

Other (Describe) _____

Floodplain Development Permit Application

Land Disturbance Permit Application

OFFICE USE ONLY

Health Inspector:
Can the setbacks for a septic system be met? Yes No
Comments: NIA City water + sewer

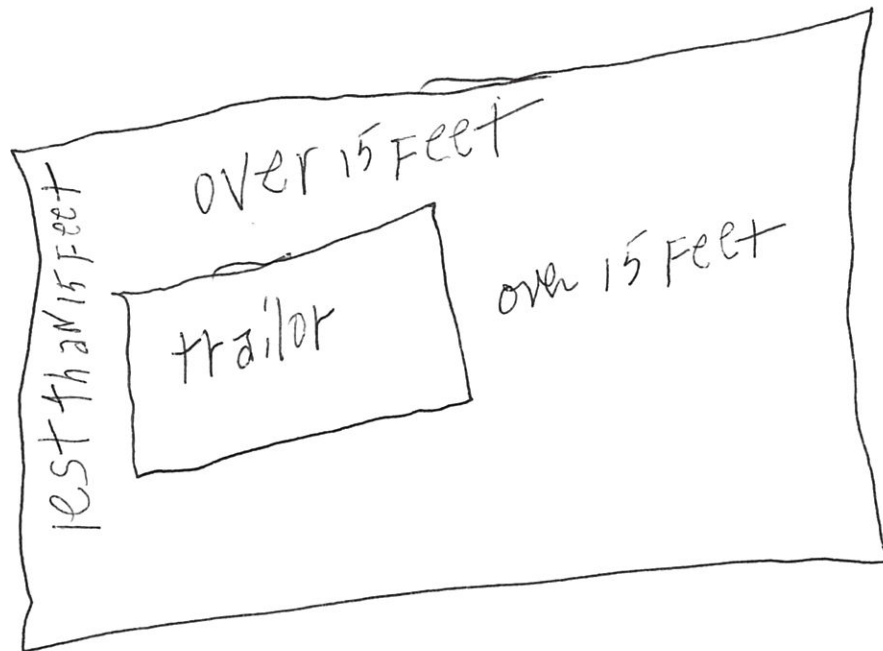
Building Inspector:
Is there enough space for a structure on this parcel? Yes No
Comments: BUT IT DON'T MEET SET BACK

Board of Commissioners: Approved Denied

With Conditions _____

Date: 12-4-25 Health Inspector: Donald E. Glover Jr
Date: _____ Building Inspector: _____
Date: _____ Chairperson: _____

Donald Glover
12-4-25



RESERVED FOR THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

FLOOD NOTE:
THIS PROPERTY IS SHOWN TO LIE IN FLOOD HAZARD ZONE "X" (UNSHADED) ON FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP No. 13049C0395D, DATED JULY 7, 2014.

REFERENCES:
1. PLAT BOOK "A", PAGE 12, CHARLTON COUNTY RECORDS

- GENERAL NOTES:**
- UNOBSERVED PORTIONS OF THE SITE WERE SURVEYED USING DUAL FREQUENCY, REAL TIME KINEMATIC GPS METHODS WITH A RELATIVE POSITIONAL ACCURACY $\pm 0.07+50\text{ PPM}$.
 - THIS MAP OR PLAT HAS BEEN CALCULATED FOR FOOT IN 354.693 FEET.
 - THIS SURVEY WAS PERFORMED USING A SOKKIA ROBOTIC TOTAL STATION AND CARLSON BRX7 GPS BASE AND ROVER.
 - THIS SURVEY WAS PERFORMED WITHOUT BENEFIT OF A TITLE ABSTRACT.
 - NO ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO DETERMINE WETLANDS OR OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, IF ANY, THAT MAY AFFECT THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.
 - THERE MAY EXIST ADDITIONAL EASEMENTS NOT SHOWN HEREON.
 - ALL IMPROVEMENTS NOT SHOWN.

CERTIFICATION:
THIS PLAT IS A RETRACEMENT OF AN EXISTING PARCEL OR PARCELS OF LAND AND DOES NOT SUBDUDE OR CREATE A NEW PARCEL OR MAKE ANY CHANGES TO ANY REAL PROPERTY BOUNDARIES. THE RECORDING INFORMATION OF THE DOCUMENTS, MAPS, PLATS, OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS WHICH CREATED THE PARCEL OR PARCELS ARE STATED HEREON. ANY RECORDED INSTRUMENTS WHICH DO NOT IMPLY APPROVAL OF ANY LOCAL JURISDICTION, AVAILABILITY OF PERMITS, OR SUITABILITY FOR ANY USE OR PURPOSE OF THE LAND, FURTHERMORE, THE UNDERSIGNED LAND SURVEYOR CERTIFIES THAT THIS PLAT COMPLIES WITH THE MINIMUM TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY SURVEYS IN GEORGIA AS SET FORTH IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE GEORGIA BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS AND AS SET FORTH IN O.C.G.A. SECTION 15-6-67.

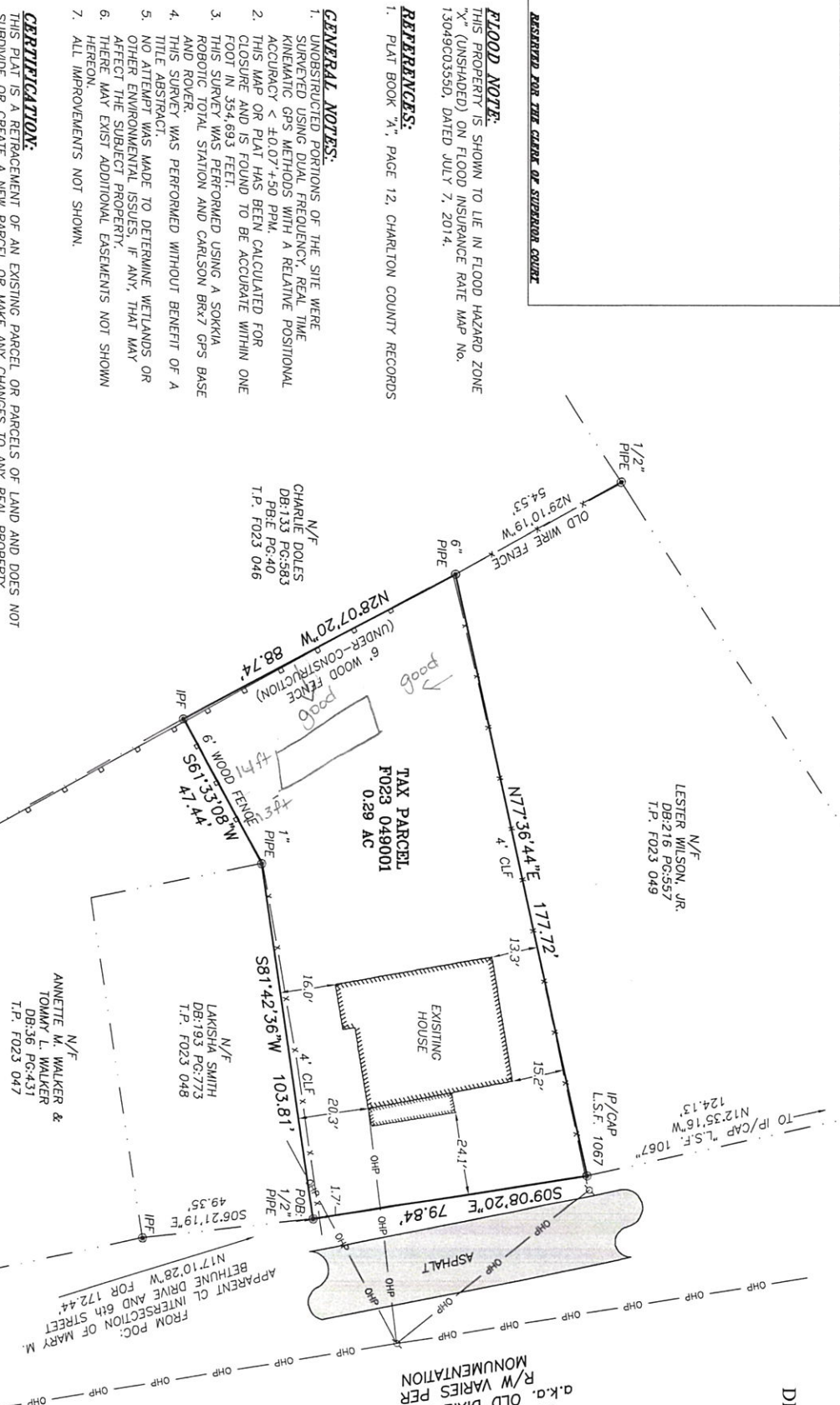
DANIEL ERIC TAYLOR R.L.S. 3251

09/13/2025
DATE



(IN FEET)
1 inch = 30' ft.

300 CAMDEN AVENUE
WOODBRINE, GA 31569
(912) 576-8854 L.S.F. 882
DWG. BY: ET PM: ET
DWG. 09/13/2025 SURVEYED 09/13/2025
JOB: 25175 1" = 30'



- LEGEND:**
- IRON PIN FOUND
 - 1/2" (1/2" NON PIN SET)
 - R/W (1/2" REBAR)
 - CLF CHAIN LINK FENCE
 - CONC. CONCRETE
 - POB POINT OF BEGINNING
 - ROW ROW OR FOREMANT
 - N/F N/A
 - BLD BLD
 - PG PAGE
 - BL BACK
 - SETBACK LINE
 - AC ACRE
 - T.P. TAX PARCEL



BOUNDARY SURVEY FOR:
DREAM 12 PROPERTIES, LLC
35 SIXTH STREET,
TAX PARCEL F023 049001,
CITY OF FOLKSTON,
32nd G.M.D.,
CHARLTON COUNTY, GEORGIA



Permit Payment Receipt
Charlton County, GA
 68 Kingsland Drive
 Folkston, Georgia 31537
 Office: 912-496-3826

Category: Residential

Receipt Note: Shondy Monroe (Variance Fee)

Payment Type/Last 4 of CC: Visa-8038

Payment Method: POS

Customer Name:	
Payor Name:	Yuoshondy Monroe
Billing Address:	
City/State/Zip:	29223
Phone #:	803-769-3669
Email:	info@dream12properties.com
Payment Date:	12/02/2025 1:14:31 PM
Payment Clerk:	Amanda Leugers
Confirmation #:	41417894

Thank you for your payment. You will see two transactions on your card related to your payment:

- 1) Permit billed by Charlton County, GA
- 2) Service Fee billed by GovernmentWindow

Permit #:	191395
Permit Amount:	\$100.00
Service Fee Amount:	\$5.00
Total Paid:	\$105.00

-- CUSTOMER COPY --



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Signature: _____

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PETITION

ABANDONMENT OF Ally Way

TO: CHARLTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
68 KINGSLAND DRIVE, SUITE B
FOLKSTON, GEORGIA 31537

Orival Thompson, Jr. is the owner of land identified by map and
parcel number SG07024, whereas there exists a public _____

Ally Way (road, alleyway, right of way, etc.), on map and
parcel number SG07026.

The property owner hereby petitions the Board of Commissioners of Charlton County,
Georgia, to abandon for public purposes all and any rights and interest in accordance
with the laws of the State of Georgia relating to such matters.

Respectfully submitted, this the 3 day of December, 2025

Name Orival Thompson

Address [REDACTED]

Phone # [REDACTED]



Parcel ID SG07 026
 Class Code Residential
 Taxing District County
 Acres 0.96

Owner ORVAL JR & THOMPSON
 DIANE H
 [REDACTED]
 Physical Address n/a
 Assessed Value Value \$11800

Last 2 Sales
 Date Price Reason Qual
 5/12/2004 \$11000 n/a U
 8/17/1976 0 NM U

(Note: Not to be used on legal documents)

PETITION

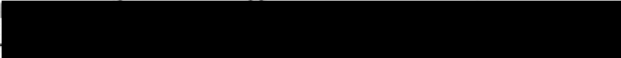
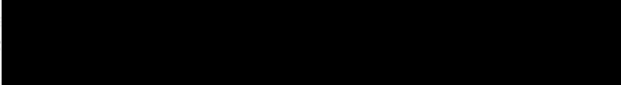
ABANDONMENT OF Alleyway

TO: CHARLTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
68 KINGSLAND DRIVE, SUITE B
FOLKSTON, GEORGIA 31537

Rocky Harrington III is the owner of land identified by map and
parcel number SG03 094, whereas there exists a public _____
alleyway (road, alleyway, right of way, etc.), on map and
parcel number SG03 093.

The property owner hereby petitions the Board of Commissioners of Charlton County,
Georgia, to abandon for public purposes all and any rights and interest in accordance
with the laws of the State of Georgia relating to such matters.

Respectfully submitted, this the 4th day of December, 2025.

Name Rocky Harrington III
Address 
Phone # 



Results:
 SG03 077
 Parcel ID - SG03 094
 Alt Id - 1961
 Owner - ROCKY D HARRINGTON III
 Acres - 0.96
 View: Report | Property Tax Dollars | Field Definitions | Google Maps

Parcel ID SG03 094
 Class Code Residential
 Taxing District County
 Acres 0.96

Owner ROCKY D HARRINGTON III
 827 PAULINE BELL LANE
 ST GEORGE, GA 31562
 Physical Address n/a
 Assessed Value Value \$6800

Last 2 Sales			
Date	Price	Reason	Qual
7/14/2023	0	GD	U
4/13/2011	0	GD	U



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6/27/2024 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were Chairman Jesse Crews, along with Commissioners Alphya Benefield and James Everett, County Administrator Hampton Raulerson, Deputy Clerk Madeline Nettles, Finance/HR Coordinator Rebecca Harden, and visitors as recorded hereafter. Commissioners Drew Jones, Luke Gowen, and County Attorney John Adams were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Benefield led the Invocation and Chairman Crews led the Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Everett made a motion to add the amended item under item 15 of the agenda. Commissioner Benefield seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Everett made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Benefield seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Everett made a motion to adopt the minutes. Commissioner Benefield seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT (SECOND MEETING)

Finance/HR Coordinator Harden reported that all is in order regarding the financial report.

Commissioner Benefield made a motion to approve the financial report. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETES

Joel Shivar, Recreation Director, presented to the commissioners the track and field athletes to be recognized. Mason Crews, one of the athletes, was in attendance of the meeting and was recognized by the board. Shivar reported that this was the first year the recreational department had offered track and field, with 38 children signing up. After the end of the season, Shivar received letters in the mail from Representative Buddy Carter, recognizing 7 of the athletes that had participated and placed in state. Mr. Shivar presented Mason Crews with the sealed letter addressed to him from Representative Carter. The Board acknowledged the athletes' accomplishments.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEES

County Administrator Raulerson presented the proposed change in permit fees to the board, reporting that no changes had been made to the proposal since it was presented at the last meeting. Raulerson reminded the board that changes, per the State, must be made by July 1.

Commissioner Benefield moved to approve the proposed permit fee changes. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF DUMP TRUCK REPAIR

County Administrator Raulerson reported to the board that the county had received two quotes for the

repair, with CarQuest submitting the lowest quote.

CarQuest- \$6,245.70

O'Reilly Auto Parts- \$7,710.43

Commissioner Benefield made a motion to ratify the repair. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF HOSE AND LADDER TESTING FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

County Administrator Raulerson presented the board with a proposal to accept the estimated cost of hose and ladder testing from Southeast Management Services LLC at \$5,585.00. Raulerson stated that they are required to test both every so often.

Commissioner Everett made a motion to approve paying for the testing at the estimated cost.

Commissioner Benefield seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF FIRE TRUCK

County Administrator Raulerson presented a proposal to purchase a fire truck due to on-going issues with two of the current trucks. Chief CL Lewis was present to answer questions.

Chief Lewis has three trucks that he has found through research as potential replacements. County Administrator Raulerson asked the board to authorize Chief Lewis and Mr. Chuck Edwards to travel to view the potential replacement trucks in person and put in an offer on whichever of the three is considered most suitable for the county's needs.

Commissioner Benefield made a motion to approve for Chief Lewis and Mr. Edwards to travel and authorize them to make an offer on the most suitable truck. Commissioner Everett seconded the motion.

Commissioner Everett asked why a grant that the county previously was seeking out was not approved.

County Administrator Raulerson stated that they were not awarded the grant, with very little explanation as to why. Chief Lewis stated that the grant they had applied for was a nationwide grant, which increased the competition for it.

The board voted; motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY PARTICIPATION CONTRACT WITH UNISON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

County Administrator Raulerson explained that this was the annual agreement of support with Unison, with no changes to the annual support amount.

Commissioner Everett made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Benefield seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR. ST. MARY'S RIVERKEEPER GRANT APPLICATION

County Administrator Raulerson presented a draft of a support letter for the St. Mary's RiverKeeper in their grant pursuit. County Administrator Raulerson explained the grant and explained that the support letter would include 30 hours of dedicated time, which Mr. Raulerson would provide himself.

Chip Campbell, with the St. Mary's Riverkeepers, was present to answer questions. Mr. Campbell stated that it has real potential for emergency management. County Administrator Raulerson stated that this would allow localities to use the plan to seek funding as needed.

Commissioner Benefield motioned to approve the letter of support. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried.

13. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR JOHN AND SUSIE ATWATER

Commissioner Everett made a motion to approve the ratification of the certificate of recognition.

Commissioner Benefield seconded it.

The Certificate of Recognition was presented this past Saturday, June 22nd, to the Atwater family. Ms. Elaine Bailey was present and shared her appreciation of the commissioners' participation. She also thanked them on behalf of the Chatman family.

The board voted; motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR SALLIE LOCKSON CHATMAN

Commissioner Everett made a motion to approve the ratification of the certificate of recognition.

Commissioner Benefield seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDER ROCKY HARRINGTON III ABANDONMENT OF ALLEYWAY PROPOSAL

County Administrator Raulerson stated that the proposal had been sent to the attorney. At this time, there were no issues with moving forward. The proposal still needs to be advertised at this time.

Commissioner Benefield made a motion to approve the proposal. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA: CONSIDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO ELECTIONS SUPERVISOR CLASSIFICATION FROM EXEMPT TO NON-EXEMPT EMPLOYEE.

County Administrator Raulerson explained that the Department of Labor is changing the salary requirements for exempt employees. County Administrator Raulerson also explained that they would have to come before the board by January for other changes that would be upcoming.

Commissioner Benefield moved to adopt the changes. Commissioner Everett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

16. ACKNOWLEDGE WELLNESS REPORT

Finance/HR Coordinator informed the board that Ms. Pam has decided to stay on with the county to continue meeting the employees and remain as the coach. Program Manager, Kristen Bowen, will be working on the administrative side to alleviate duties on Ms. Pam.

The board took no action at this time.

17. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

Andrew Delmonte, from District 5, addressed the board. Mr. Delmonte expressed surprise as other residents are in violation as well. Mr. Delmonte stated that he is working to bring his property into compliance, but is concerned about "Backyard Mechanics," individuals doing work themselves, or people who have lost a loved one recently. Mr. Delmonte asked why it is required to carry insurance and registration if it is not being driven on public right-of-way. He asked that the board consider abolishing the code.

Chairman Crews stated that they will check into it and address the issue at a later time. He thanked Mr. Delmonte for bringing the issue to the commissioners' attention.

18. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Benefield thanked everyone for being present.

Commissioner Benefield thanked the Atwater and Chatman families for making them aware of the celebration and inviting them to participate.

Commissioner Benefield stated that there is no intent for the commissioners to be prejudiced against anyone and stated that they want to recognize their community, which is why it is important that the commissioners be informed about the community.

Commissioner Benefield thanked the Chairman, County Administrator, staff, as well as the community, for their support of the honorable recognitions of each of those citizens.

Commissioner Benefield asked the board to consider a request from Homeland City Councilman Delbert Shelton to use the old Unison building as a food bank. Commissioner Benefield stated that she had informed the councilman that the building was in need of repairs and is aware of consideration of the building by the county for another public use. Commissioner Benefield asked the board to consider this request and asked County Administrator Raulerson to remind her of the situation that requires repairs with the building. Chairman Crews recommended that this issue be addressed at the next meeting.

Commissioner Everett thanked the community for support during bereavement.

Chairman Crews stated that the dinner for the Atwater celebration was lovely. Chairman Crews shared a story about the Atwater and Benefield families that he was told at the celebration. Chairman Crews stated that he enjoyed getting to participate and celebrate with the community. Chairman Crews read a card addressed to the board from Roy Taylor's children regarding the bridge renaming resolution. In the card, the family shared their appreciation for the resolution. Chairman Crews thanked the board for the resolution.

Commissioner Benefield asked if County Administrator Raulerson could contact Homeland and Folkston officials to discuss putting on a Firework celebration downtown for the Fourth of July. County Administrator Raulerson stated that he will also speak with the Chamber regarding the request. Finance/HR Coordinator Harden shared that Philadelphia Free Will Baptist Church hosts a firework show on church property annually, and opened an invitation to anyone that would like to come.

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

No executive session was necessary at this meeting.

20. NEXT MEETING, THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM-6:00 PM

21. ADJOURN

Commissioner Everett motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Benefield seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

Jesse A. Crews, Chairman

Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk

Charlton County, Georgia

James E. Everett, Commissioner
Alphya Benefield, Chairwoman
Jesse Crews, Commissioner
Drew Jones, Commissioner
Luke Gowen, Vice Chairman

Board of Commissioners
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December 18, 2025

Mr. Jeremy Barwick
District 5 State Aid Coordinator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Re: 2026 LMIG Request

Dear Mr. Barwick,

The Charlton County Board of Commissioners respectfully request the use of LMIG funds for Base and Pave with Asphalt for the following road: Lakeview Dr. This distance for all projects combined is .47 miles. For more details please see the attached Project List.

As for the status of the previous LMIG funding; 2024 and 2025 LMIG is still in the beginning stage and work has yet to begin. We did have a bid on 2024 LMIG projects but the price was a little much. The commissioners and the engineer the county uses thought it would be best to try and bid 2024 and 2025 together to get a better deal. We thank you for any and all assistance you have provided for us.

Respectfully,

Alphya Benefield
Chairwoman



2026 Charlton County Rd Project List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Mileages</u>
Lakeview Dr	Base and Pave with Asphalt	\$654,331.20	0.47
Total		\$654,331.20	0.47

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LOCAL MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT
GRANT (LMIG) APPLICATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026
TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY. ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED.**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFIDAVIT AND CERTIFICATION

I, Alpha Benefield (Name), the Chairwoman (Title), on behalf of Charlton County (Local Government), who being duly sworn do swear that the information given herein is true to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. Local Government swears and certifies that it has read and understands the LMIG General Guidelines and Rules and that it has complied with and will comply with the same.

Local government further swears and certifies that it has read and understands the regulations for the Georgia Planning Act (O.C.G.A. § 45-12-200, et seq.), Service Delivery Strategy Act (O.C.G.A. § 36-70-20, et seq.), Immigration Sanctuary Policies; prohibition; penalties (O.C.G.A. § 36-80-23), and the Local Government Budgets and Audits Act (O.C.G.A. § 36-81-7 et seq.) and will comply in full with said provisions. Local government further swears and certifies that the roads or sections of roads described and shown on the local government’s Project List are dedicated public roads and are part of the Public Road System in said county/city. Local government further swears and certifies that it complied with federal and/or state environmental protection laws and at the completion of the project(s), it met the match requirements as stated in the Transportation Investment Act (TIA) (O.C.G.A. § 48-8-240).

Further, the local government shall be responsible for any claim, damage, loss or expense that is attributable to negligent acts, errors, or omissions related to the designs, drawings, specifications, work and other services furnished by or on behalf of the local government pursuant to this Application (“Loss”). To the extent provided by law, the local government further agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the DEPARTMENT and the State of Georgia from all suits or claims that may arise from said Loss.

If the local government fails to comply with these General Guidelines and Rules, or fails to comply with its Application and Certification, or fails to cooperate with the auditor(s) or fails to maintain and retain sufficient records, the DEPARTMENT may, at its discretion, prohibit the local government from participating in the LMIG program in the future and may pursue any available legal remedy to obtain reimbursement of the LMIG funds. Furthermore, if in the estimation of the DEPARTMENT, a project shows evidence of failure(s) due to poor workmanship, the use of substandard materials, or the failure to follow the required design and construction guidelines as set forth herein, the Department may pursue any available legal remedy to obtain reimbursement of the allocated LMIG funds or prohibit local government from participating in the LMIG program until such time as corrections are made to address the deficiencies or reimbursement is made. All projects identified on the Project list shall be constructed in accordance with the Department’s Standard Specifications of Transportation Systems (Current Edition), Supplemental Specifications (Current Edition), and Special Provisions.

Local Government: _____

(Signature)

Chairwoman (Print)
Mayor / Commission Chairperson

(Date)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEAL (required):

225736
E-Verify Number

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
This ____ day of _____, 20____.
In the presence of:

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

NOTARY PUBLIC SEAL (required):

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH
ANNUAL IMMIGRATION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS/
NO SANCTUARY POLICY/FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION**

By executing this document, the undersigned duly authorized representative of the Local Governing Body, certifies that the Local Governing Authority:

- 1) has filed a compliant Annual Immigration Compliance Report with the Georgia Department of Audits & Accounts (“GDA&A”) for the preceding calendar year required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-4(b), or has been issued a written exemption from GDA&A from doing so;
- 2) has not enacted a “Sanctuary Policy” in violation of O.C.G.A. § 36-80-23(b); and,
- 3) is in compliance with O.C.G.A. §§ 35-1-17 et seq. regarding its obligation to cooperate with federal immigration enforcement authorities to deter the presence of criminal illegal aliens.

As an ongoing condition to receiving funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation, the Local Governing Body shall continue to remain fully compliant with O.C.G.A. §§ 50-36-4, 36-80-23 and 35-1-17 et seq. for the duration of time the subject agreement is in effect.

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Date

Form Date - May 10, 2024

Jan 2024



Charlton Co 2026 LMIG
Cost Estimate



Item No	Qty.	Unit	GDOT	Description	Unit Price	Total Price
1005	1	LS	150-1000	Traffic Control	\$ 13,770.00	\$ 13,770.00
1010	1	EA	163-0300	Construction Exit	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
1015	2,138	LF	163-0528	Temporary Silt Fence	\$ 4.00	\$ 8,552.00
1020	1	LS	210-0200	Grading Complete	\$ 186,300.00	\$ 186,300.00
1025	314	TNS	301-5000	Portland Cement	\$ 265.00	\$ 83,210.00
1030	9,970	SY	315-0000	GDOT Section 315- Cement Stabilized Reclaimed Base Construction CSRB, 8" Incl Matl and Haul 8" (FDR)	\$ 9.00	\$ 89,730.00
1035	0	TNS	402-3130	Recycled Asphalt Concrete 12.5 mm Superpave, GP1 or 2, Incl Bitum Matl & H Lime	\$ 150.00	\$ -
1040	9,970	SY	424-6196	Triple Surface Treatment, Stn Size 6, 7 & 89, GP 2 Only, Incl Seal Sand W 10 and Latex Modified Emulsion	\$ 8.00	\$ 79,760.00
1045	0.00	CY	500-3800	Class A Concrete, Incl Rein Steel for 1125 Headwall	\$ 2,250.00	\$ -
1050	504	LF	550-1180	RCP Storm Drain Pipe 18"	\$ 100.00	\$ 50,400.00
1055	72	LF	550-1240	RCP Storm Drain Pipe 24"	\$ 120.00	\$ 8,640.00
1060	0	LF	550-1360	RCP Storm Drain Pipe 36"	\$ 110.00	\$ -
1065	6	EA	550-4224	Flared End Section, 24 IN, Storm Drain	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 10,500.00
1070	80	SY	603-2018	STN Dumped Rip Rap, TP 1, 18 IN	\$ 100.00	\$ 8,000.00
1075	1.62	LM	652-2501	Solid Traffic Stripe, 5" White	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,944.00
1080	1.62	LM	652-2502	Solid Traffic Stripe, 5" Yellow	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,944.00
1085	12	LF	653-1704	Thermo Solid Traffic Stripe, 24" White	\$ 16.00	\$ 192.00
1090	0.98	AC	700-6910	Perm Grassing	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,450.00
1095	1.00	LS		Culvert on Marshall Crews	\$ -	\$ -
1095	1	LS		Mobilization and Bonding	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
1100	1	LS		Engineering and Owner Approved Contingencies	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
				Total Construction Cost		\$ 589,392.00
				Engineering Fee		\$ 41,257.44
				Construction Observation Project Management Fee		\$ 17,681.76
				NPDES Stormwater Monitoring @1000 per month for 6 months		\$ 6,000.00
				Total Project Cost		\$ 654,331.20
				2025 LMIG Funds GDOT Grant		\$ 454,720.23
				County 10% Match		\$ 45,472.02
				Additional Local Funds Required		\$ 154,138.95

GROUND-WATER SERVICES, INC.

Exploration and Development
3842 Crestmore Drive NE
Kennesaw, GA 30144
770-364-8442

www.groundwaterrock.com
email:support@groundwaterrock.com

December 1, 2025

Chairwoman Benefield
Charlton County Administrator
68 Kingsland Drive, Suite B
Folkston, GA 31537

Subject: 2026 Proposal For Methane and Surface Water
Monitoring at the Folkston and St. George Landfills

Dear Chairwoman Benefield:

The monitoring and reporting will be as conducted in 2025. **2026 is the last year of the required 30-year monitoring, which began in 1996.** I propose to conduct the monitoring at the not-to-exceed costs listed below:

Methane quarterly monitoring & reporting	\$ 700.00 per quarter
Surface water semi-annual monitoring & reporting	\$3,250.00 per event
Total annual not-to-exceed amount	\$9,300.00

PAYMENTS ARE DUE UPON RECEIPT OF THE REPORTS AND INVOICES. YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS REQUIREMENT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. If you are in agreement with the above services, costs and payment terms, please sign a copy of this acceptance letter and return a copy to me. I look forward to working with the county for another year. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
GROUND-WATER SERVICES, INC.



H. Dan Harman, Jr. P. G.
Senior Hydrogeologist and President

Accepted: _____
(Authorized Signature)

Date: _____

AGREEMENT FOR EMT AND PARAMEDIC TRAINER SERVICES

This Agreement is made and entered into as of the 1st day of January 2026, by and between **Deborah "Sami" Luffman** (hereinafter referred to as "Trainer") and the **Charlton County Board of Commissioners** (hereinafter referred to as "County"). Collectively, these entities shall be referred to as the "Parties."

Recitals

WHEREAS the County desires to engage the Trainer to provide **Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training classes** and assist in **Paramedic Training** for its personnel; and

WHEREAS the Trainer possesses the skills, qualifications, certifications, and experience necessary to provide such training;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services

The Trainer agrees to provide EMT training classes and assist in Paramedic Training for personnel designated by the County.

EMT Training Services shall include:

- Classroom instruction covering EMT certification requirements.
- Practical hands-on training for EMT skills.
- Preparation and administration of exams as required by applicable certification standards.
- Submission of necessary documentation to the appropriate certification bodies.

Paramedic Training Assistance shall include:

- Assisting the principal Paramedic Trainer in providing classroom instruction and practical training.
- Supporting skill evaluations and scenario-based training for paramedic students.
- Aiding in the preparation and administration of certification exams as required by applicable standards.
- Performing additional duties as requested by the principal trainer and the County.

AGREEMENT FOR EMT AND PARAMEDIC TRAINER SERVICES

2. Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall commence on **January 1, 2026**, and shall continue until **December 31, 2026**, unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

3. Compensation

- The County shall compensate the Trainer at a rate of **\$7,000 per EMT training class** for the term of this Agreement.
- For **Paramedic Training Assistance**, the Trainer shall be compensated at a rate of **\$7,000 per class**.
- Compensation shall be paid via **two (2) lump sum payments** (1 - prior to the class beginning; 2- at the conclusion of the class) via payroll with the County deduction taxes.

4. Trainer's Responsibilities

- The Trainer shall ensure compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, including those governing EMT and Paramedic training and certification.
- The Trainer shall maintain all relevant certifications required to provide EMT and Paramedic training and provide proof of certification upon request.

5. County's Responsibilities

- The County shall provide all necessary materials, supplies, and equipment for the training classes.
- The County shall provide access to facilities suitable for training classes.
- The County shall ensure the attendance and participation of designated personnel.
- The County shall ensure that the principal trainer for Paramedic Training is available to coordinate duties with the Trainer.

6. Indemnification

- The Trainer agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees, and agents from any claims, damages, or liabilities arising out of the Trainer's performance under this Agreement.

AGREEMENT FOR EMT AND PARAMEDIC TRAINER SERVICES

7. Termination

- Either Party may terminate this Agreement with **30 days' written notice** to the other Party.
- In the event of termination, the Trainer shall be compensated for services rendered up to the termination date.

8. Entire Agreement

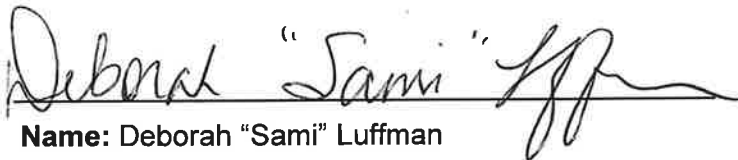
This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes all prior agreements, whether written or oral.

9. Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written below.

Name: Alphya Benefield
Title: Chairwoman, Board of Commissioners
Date: December 18th, 2025



Name: Deborah "Sami" Luffman
Title: EMS Division Chief
Date: December 18th, 2025

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT
Disaster - Civil Emergency - All Hazards Incidents

U.S. Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge

and

Charlton County, Georgia

This Mutual Aid Agreement is entered into by and between all Parties:

SECTION 1: Recitals

WHEREAS, the State and local jurisdictions have the primary responsibility for its Citizens and will coordinate first response during a natural or human-caused disaster; AND

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize natural or human-caused disasters can and do threaten the people and communities located within the Region to damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from a disaster event, and recognize that these events may present equipment and manpower requirements beyond the capacity of each individual Party; AND

WHEREAS, these natural or human-caused disasters often strike with little or no advanced warning requiring advance planning to reduce lag time in emergency response and aid in recovery operations; AND

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize that in the past, mutual aid has been provided between or among the Parties have a long history of positive cooperation in the form of personnel, supplies and equipment during disasters and/or civil emergencies and during cleanup periods; AND

WHEREAS, the governing officials of the Parties desire to secure for each Party the benefits of mutual aid and protection of life and property in the event of a disaster and/or civilemergency; AND

WHEREAS, the Service administers lands and waters located within the administrative jurisdiction of the cooperating agency; the Service has employees that are trained in water craft operations, heavy equipment operations, chain saw operation, wild-land fire control, and other specialized operations or services, AND

WHEREAS, immediate action is often required to protect and/or secure the safety of citizen life and property, and/or wildlife and its habitat; AND

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize that a formal agreement for mutual aid would allow for better coordination of effort, ensure that adequate equipment is available, and ensure that mutual aid is accomplished in the minimum time possible; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 2: Agreement

The Parties hereby mutually agree to assist each other in the event of a natural or human-caused disaster that is beyond their respective ability to alleviate the result of the disaster on their own.

This Agreement may be activated in the event of a natural or human-caused disaster pursuant to:

- (a) a Presidential, State, or other local emergency declaration; or
- (b) the finding of an emergency by the Emergency Management Coordinator or other duly authorized agent of the State or County/City governing body of a Party; or
- (c) a significant event impacting Homeland Security.

Upon activation of the Agreement, the Fish and Wildlife Service agrees to respond as delineated in the Department of the Interior, Departmental Manual - 900 OM 1.1 – 1.10, (see Attachment 1), and shall continue, whether or not the disaster event is still active, until the services of the Party rendering aid are no longer required or when the officer in charge of the forces of the Party rendering aid determines, in his/her sole discretion, that further assistance should not be provided.

SECTION 3: Requests for Mutual Aid

(A) Local Disaster. In the event of a local disaster declaration, the Emergency Management Coordinator or other duly authorized agent of the Party seeking mutual aid shall make the request directly to the Authorized Representative of the Assisting Party from whom aid is sought. A Party from whom mutual aid is sought shall furnish mutual aid to cope with the disaster to the requesting Party, subject to the terms of this Agreement. In the event of a widespread disaster affecting more than one Party, each affected Party shall utilize its respective coordinating group for the provision of mutual aid.

(B) DISASTER THREAT. In the event of an imminent threat of an emergency such that local capabilities are or are predicted to be exceeded, the Emergency

Management Coordinator or other duly authorized agent of the Party seeking mutual aid shall make the request directly to the Authorized Representative of the Assisting Party from which assistance is sought. As all Parties will likely be involved in preparations for a known disaster, requests for mutual aid of this type are optional and it is inherent that the requesting Party will have exhausted all local capabilities prior to making a request from the Assisting Party.

(C) CONDITIONS. The furnishing of resources under this Agreement is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Requests for assistance must be made in writing;
- (b) A request for aid shall specify the amount and type of resources being requested, the location where the resources are to be dispatched, and the specific time such resources are needed;
- (c) The Assisting Party shall take such action as is necessary to provide and make available the resources requested, provided however, that the Assisting Party, in its sole discretion, shall determine what resources, if any, it has available to respond to the request; and
- (d) The Assisting Party shall report to the officer in charge of the Requesting Party's forces at the location to which the resources are dispatched.
- (e) When providing assistance under the terms of this Agreement, the personnel, equipment, and resources of any Assisting Party will be under the operational control of the Requesting Party, the response effort to which SHALL be organized and functioning within an Incident Command System (ICS) or Unified Command System (UCS). Direct supervision and control of personnel, equipment and resources shall remain with the designated supervisory personnel of the Assisting Party. The designated supervisory personnel of the Assisting Party shall maintain daily personnel time records, material records, and a log of equipment hours; be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the equipment and other resources furnished by the Assisting Party; and shall report work progress to the Requesting Party. The Assisting Party's personnel and other resources shall remain subject to recall by the Assisting Party at any time, upon reasonable notice to the Requesting Party.
- (f) At least twenty-four-hour advance notification of intent to withdraw personnel or resources shall be provided to the Requesting Party unless such notice is not practicable, in which case such notice as is reasonable shall be provided;

(g) Unless specifically instructed otherwise, the Requesting Party shall have the responsibility of providing food and housing for the personnel of the Assisting Party from the time of their arrival at the designated location to the time of their departure. However, Assisting Party personnel and equipment should be, to the greatest extent possible, self-sufficient while working in the emergency or disaster area. The Requesting Party may specify only self-sufficient personnel and resources in its request for assistance;

(h) Unless specifically instructed otherwise, the Requesting Party shall have the responsibility for coordinating communications between the personnel of the Assisting Party and the Requesting Party. Assisting Party personnel should be prepared to furnish communications equipment sufficient to maintain communications among their respective operating units;

(i) Whenever the officials, employees and volunteers of the Assisting Party are rendering aid pursuant to this Agreement, such persons shall have the powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities, and shall receive the compensation, incidental to their employment or position;

U) The initial duration of a request for assistance will be specified by the Requesting Party, to the extent possible by the situation.

(k) Within ten (10) days of the return of all personnel deployed under this Regional Mutual Aid Agreement, the Requesting Party will prepare a Summary Report of the event and provide copies to each Assisting Party. The report shall include a chronology of events and description of personnel, equipment and materials provided by one party to the other.

SECTION 4: Reimbursable Expenses

The terms and conditions governing reimbursement for any assistance provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be in accordance with the following provisions, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Requesting and Assisting Parties and specified in the Event Agreement.

A. **PERSONNEL:** During the period of assistance, the Assisting Party shall continue to pay its employees according to its then prevailing ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Requesting Party shall reimburse the Assisting Party for all direct and indirect payroll costs and expenses (including travel expenses, benefits, workers' compensation claims and expenses) incurred during the period of assistance, unless agreed to otherwise by the parties in the Event Agreement.

B. **EQUIPMENT:** The Assisting Party shall be reimbursed by the Requesting Party for the use of its equipment during the period of assistance according to

either a pre-established local or state hourly rate or according to the actual replacement, operation, and maintenance expenses incurred. For those instances in which some costs may be reimbursed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the eligible direct costs shall be determined in accordance with 44 CFR 206.228, or other regulations in effect at the time of the Disaster Event.

(a) Each Party shall maintain its own equipment in safe and operational condition.

(b) At the request of the Assisting Party, fuels, miscellaneous supplies, and minor repairs may be provided by the Requesting Party, if practical. If the equipment charges are based on a pre-established local or state hourly rate, then these charges to the Requesting Party shall be reduced by the total value of the fuels, supplies, and repairs furnished by the Requesting Party and by the amount of any insurance proceeds received by the Assisting Party.

C. MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES. The Assisting Party shall be reimbursed for all materials and supplies furnished by it and used or damaged during the period of assistance, except for the costs of equipment, fuel, maintenance materials, labor and supplies, which shall be included in the equipment rate established above, unless such damage is caused by gross negligence, or willful and wanton misconduct of the Assisting Party's personnel. The measure of reimbursement shall be determined in accordance with 44 CFR 206.228 or other regulations in effect at the time of the disaster. In the alternative, the Parties may agree that the Requesting Party will replace, with like kind and quality as determined by the Assisting Party, the materials and supplies used or damaged.

D. RECORD KEEPING. The Assisting Party shall maintain records and submit invoices for reimbursement by the Requesting Party in accordance with existing policies and practices. Upon the declaration of a state or federal disaster, the Requesting Party and Division of Emergency Management personnel shall provide information, directions, and assistance for record keeping to Assisting Party personnel.

E. PAYMENT. Unless otherwise mutually agreed, the Assisting Party shall bill the Requesting Party for all reimbursable expenses with an itemized statement as soon as practicable after the expenses are incurred, but not later than sixty (60) days following the period of assistance, unless the deadline for identifying damage is extended in accordance with applicable federal or State regulations. The Requesting Party shall pay the bill, or advise of any disputed items, not later than sixty (60) days following receipt of the statement, unless otherwise agreed upon.

SECTION 5: Term

This Agreement will be effective upon the day each party signs the agreement. Upon date of last signature, the Agreement shall remain in effect for five calendar years (January 1 – December 31).

SECTION 6: Modification Procedures

This Agreement may be revised and/or modified as necessary, by mutual consent of both parties, by written amendment signed and dated by both Parties.

SECTION 7: Resolving Disagreements

If a dispute should arise between the parties that cannot be settled by the designated project managers, then it will be referred first to the level of the appropriate Assistant Regional Director for the Fish and Wildlife Service and to the appropriate supervisor within the State or local government, for further fact-finding and efforts at resolution. If those efforts should also fail, then the dispute will be referred to the Regional Director or Deputy Regional Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service and to the appropriate elected or appointed official for State or local government. At any stage, third party mediators or arbitrators may be brought in if agreed by both Parties. The parties may also decide to terminate the agreement at any stage of the dispute in accordance with the Termination clause herein.

SECTION 8: Termination Provisions

This agreement may be terminated by either party by giving notification in writing thirty (30) days in advance. Termination of the agreement will then occur after all debts (if any) which have been identified by either Party are paid and/or resolved. Both parties will sign a Termination Agreement that is acceptable to both parties before the agreement is fully terminated.

SECTION 9: Expending Funds

Each Party that performs services or furnishes aid pursuant to this Agreement shall do so with funds available from current revenues of the Party. No Party shall have any liability for the failure to expend funds to provide aid hereunder.

In addition, nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as binding the Fish and Wildlife Service to expend in any one fiscal year any sum in excess of appropriation made by Congress, for the purpose of this Agreement for that fiscal year, or as involving the United States in any contract or other obligation for the further expenditure of money in excess of such appropriations. Nor does anything contained in this Agreement obligate the State or County/City to expend

funds not appropriated and administratively allocated to support the purposes of this agreement.

SECTION 10: Required Clauses

A. During the performance of this Agreement, the participants agree to abide by the terms of Executive Order 11246 on nondiscrimination and will not discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The participants will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

B. No member or delegate to Congress, or resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement, or any benefit that may arise there from, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this Agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

SECTION 11: Liability Clause

Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5148 the Federal Government shall not be liable for any claim based upon the exercise or performance or the failure to exercise or perform a discretionary function or duty on the part of a Federal Agency or an employee of the Federal Government in carrying out the activities authorized hereunder. The extent of any nonfederal liability shall be governed by the laws of State government.

SECTION 12: Other Mutual Aid Agreements

It is understood and agreed that certain signatory Parties may have heretofore contracted or may hereafter contract with each other for mutual aid in civil emergency and/or disaster situations, and it is agreed that, to the extent there is a conflict between this Agreement and any other such Mutual Aid Agreement, the provisions this Agreement shall be superior to any such individual contract.

Specifically, the existence of this Agreement shall not prevent a municipality, county, emergency services district, fire protection agency, organized volunteer group, or other emergency services entity from providing mutual aid assistance on request from another municipality, county, emergency services district, fire protection agency, organized volunteer group, or other emergency services entity.

Additionally, the existence of this Agreement shall not prevent any Party hereto from providing immediate emergency assistance as stated in Attachment 1 of this document.

MUTUAL AID AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT

EXECUTED by the Parties hereto, each respective entity acting by and through its duly authorized official as required by law, on multiple counterparts each of which shall be deemed to be an original, on the date specified on the multiple counterpart executed by such entity.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE**

BY: Holly Gaboriault

TITLE: Regional Chief, Southeast Region

DATE:

Telephone #: 912-313-4951

STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

BY:

TITLE : Chair, Charlton County Commission

DATE:

Telephone #: 912-496-2549

Please Complete Contact Information (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service)

Primary:

Contact Name: Michael Lusk, Refuge Manager

Office Number: 912-206-6304

24 Hour Contact: 912-390-2193

E-mail address: Michael_Lusk@fws.gov

Alternate:

Contact Name: Larry Woodward, Deputy Refuge Manager

Office Number: 912-206-6305

24 Hour Contact: 352 – 493 - 3151

E-mail address: Larry_Woodward@fws.gov

Please Complete Contact Information (State or Local Government)

Primary:

Contact Name: Becky Harden, County Administrator

Office Number: 912-496-2549

24 Hour Contact: 912-376-9356

E-mail address: bharden@charltoncountyga.gov

Alternate :

Contact Name: C.L. Lewis, Chief - Charlton County Fire and Rescue

Office Number: 912-496-3111

24 Hour Contact # 912-390-9658

E-mail address: clewis@charltoncountyga.gov

Attachment 1: Department of the Interior - DOI Policy Manual

900 DM 1.10 Immediate Emergency Response. When an imminently serious condition occurs in the immediate vicinity of Departmental resources, local field personnel of the Department's bureaus or offices are authorized, in response to the request of local governmental authorities, to take necessary action to protect human life, property, or the environment if the response would be impaired by the delay required to seek the approval of senior officials.

- A. Immediate Emergency Response means necessary action taken by local field personnel in response to the imminently serious condition.
- B. For this purpose, local governmental authorities include Federal, State, local, or tribal entities in the immediate vicinity affected by the imminently serious condition.
- C. Field personnel that have undertaken an Immediate Emergency Response must promptly advise their bureau or office management and the Department's Watch Office of the actions taken.
- D. Immediate Emergency Response to local governmental authorities should be provided on a cost-reimbursable basis whenever possible. However, such response should not be delayed or denied because of the inability or unwillingness of the local governmental authority to make a commitment to reimburse the Department, bureau, or office for such response.
- E. Examples of Immediate Emergency Response assistance to local governmental authorities are:
 - (1) Rescue, evacuation, and emergency medical treatment of persons; maintenance or restoration of emergency medical capabilities; and safeguarding the public health.
 - (2) Emergency restoration of essential public services (including fire-fighting, water, communications, transportation, power, and fuel).
 - (3) Emergency clearance of debris or rubble from public facilities and other areas to permit rescue or restoration of essential services.
 - (4) Safeguarding, collecting, and distributing, food and essential supplies
 - (5) Damage assessment.
 - (6) Interim emergency communications.

IWORQ SERVICE(S) AGREEMENT

For iWorQ application(s) and service(s)

Charlton County hereafter known as ("Customer"), enters into THIS SERVICE(S) AGREEMENT ("Agreement") with iWorQ Systems Inc. ("iWorQ") with its principal place of business 1125 West 400 North, Suite 102, Logan, Utah 84321.

1. SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE (SaaS) TERMS OF ACCESS:

iWorQ grants Customer a non-exclusive, non-transferable limited access to use iWorQ service(s), application(s) on iWorQ's authorize website for the fee(s) and terms listed in Appendix A. This agreement will govern all application(s) and service(s) listed in the Appendix A.

2. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITY:

Customer acknowledges that they are receiving only a limited subscription to use the application(s), service(s), and related documentation, if any, and shall obtain no titles, ownership nor any rights in or to the application(s), service(s), and related documentation, all of which title and rights shall remain with iWorQ. Customer shall not permit any user to reproduce, copy, or reverse engineer any of the application(s), service(s) and related documentation.

iWorQ is not responsible for the content entered into iWorQ's database or uploaded as a document or image.

3. TRAINING AND IMPLEMENTATION:

Customer agrees to provide the time, resources, and personnel to implement iWorQ's service(s) and application(s). iWorQ will assign a senior account manager and an account management team to implement service(s) and application(s). Typical implementation will take less than 60 days. iWorQ account managers will call twice per week, provide remote training once per week, and send weekly summary emails to the customer implementation team. iWorQ can provide project management and implementation document upon request.

iWorQ will do ONE import of the Customer's data. This import consists of importing data, sent by the Customer, in an electronic relational database format. Acquisition of data is the responsibility of the client; iWorQ will not be involved in negotiation for data with third parties.

Customer must have clear ownership of all forms, letters, inspections, checklists, and data sent to iWorQ.

4. CUSTOMER DATA:

Customer data will be stored on AWS GovCloud. iWorQ will use commercially reasonable efforts to backup, store and manage Customer data. iWorQ does backups twice per week and offsite backups twice per week.

Customer can run reports and export data from iWorQ application(s) at any time.

Customer can pay iWorQ for additional data management service(s), onsite backups, application(s) and other service(s).

Data upload and storage is provided to every Customer. This includes uploading files up to 25MB and 100GB of managed data storage on AWS GovCloud. Additional upload file sizes and managed data storage sizes can be provided based on the application(s) and service(s) listed in Appendix A.

Customer can upload and store images with personal information like driver's license, and more. This Data can be used by the customer to complete the permitting, licensing, or code enforcement processes. Customer understands that the data must be uploaded and stored in the Sensitive Data Upload section of the iWorQ software for access and security purposes.

iWorQ is not responsible: (1) For the content entered into iWorQ's database, (2) For images or documents scanned locally and uploaded by the iWorQ users, (3) For documents or images uploaded by citizens over the web, and (4) For backup data sent to the Customer by iWorQ.

5. CUSTOMER SUPPORT:

Customer support and training are FREE and available Monday-Friday, from 6:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. MST, for any authorized user with a login. iWorQ provides unlimited remote Customer training (through webinars), phone support, help files, and documentation. Basic support request is typically handled the same day. iWorQ provides "Service NOT Software".

6. BILLING:

iWorQ will invoice Customer on an annual basis. iWorQ will send invoice by mail and by email to the address(s) listed in Appendix A. Terms of the invoice are net 30 days from the date of the invoice. Any billing changes will require that a new Service(s) Agreement be signed by Customer.

Any additional costs imposed by the Customer including business licenses, fees, or taxes will be added to the Customer's invoice yearly. Support and services fees may increase in subsequent years but will increase no more than 5% per year.

Customer pricing is based on a 3 Year Term and reflects a discounted annual price. Changes to the Term or the Termination Policy (Section 7. Termination:), will affect the annual pricing and could double your annual cost. Customer reserves the right to pay the 3 Year Term upfront to secure discounted annual pricing.

7. TERMINATION:

Prior to the expiration of the initial 3-YEAR TERM (the "Initial Term"), either party may terminate this Agreement, by providing the other party with a Sixty (60) days' written notice prior to the effective date of the expiration. Should Customer terminate any part of the application(s) and or service(s) the remaining balance will immediately become due. Should Customer terminate any part of the application(s) and or service(s) a new Service(s) Agreement will need to be signed. Upon expiration of the Initial Term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms unless either party provide notice of termination or non-renewal no less that sixty (60) days prior to expiration of the then-current term.

Upon termination of this Agreement, iWorQ will discontinue all application(s) and or service(s); iWorQ will provide customer with an electronic copy of all of Customer's data, if requested by the Customer (within 3-5 business days).

During the term of the Agreement, the Customer may request a copy of all of Customer's data, which shall be provided to Customer for a cost of no more than \$2500 per copy. Please note, if Customer is not in compliance with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement, iWorQ will not be required to provide Customer with the data.

8. ACCEPTABLE USE:

Customer represents and warrants that the application(s) and service(s) will only be used for lawful purposes, in a manner allowed by law, and in accordance with reasonable operating rules, and policies, terms, and procedures. iWorQ may restrict access to users upon misuse of application(s) and service(s).

9. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Utah. Any legal action or proceeding related to this Agreement must be brought and determined in the State of Utah and may not be brought or determined in any other forum or Jurisdiction.

Customer recognizes that iWorQ Systems is a software company located in Utah. Any changes to this section, including changes to the Venue or Forum, will be subject to an increase in their annual pricing.

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10. CUSTOMER IMPLEMENTATION INFORMATION:

Primary Implementation Contact Joanna Powell Title Community Development Dir.

Office Phone 912-496-3826 Cell _____ Email jpowell@charltoncountyga.gov

Secondary Implementation Contact Ronnie Pollock Title Infrastructure and Development Dir.

Office Phone _____ Cell 912-276-0264 Email rpollock@charltoncountyga.gov

11. CUSTOMER BILLING INFORMATION:

Billing Contact Joanna Powell Title Community Development Dir.

Office Phone 912-496-3826 Cell _____ Email jpowell@charltoncountyga.gov

PO# _____ (if required) Tax Exempt ID # 58-6000796

12. ACCEPTANCE:

The effective date of this Agreement is listed below. Authorized representative of Customer and iWorQ have read the Agreement and agree and accept all the terms.

Signature _____

Effective Date: _____

Printed Name _____

Title _____

Office Number _____

Cell Number _____

iWorQ Systems, P.O. Box 3784, Logan, Utah, 84323



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iWorQ Service(s) Agreement

APPENDIX A

iWorQ Systems, P.O. Box 3784, Logan, Utah, 84323



iWorQ Cost Proposal

Charlton County	Population- <u>13040</u>
68 Kingsland Drive Suite B Folkston, GA 31537	Prepared by: Scott Jardine

Annual Subscription Fees

<u>Application(s) and Service(s)</u>	<u>Package Price</u>	<u>Billing</u>
Community Development (Basic) *Permit Management *Code Enforcement -Available on any computer, tablet, or mobile device using Chrome Browser -Track permits and cases with customizable reporting -Track fees and payments -Inspection and plan review tracking -Track violations, activities and follow ups -OpenStreetMap tracking abilities with quarterly updates -Free forms, letters, and/or permits utilizing iWorQ's template library, and up to 3 custom letters	\$3,500.00	Annual
Subscription Fee Total (This amount will be invoiced each year)	\$3,500.00	

One-Time Setup, GIS integration, and Data Conversion Fees

<u>Service(s)</u>	<u>Full Price Cost</u>	<u>Package Price</u>	<u>Billing</u>

NOTES SERVICE(S) DESCRIPTION

- I. Invoice for the (Annual Subscription Fee Total + On-Time Total) will be sent out 2 weeks after signature and Effective Date
- II. This subscription Fee and Agreement have been provided at the Customer's request and is valid for 25 days
- III. This cost proposal cannot be disclosed or used to compete with other companies.
- IV. Changes to the Agreement have been requested by the Customer

Charlton County Financial Narrative – November 2025



As of November 2025, Charlton County's financial position remains stable with continued fiscal activity across various funds. The overall performance shows a mix of conservative spending, strategic utilization of special-purpose funds, and responsible revenue management.

General Fund

The General Fund began November with a balance of \$2,497,047.74 and ended at **\$2,654,791.64**, reflecting a net increase. Revenues totaled \$1,143,975.59, offset by \$986,231.69 in expenses.

Special-Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Funds

- **2014 SPLOST:** The account showed no revenue or expenses in the month of November.
- **2020 SPLOST:** Active usage continued with \$4,654.33 in expenses. Revenue inflow of \$152,027.14 helped cushion the outflow, bringing the balance to **\$2,639,673.33**.
- **TSPLOST:** Maintained steady growth with \$42,813.64 in revenue against only \$16,807.08 in expenses. The ending balance stood at **\$1,823,453.95**.

Grants & Projects

This fund remained dynamic, with \$1,315.24 in revenue and \$356,711.28 in expenses, resulting in a balance of **\$1,309,254.32**.

Emergency Services (EMS) & Related Programs

- **EMS Fund:** The fund increased slightly to **\$243,244.73**, with revenue of \$49,472.38 cushioning against expenditures of \$58,577.51.
- **EMS Education Program:** Saw a slight decrease, ending with a stable balance of \$20,911.22.
- **911 Emergency Telephone Fund:** Consistently accruing monthly revenue of \$13,680.57, the fund now holds **\$149,622.62**.

Recreation Fund

The Recreation account saw \$4,421.00 in revenue and \$5,771.53 in expenses, leading to a stable month-end balance of **\$29,337.50**.

Reserves (previously) Assigned and Excess Funds

- **Reserves (previously Assigned Funds Account)** increased by \$4,581.87, ending with **\$1,226,973.17**.
- **Excess Funds** saw no revenue or expenses in the month of November.

ARPA & Donation Accounts

The **ARPA Account** saw no movement in November, ending with a balance of **\$949,237.41**. The **Donation Account** also held steady at **\$10,578.77**, with a one-time expenditure of \$1,050.00.

Other Notable Accounts

- **Senior Center** received a one-time revenue of \$18.00 and no expenditures, bringing the overall balance to **\$2,366.19**.
- **Folkston Ice Processing Center** saw an increase in balance, with no revenue and expenditures of \$4,904,823.76, bringing its balance to **\$100.00**.
- **Junior Firefighter Donation Account** maintained static balances with no recent activity.
- **Juvenile Account** saw no movement either.

Conclusion

Charlton County's November 2025 financial report reflects an overall healthy balance of revenue and expenditures. The county demonstrated a continued commitment to financial sustainability by carefully utilizing available funds while being mindful of incoming revenue.

Charlton County Bank Account Information

Account Name	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
General Fund											
Old Balance	\$783,101.82	\$4,308,592.22	\$3,840,802.66	\$3,824,991.15	\$4,332,719.66	\$3,785,413.28	\$2,901,540.73	\$3,126,352.88	\$2,715,955.46	\$2,117,870.77	\$2,497,047.74
Revenue	\$5,109,849.65	\$596,410.41	\$972,545.21	\$1,567,411.51	\$364,996.24	\$380,107.60	\$1,297,591.76	\$897,875.40	\$506,842.62	\$1,247,773.46	\$1,143,975.59
Expenses	\$1,584,359.25	\$1,064,199.97	\$988,356.72	\$1,059,683.00	\$912,302.62	\$1,263,980.15	\$1,072,779.61	\$1,308,272.82	\$1,104,927.31	\$868,596.49	\$986,231.69
New Balance	\$4,308,592.22	\$3,840,802.66	\$3,824,991.15	\$4,332,719.66	\$3,785,413.28	\$2,901,540.73	\$3,126,352.88	\$2,715,955.46	\$2,117,870.77	\$2,497,047.74	\$2,654,791.64
Outstanding Checks	\$200,565.51	\$159,819.08	\$358,972.77	\$158,225.60	\$95,520.74	\$31,753.77	\$85,950.96	\$78,090.72	\$54,922.52	\$157,582.83	\$68,268.08
2014 SPLOST											
Old Balance	\$515,777.51	\$515,777.51	\$515,777.51	\$514,172.48	\$514,172.48	\$452,486.31	\$452,486.31	\$452,486.31	\$445,079.31	\$445,079.31	\$391,568.29
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,605.03	\$0.00	\$61,686.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,407.00	\$0.00	\$53,511.02	\$0.00
New Balance	\$515,777.51	\$515,777.51	\$514,172.48	\$514,172.48	\$452,486.31	\$452,486.31	\$452,486.31	\$445,079.31	\$445,079.31	\$391,568.29	\$391,568.29
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,407.00	\$0.00	\$53,511.02	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drug Education											
Old Balance	\$97,182.66	\$91,032.29	\$89,762.29	\$90,070.29	\$88,419.83	\$87,834.83	\$87,552.76	\$87,488.09	\$85,972.44	\$80,271.54	\$79,619.09
Revenue	\$919.00	\$0.00	\$308.00	\$641.00	\$0.00	\$1,267.28	\$528.91	\$1,533.50	\$0.00	\$1,139.96	\$0.00
Expenses	\$7,069.37	\$1,270.00	\$0.00	\$2,291.46	\$585.00	\$1,549.35	\$593.58	\$3,049.15	\$5,700.90	\$1,792.41	\$575.22
New Balance	\$91,032.29	\$89,762.29	\$90,070.29	\$88,419.83	\$87,834.83	\$87,552.76	\$87,488.09	\$85,972.44	\$80,271.54	\$79,619.09	\$79,043.87
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$870.00	\$0.00	\$560.50	\$416.94	\$5,700.90	\$0.00	\$424.75	\$832.59
Grants & Projects											
Old Balance	\$2,086,550.21	\$2,050,237.70	\$2,332,564.03	\$2,174,534.99	\$2,664,668.46	\$2,061,064.22	\$2,279,778.18	\$2,188,005.08	\$2,511,101.54	\$2,497,077.33	\$1,664,650.36
Revenue	\$3,522,926.76	\$3,878,947.01	\$2,650.05	\$4,537,500.10	\$6,381,443.00	\$494,505.00	\$3,620,510.93	\$547,405.77	\$13,936,323.59	\$12,977,719.00	\$1,315.24
Expenses	\$3,559,239.27	\$3,596,620.68	\$160,679.09	\$4,047,366.63	\$6,985,047.24	\$275,791.04	\$3,712,284.03	\$224,309.31	\$13,950,347.80	\$13,810,145.97	\$356,711.28
New Balance	\$2,050,237.70	\$2,332,564.03	\$2,174,534.99	\$2,664,668.46	\$2,061,064.22	\$2,279,778.18	\$2,188,005.08	\$2,511,101.54	\$2,497,077.33	\$1,664,650.36	\$1,309,254.32
Outstanding Checks	*						\$1,338.38	\$2,004.29	\$15,351.11	\$367,588.81	\$15,313.66
EMS											
Old Balance	\$229,257.82	\$237,201.25	\$229,775.80	\$252,668.12	\$244,416.31	\$237,168.74	\$230,139.40	\$234,090.80	\$254,420.97	\$242,146.78	\$252,349.86
Revenue	\$51,640.23	\$45,708.54	\$61,733.23	\$60,785.92	\$54,501.08	\$44,370.29	\$46,548.09	\$63,352.10	\$35,577.66	\$38,561.87	\$49,472.38
Expenses	\$43,696.80	\$53,133.99	\$38,840.91	\$69,037.73	\$61,748.65	\$51,399.63	\$42,596.69	\$43,021.93	\$47,851.85	\$28,358.79	\$58,577.51
New Balance	\$237,201.25	\$229,775.80	\$252,668.12	\$244,416.31	\$237,168.74	\$230,139.40	\$234,090.80	\$254,420.97	\$242,146.78	\$252,349.86	\$243,244.73
Outstanding Checks	\$4,937.55	\$2,863.40	\$2,168.71	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$281.15	\$585.36	\$9,180.05	\$836.50	\$14,383.04	\$4,021.40
Recreation											
Old Balance	\$54,022.89	\$60,698.07	\$67,716.66	\$60,372.50	\$61,475.35	\$54,135.79	\$52,983.21	\$53,817.56	\$38,994.82	\$38,315.96	\$30,688.03
Revenue	\$9,504.87	\$14,059.41	\$2,111.76	\$12,865.80	\$5,563.76	\$3,383.35	\$3,339.75	\$5,860.00	\$4,338.02	\$3,741.45	\$4,421.00
Expenses	\$2,829.69	\$7,040.82	\$9,455.92	\$11,762.95	\$12,903.32	\$4,535.93	\$2,505.40	\$20,682.74	\$5,016.88	\$11,369.38	\$5,771.53
New Balance	\$60,698.07	\$67,716.66	\$60,372.50	\$61,475.35	\$54,135.79	\$52,983.21	\$53,817.56	\$38,994.82	\$38,315.96	\$30,688.03	\$29,337.50
Outstanding Checks	\$3,913.28	\$1,707.53	\$5,991.00	\$10,151.19	\$2,844.85	\$1,838.29	\$19,876.62	\$1,772.50	\$10,141.77	\$2,917.42	\$1,796.71
TSPLOST											
Old Balance	\$1,601,384.52	\$1,649,195.27	\$1,676,114.36	\$1,715,028.32	\$1,750,735.61	\$1,787,650.57	\$1,732,285.79	\$1,759,107.27	\$1,760,765.22	\$1,784,480.34	\$1,797,447.39
Revenue	\$52,507.69	\$41,296.26	\$42,561.29	\$46,209.16	\$44,404.28	\$44,871.91	\$45,358.66	\$44,633.11	\$44,533.08	\$43,581.05	\$42,813.64
Expenses	\$4,696.94	\$14,377.17	\$3,647.33	\$10,501.87	\$7,489.32	\$100,236.69	\$18,537.18	\$42,975.16	\$20,817.96	\$30,614.00	\$16,807.08
New Balance	\$1,649,195.27	\$1,676,114.36	\$1,715,028.32	\$1,750,735.61	\$1,787,650.57	\$1,732,285.79	\$1,759,107.27	\$1,760,765.22	\$1,784,480.34	\$1,797,447.39	\$1,823,453.95
Outstanding Checks	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$17,617.96
Donation Account											
Old Balance	\$9,400.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,578.77
Revenue	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$322.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
New Balance	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,278.77	\$10,578.77	\$9,528.77
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Charlton County Bank Account Information (cont.)

Account Name	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
Excess Funds Account											
Old Balance	\$61,223.39	\$61,223.39	\$61,223.39	\$61,223.39	\$113,556.39	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$52,333.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,028.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$61,223.39	\$61,223.39	\$61,223.39	\$113,556.39	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19	\$99,528.19
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Reserves Account(Previously Assigned Funds)											
Old Balance	\$1,701,995.04	\$752,075.85	\$703,690.67	\$977,391.30	\$989,711.69	\$977,391.30	\$987,556.56	\$992,288.64	\$996,868.07	\$1,251,459.88	\$1,222,391.30
Revenue	\$929.70	\$14,359.26	\$273,756.52	\$12,320.39	\$16,527.03	\$10,165.26	\$4,732.08	\$4,579.43	\$254,591.81	\$22,976.79	\$4,581.87
Expenses	\$950,848.89	\$62,744.44	\$55.89	\$0.00	\$28,847.42	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$52,045.37	\$0.00
New Balance	\$752,075.85	\$703,690.67	\$977,391.30	\$989,711.69	\$977,391.30	\$987,556.56	\$992,288.64	\$996,868.07	\$1,251,459.88	\$1,222,391.30	\$1,226,973.17
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2020 SPLOST Account											
Old Balance	\$2,454,593.75	\$2,214,063.68	\$2,279,318.67	\$2,182,523.97	\$2,198,470.62	\$2,253,937.09	\$2,399,389.01	\$2,464,382.12	\$2,471,660.91	\$2,496,833.61	\$2,492,300.52
Revenue	\$146,218.93	\$129,288.81	\$132,629.05	\$147,338.63	\$163,457.64	\$145,888.20	\$145,855.39	\$126,334.15	\$145,746.31	\$148,662.81	\$152,027.14
Expenses	\$386,749.00	\$64,033.82	\$229,423.75	\$131,391.98	\$107,991.17	\$436.28	\$80,862.28	\$119,055.36	\$120,573.61	\$153,195.90	\$4,654.33
New Balance	\$2,214,063.68	\$2,279,318.67	\$2,182,523.97	\$2,198,470.62	\$2,253,937.09	\$2,399,389.01	\$2,464,382.12	\$2,471,660.91	\$2,496,833.61	\$2,492,300.52	\$2,639,673.33
Outstanding Checks	\$6,000.00	\$102,183.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$436.28	\$74,069.00	\$0.00	\$39,490.00	\$152,595.90	\$4,218.05	\$0.00
ARPA Account											
Old Balance	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,193,767.41	\$1,193,767.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220,138.00	\$0.00	\$244,530.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,193,767.41	\$1,193,767.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41	\$949,237.41
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220,138.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Senior Center Account											
Old Balance	\$1,133.51	\$1,161.51	\$722.56	\$2,364.56	\$2,402.56	\$2,440.56	\$2,464.56	\$2,260.19	\$2,290.19	\$2,324.19	\$2,348.19
Revenue	\$28.00	\$28.00	\$1,642.00	\$38.00	\$38.00	\$24.00	\$28.00	\$30.00	\$34.00	\$24.00	\$18.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$466.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$232.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$1,161.51	\$722.56	\$2,364.56	\$2,402.56	\$2,440.56	\$2,464.56	\$2,260.19	\$2,290.19	\$2,324.19	\$2,348.19	\$2,366.19
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Folkston Ice Processing Center											
Old Balance	\$3,508,467.44	\$3,519,929.49	\$3,477,396.35	\$100.00	\$3,885,999.44	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$9,808,485.06	\$4,904,923.76
Revenue	\$3,519,829.49	\$3,477,296.35	\$0.00	\$3,885,899.44	\$6,884,564.42	\$0.00	\$3,619,230.76	\$0.00	\$13,115,390.15	\$13,791,344.73	\$0.00
Expenses	\$3,508,367.44	\$3,519,829.49	\$3,477,296.35	\$0.00	\$10,770,463.86	\$0.00	\$3,619,230.76	\$0.00	\$3,307,005.09	\$18,694,906.03	\$4,904,823.76
New Balance	\$3,519,929.49	\$3,477,396.35	\$100.00	\$3,885,999.44	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$9,808,485.06	\$4,904,923.76	\$100.00
Outstanding Checks	\$3,519,829.49	\$3,477,296.32	\$0.00	\$3,885,899.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EMS Education Program Fund											
Old Balance	\$11,368.84	\$10,873.84	\$14,493.84	\$14,501.82	\$14,200.52	\$22,345.52	\$27,272.52	\$20,272.52	\$21,206.56	\$21,206.56	\$25,649.97
Revenue	\$0.00	\$3,620.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$10,600.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,150.00	\$0.00	\$4,443.41	\$0.00
Expenses	\$495.00	\$0.00	\$492.02	\$301.30	\$2,455.00	\$1,073.00	\$7,000.00	\$215.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,738.75
New Balance	\$10,873.84	\$14,493.84	\$14,501.82	\$14,200.52	\$22,345.52	\$27,272.52	\$20,272.52	\$21,206.56	\$21,206.56	\$25,649.97	\$20,911.22
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$215.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,738.75	\$0.00
Junior Firefighter Donation Account											
Old Balance	\$1,064.48	\$1,064.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$64.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$1,064.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48	\$1,000.48
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Charlton County Bank Account Information (cont.)

Account Name	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV
Juvenile Account											
Old Balance	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$430.20	\$430.20	\$430.20	\$430.20
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$430.20	\$430.20	\$430.20	\$430.20	\$430.20
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
911 Emergency Telephone Fund											
Old Balance	\$160,381.98	\$174,204.01	\$187,888.22	\$201,307.57	\$54,547.27	\$68,128.26	\$81,573.78	\$95,231.09	\$108,764.45	\$122,232.08	\$135,942.05
Revenue	\$13,822.03	\$13,684.21	\$13,419.35	\$13,280.53	\$13,580.99	\$13,445.52	\$13,657.31	\$13,533.36	\$13,467.63	\$13,709.97	\$13,680.57
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$160,040.83	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$174,204.01	\$187,888.22	\$201,307.57	\$54,547.27	\$68,128.26	\$81,573.78	\$95,231.09	\$108,764.45	\$122,232.08	\$135,942.05	\$149,622.62
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CDBG 2022											
Old Balance	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$0.00	\$63,498.27
Revenue	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$63,498.27	\$122,673.03
Expenses	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$0.00	\$63,498.27
New Balance	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$63,498.27	\$122,673.03
Outstanding Checks	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$0.00	\$0.00

Charlton County EMS Financial Report – November 2025



Overview:

The financial performance of Charlton County EMS for November 2025 continues to reflect a mix of improvement attempts and ongoing challenges, with overall success compared to last year.

Cash & Revenue:

- **Total Cash:** For November 2025, Charlton County EMS reported **\$50,541.51** in cash, an increase from the previous year's figure of **\$46,205.72**. Year-to-date (YTD), the total cash stands at **\$555,756.56**, which is a notable rise from the previous YTD total of **\$408,500.23**.
- **Cash Per Transport:** The agency received an average of **\$555.40** per transport this fiscal year, compared to **\$550.07** per transport in November 2024.
- **Total Charges:** Total charges for November amounted to **\$85,695.40**, with a year-to-date total of **\$1,007,418.40**, an increase compared to **\$905,600.06** in the previous fiscal year and **\$84,213.00** in November 2024.

Operations:

- **Transports:** The EMS team conducted **91** transports in November 2025, leading to a total of **1102 transports** YTD, compared to **84** transports and **969** YTD in the previous year. This suggests a steady commitment to operational activity, contributing positively to revenue generation throughout the year.
- **Non-Transports:** The number of non-transport incidents was **25** for November 2025, with a total of **237** YTD, which shows a sharp rise from the previous year's **180** non-transports for YTD.

Discounts and Write-Offs:

- **Total Discounts and Write-Offs:** The report indicates that write-offs for November 2025 amounted to **\$54,883.90**, with a year-to-date total of **\$455,377.72**. In comparison to the previous fiscal year, where November 2024 had significantly less write-offs totaling **\$34,373.85** and a higher YTD value of **\$568,801.54**.
- **Bad Debt Write-Offs:** There has been a significant decrease in bad debt write-offs, with **\$234,383.26** written off in 2025, compared to **\$421,625.00** for 2024.

- **Contractual Adjustments:** Adjustments related to insurance contracts, including Medicaid and Medicare, also showed notable increases. **Medicaid write-offs** for November 2025 totaled **\$5,557.31**, significantly lower than the previous year's **\$2,456.02**.

Collection Rates:

- **Collection Rate:** The collection rate for the month of November 2025 was **59%**, with a year-to-date rate of **55%** compared to November 2024 which had a collection rate of **55%** and the YTD rate was **45%**. This indicates consistent attempts across the organization to collect payments and shows the year's efforts over the span of one year to increase annual revenue.
- **Adjusted Collection Rate:** After adjusting for Medicare and Medicaid, the adjusted collection rate is **71.97%** for the month of November 2025, up from **60.15%** in the previous year. This improvement indicates that after considering write-offs, the agency's ability to collect payments from eligible payers has increased.

Conclusion:

Charlton County EMS continues maintaining consistent operational numbers monthly and expanding its YTD performance, compared to the previous year. The report continues to reflect the active departmental changes, billing process improvements, and strategic plans that have been implemented to address the previous challenges with collections.

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Cash

	This Fiscal Year		Last Fiscal Year	
	Month	Year To Date	Month	Year To Date
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Non-Transports	25	237	24	180
Total Transports	91	1102	84	969
Total Cash	\$50,541.51	\$555,756.56	\$46,205.72	\$408,500.23
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Cash - Adjusted YTD	\$0.00	(\$123.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Cash Adjusted	(\$123.00)	(\$123.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Total Disc. And W/O	\$54,883.90	\$455,377.72	\$34,373.85	\$568,801.54
Disc. And W/O Adjusted YTD	\$0.00	(\$2,907.90)	\$0.00	(\$2,552.67)
Total Disc. W/O Adjusted	(\$17.50)	(\$8,425.52)	\$0.00	(\$5,102.32)
Total Charges	\$85,695.40	\$1,007,418.40	\$84,213.00	\$905,600.06
Charges - Adjusted YTD	\$0.00	\$3,467.20	\$0.00	\$10,315.40
Total Charges Adjusted	\$0.00	\$2,230.20	\$4.20	\$13,723.00
A/R Balance	(\$19,589.51)	\$702,552.38	\$3,633.43	\$690,916.07
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Cash Per Transport	\$555.40	\$504.32	\$550.07	\$421.57
Cost Per Call	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Collection Rate	59%	55%	55%	45%

Discounts and WriteOffs

	This Fiscal Year		Last Fiscal Year	
	Month	Year To Date	Month	Year To Date
Discount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Refund - Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WriteOff - Auto Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WriteOff - Bad Debt	\$36,584.68	\$234,383.26	\$26,027.93	\$421,625.00
WriteOff - Charity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WriteOff - Contract	\$0.00	\$89.48	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contractual - Insurance	\$4,321.95	\$50,709.54	\$2,528.05	\$38,207.37
Contractual - Medicaid	\$5,557.31	\$108,592.59	\$2,409.85	\$61,037.37
Contractual - Medicare	\$5,587.76	\$23,282.66	\$2,456.02	\$21,580.55
WriteOff - Other	\$2,832.20	\$18,306.81	\$0.00	\$5,086.30
WriteOff - Self Pay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
WriteOff - Timely Filing	\$0.00	\$16,764.44	\$0.00	\$15,750.28
WriteOff - Workers Comp	\$0.00	\$341.04	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Total - (Minus Discount)	\$54,883.90	\$452,469.82	\$33,421.85	\$563,336.87
Adj. Collection Rate	71.97%	67.38%	60.15%	52.05%

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Invoice	DOS	Org. Period	Modified Date	Previous	Adjusted	Diff	Affected AR Per.
Payment Adjustments Out Of Period							
Original Period:		25-10					
325092902	09/29/2025	25-10	11/26/2025	123.00	.00	-123.00	25-11
Original Period Offset:						-123.00	
Total	Payment Adjustments Out Of Period					-123.00	

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Invoice	DOS	Org. Period	Modified Date	Previous	Adjusted	Diff	Affected AR Per.
WriteOff Adjustments Out Of Period							
Original Period:		18-02					
117091601	09/16/2017	18-02	11/26/2025	1257.40	1239.90	-17.50	25-11
Original Period Offset:						-17.50	
Total	WriteOff Adjustments Out Of Period					-17.50	



Charlton County October Financial Comparison (2020–2025)

General Fund

Change (2020–2025): ▼ 43.80% decrease

The General Fund experienced a steady decline, primarily due to higher annual expenses and reduced revenue inflows. From 2024 onward, expenditures have consistently outpaced revenue, leading to an overall reduction of more than half the fund's balance in five years.

2014 SPLOST

Change (2020–2025): ▼ 61.37% decrease

This SPLOST fund has seen minimal activity between 2022-2024, with no new revenues reported and small recurring expenses. The declining balance reflects the completion of projects funded by this special-purpose tax initiative.

Drug Education

The fund remained stable, with a brief increase in 2024 due to an influx of educational grant revenue.

Grants & Projects

Balances varied sharply:

Highly project-dependent, with huge spikes and drops in both revenue and expenses. 2025 saw strong revenue but a balance decline as spending slightly exceeded income.

EMS

Change (2020–2025): ▼ 49.88% decrease

Revenue and expenses remained relatively stable over the years, but overall declines reflect increased operational costs and limited revenue growth, reducing available reserves by half since 2020.

Recreation

Change (2020–2025): ▲ 85.30% increase

The recreation account steadily grew due to consistent revenue generation and reduced spending in recent years. The fund is now nearly triple its 2020 balance, indicating successful operational cost control.

TSPLOST

Transportation-related SPLOST funds increased significantly as collections from sales tax revenue rose. Expenditures were moderate, allowing the fund to accumulate surplus for future infrastructure investments.

Donation Account

This account remains stable with minimal activity. The modest increase results from retained balances.

Excess Funds Account

This reserve fund has grown substantially over five years, likely due to conservative expenditure practices and fund reallocations from other accounts.

Reserves Account

Change (2020–2025): ▼ 10.65% decrease

The reserves account remains largely consistent, reflecting occasional use for operational support but strong overall stability across the period.

2020 SPLOST

Change (2020–2025): ▲ 281.54% increase

Strong sales tax revenues and controlled project spending have expanded this fund dramatically. The balance more than quadrupled, highlighting effective long-term fiscal management.

ARPA

Change (2021–2025): ▼ 58.13% decrease

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds have been systematically spent over time, reflecting ongoing community investments and project completions.

Senior Center

A steady account with minimal activity, the Senior Center fund shows small annual contributions and limited expenses.

Folkston Ice Processing

Balances showed extreme fluctuation. Due to the nature of the account, large deposits and immediate expenditures in the same month are to be expected.

EMS Education Fund

Change: Significant growth since inception

The program demonstrates fiscal growth, likely due to sustained allocations for EMS training and education initiatives, maintaining positive net balances.

Junior Firefighter Donation

- **2023 Balance:** \$394.48
- **2025 Balance:** \$1,000.48
- **Change (2023–2025):** ▲ 153.62% increase

Modest contributions and no expenses have strengthened this account over the past two years.

Juvenile Account

2020–2025: Stable at \$380–\$430 range

No revenues or expenses reported, indicating static fund status throughout the five-year period.

911 Emergency Telephone Fund

Change (2023–2025): ▼ 6.31% decrease

Although revenues were consistent, previous fund surpluses decreased as funds were likely reallocated or utilized for operational enhancements in 2024–2025.

Annual Comparison of November Bank Statements

Account Name	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
General Fund						
Old Balance	\$2,497,047.74	\$2,654,791.64	\$4,258,659.40	\$3,605,184.38	\$5,886,158.17	\$5,285,946.33
Revenue	\$1,143,975.59	\$461,311.58	\$469,950.85	\$658,270.67	\$533,536.60	\$808,561.09
Expenses	\$986,231.69	\$933,777.25	\$2,180,356.02	\$727,842.80	\$1,156,273.58	\$233,647.71
New Balance	\$2,654,791.64	\$2,182,325.97	\$2,548,254.23	\$3,535,630.38	\$5,263,421.19	\$4,724,259.04
2014 SPLOST						
Old Balance	\$391,568.29	\$515,777.51	\$528,311.77	\$575,655.48	\$876,106.31	\$1,016,950.69
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,922.13	\$0.00	\$162.43	\$3,198.08
New Balance	\$391,568.29	\$515,777.51	\$526,389.64	\$575,655.48	\$875,943.88	\$1,013,752.61
Drug Education						
Old Balance	\$79,619.09	\$95,836.42	\$79,282.86	\$74,090.30	\$70,205.33	\$77,497.03
Revenue	\$0.00	\$2,036.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$575.22	\$262.00	\$761.56	\$613.35	\$690.94	\$893.66
New Balance	\$79,043.87	\$97,610.62	\$78,521.30	\$73,476.95	\$69,514.39	\$76,603.37
Grants & Projects						
Old Balance	\$1,664,650.36	\$2,420,124.67	\$1,932,256.98	\$556,329.75	\$674,089.24	\$636,592.85
Revenue	\$1,315.24	\$3,485,594.50	\$4,806.38	\$756,979.88	\$8,995.93	\$16,636.00
Expenses	\$356,711.28	\$3,583,587.71	\$14,502.59	\$0.00	\$8,995.93	\$37,055.00
New Balance	\$1,309,254.32	\$2,322,131.46	\$1,922,560.77	\$1,313,309.63	\$674,089.24	\$616,173.85
EMS						
Old Balance	\$252,349.86	\$216,560.22	\$264,945.95	\$331,262.91	\$451,749.32	\$479,824.34
Revenue	\$49,472.38	\$44,046.75	\$41,819.64	\$55,268.49	\$41,955.10	\$56,638.57
Expenses	\$58,577.51	\$33,914.69	\$46,549.26	\$19,548.00	\$56,031.70	\$51,143.70
New Balance	\$243,244.73	\$226,692.28	\$259,916.33	\$366,983.40	\$437,672.72	\$485,319.21

Annual Comparison of November Bank Statements

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Recreation						
Old Balance	\$30,688.03	\$53,836.81	\$33,463.74	\$41,320.59	\$30,331.55	\$14,645.65
Revenue	\$4,421.00	\$1,620.00	\$4,659.76	\$2,968.50	\$2,440.00	\$2,652.15
Expenses	\$5,771.53	\$1,652.24	\$1,933.83	\$3,136.82	\$640.50	\$1,464.69
New Balance	\$29,337.50	\$53,804.57	\$36,189.67	\$41,152.27	\$32,131.05	\$15,833.11
TSPLOST						
Old Balance	\$1,797,447.39	\$1,591,968.80	\$1,399,517.09	\$1,311,107.91	\$844,714.62	\$442,614.92
Revenue	\$42,813.64	\$45,779.29	\$36,771.64	\$38,211.93	\$43,212.19	\$33,125.89
Expenses	\$16,807.08	\$32,739.73	\$30,404.37	\$0.00	\$7,354.98	\$4,300.00
New Balance	\$1,823,453.95	\$1,605,008.36	\$1,405,884.36	\$1,349,319.84	\$880,571.83	\$471,440.81
Donation Account						
Old Balance	\$10,578.77	\$9,708.27	\$9,047.77	\$8,009.04	\$7,806.68	\$6,385.68
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$1,050.00	\$1,037.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21.00
New Balance	\$9,528.77	\$8,670.77	\$9,047.77	\$9,209.04	\$9,006.68	\$6,364.68
Excess Funds Account						
Old Balance	\$99,528.19	\$61,427.02	\$95,864.64	\$75,963.92	\$85,918.13	\$34,558.38
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,493.11
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,146.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,093.37
New Balance	\$99,528.19	\$61,427.02	\$85,718.25	\$75,963.92	\$85,918.13	\$50,958.12
Reserves Account(Previously Assigned Funds)						
Old Balance	\$1,222,391.30	\$192,902.17	\$1,430,692.73	\$1,101,192.64	\$1,510,477.62	\$1,335,668.57
Revenue	\$4,581.87	\$297,780.18	\$12,893.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37,572.25
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,203,201.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$1,226,973.17	\$490,682.35	\$240,385.23	\$1,101,192.64	\$1,510,477.62	\$1,373,240.82

Annual Comparison of November Bank Statements

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
2020 SPLOST Account						
Old Balance	\$2,492,300.52	\$2,223,008.44	\$1,753,566.07	\$1,553,238.27	\$1,287,185.85	\$608,332.40
Revenue	\$152,027.14	\$142,291.40	\$132,481.58	\$118,889.01	\$106,080.89	\$100,490.98
Expenses	\$4,654.33	\$436.28	\$84,329.80	\$12,116.23	\$11,331.32	\$16,988.00
New Balance	\$2,639,673.33	\$2,364,863.56	\$1,801,717.85	\$1,660,011.05	\$1,381,935.42	\$691,835.38
ARPA Account						
Old Balance	\$949,237.41	\$1,417,603.41	\$1,955,103.38	\$2,267,424.78	*	*
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	*	*
Expenses	\$0.00	\$3,698.00	\$17,600.00	\$0.00	*	*
New Balance	\$949,237.41	\$1,413,905.41	\$1,937,503.38	\$2,267,424.78	*	*
Senior Center Account						
Old Balance	\$2,348.19	\$859.51	\$1,684.59	\$1,406.69	\$2,025.82	\$1,728.08
Revenue	\$18.00	\$238.00	\$158.00	\$38.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$419.04	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$0.00
New Balance	\$2,366.19	\$1,097.51	\$1,423.55	\$1,444.69	\$1,900.82	\$1,728.08
Folkston Ice Processing Center						
Old Balance	\$4,904,923.76	\$789,198.51	\$773,321.54	\$3,118,520.36	\$1,300,619.50	*
Revenue	\$0.00	\$3,482,219.03	\$3,252,978.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	*
Expenses	\$4,904,823.76	\$789,098.51	\$3,252,978.96	\$3,118,420.36	\$0.00	*
New Balance	\$100.00	\$3,482,319.03	\$773,321.54	\$100.00	\$1,300,619.50	*
EMS Education Program Fund						
Old Balance	\$25,649.97	\$11,368.84	\$14,571.01	\$23,328.83	*	*
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	*	*
Expenses	\$4,738.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	*	*
New Balance	\$20,911.22	\$11,368.84	\$14,571.01	\$23,328.83	*	*

Annual Comparison of November Bank Statements

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Junior Firefighter Donation Account						
Old Balance	\$1,000.48	\$1,114.48	\$400.48	*	*	*
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	*	*	*
Expenses	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$6.00	*	*	*
New Balance	\$1,000.48	\$1,064.48	\$394.48	*	*	*
Juvenile Account						
Old Balance	\$430.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$29.48	*
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70.52	*
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	*
New Balance	\$430.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$380.20	\$100.00	*
911 Emergency Telephone Fund						
Old Balance	\$135,942.05	\$133,286.73	\$282,994.94	\$128,163.08	*	*
Revenue	\$13,680.57	\$13,462.80	\$12,996.85	\$12,577.53	*	*
Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$153,715.58	\$0.00	*	*
New Balance	\$149,622.62	\$146,749.53	\$142,276.21	\$140,740.31	*	*
CDBG 2022						
Old Balance	\$63,498.27	*	*	*	*	*
Revenue	\$122,673.03	*	*	*	*	*
Expenses	\$63,498.27	*	*	*	*	*
New Balance	\$122,673.03	*	*	*	*	*

Charlton County Government 2026 Holiday Schedule

County Regular Business Hours
8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

Day	Date	Holiday	Comment
Thursday	1-Jan	New Year's Day	Closed all day
Monday	19-Jan	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Closed all day
Friday	3-Apr	Good Friday	Closed all day
Monday	25-May	Memorial Day	Closed all day
Friday	3-Jul	Independence Day	Closed all day
Monday	7-Sep	Labor Day	Closed all day
Wednesday	11-Nov	Veterans Day	Closed all day
Wednesday	25-Nov	Day before Thanksgiving	Early Closing at 12:00 noon - 4 hour Holiday
Thursday	26-Nov	Thanksgiving Day	Closed all day
Friday	27-Nov	Friday after Thanksgiving	Closed all day
Thursday	24-Dec	Christmas Eve	Early Closing at 12:00 noon - 4 hour Holiday
Friday	25-Dec	Christmas Day	Closed all day
Thursday	31-Dec	New Year's Eve	Early Closing at 12:00 noon - 4 hour Holiday

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Friday	1-Jan	New Year's Day	Closed all day
Monday	18-Jan	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Closed all day

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HOLIDAY Schedule is set by the BOC adopted personnel system

Early Closing times are by BOC adopted policy