

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Abandonment of Unopened Right of Way - Hart Road

Work Session/Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: February 10, 2020

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE:

( ) Annual

( ) Capital

(X) N/A

( ) SPLOST

( ) TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Public use on county right of way

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HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The County has received a request to abandon the unopened right of way of Hart Road. The right of way was never opened and the owners have requested that the County quitclaim it back to them. Georgia statute requires an initial determination that the "section of the county road system has for any reason ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it or that its removal from the county road system is otherwise in the best public interest." If the Board makes this determination with respect to the unopened right of way, the statute provides for notice to adjoining property owners, notice to the public by newspaper publication, and a public hearing. After the public hearing, the Board "may declare that section of the county road system abandoned."

OPTIONS: 1. Make the required determination  
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's pleasure

DEPARTMENT: Engineering

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mike Fletcher

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: