Okefenokee recommended for WHS designation

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value. The United States has 26 World Heritage Sites, but none in Georgia. Those U.S. sites include Yellowstone National Park, Everglades National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Independence Hall, and the Statue of Liberty, among others.

If the Okefenokee Swamp NWR is chosen as a World Heritage Site later this month, that designation will have no effect on how the refuge is managed. All World Heritage Sites remain under the ownership and management of the host nation or local authorities. UNESCO's role is purely to oversee the nomination process, maintain the registry, and monitor the preservation of these locations. UNESCO has no authority or jurisdiction over any World Heritage Site.

Pizza Hut

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County and investing in the area's continued growth.

While the ribbon cutting celebrated the restaurant's arrival, the official grand opening to the public is scheduled for Tuesday, July 7. Customers will be able to enjoy Pizza Hut's full menu, including its signature pizzas, wings, pastas, desserts, and more. Orders can be placed online, through the Pizza Hut mobile app, or by calling (912) 556-6578 for carryout.

"The excitement surrounding Pizza Hut's return has been incredible," said Clinch County Chamber Executive Director Reilly Robbins. "We're grateful to Flynn Group for investing in our community and creating new opportunities here in Clinch County. We encourage everyone to stop by, support the new location, and give the team a warm Clinch County welcome."

Helms

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law enforcement aimed at removing repeat gun offenders from the streets.

She also currently serves on the Board of Visitors for the University of Georgia School of Law, and the Board of Trustees for the United Methodist Youth Home. Mrs. Helms also serves alongside Superior Court Judge Clay Tomlinson on the State Bar's Board of Governors.

Mrs. Helms earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Virginia and her law degree from the University of Georgia. Her husband, Jeff Helms, is an attorney practicing in Homerville, Georgia, and their son, Jack Helms III, lives and works in Washington, D.C.

2025 CHILD FATALITY REVIEW ANNUAL REPORT FOR CLINCH COUNTY
Alapaha Judicial Circuit
(6/23/2026)

Calendar year ending: 12/31/2025

Number of child death reports received by committee from coroner/medical examiner on children under the age of eighteen (18) for the calendar year: one

Number of deaths eligible for review: one

Number of meetings held: one

Committee members in attendance: 8

Number of death reports reviewed by the Child Fatality Review subcommittee and reports submitted to the Office of the Child Fatality Review: one

Types of death(s) reviewed: Sudden Unexplained Infant Death (SUID)

Prevention efforts discussed: safe sleep protocols

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Project Overview:

The City of Homerville is seeking services for the following:
Side Walks
- Mow, weed eat, & edge all sidewalks & median (N. Church St, S. Church St, East & West Dame Ave, and East & West plant Ave.

Homerville Signs
- Mow and weed eat around the Welcome to Homerville signs on Hwy 84 (East and West ends)

Downtown
- Mow and weed eat around buildings and alleyways (between Church St and King St)
- Mow and weed eat around parking lot and buildings (between Church St and Smith St)

Macy Brance Park
- Mow and weed eat the park (between East and West Park St)
- The work will be contracted only for the summer months starting May 1st until September 30th.
- All bids must be turned in at City Hall by the close of business at 5:00pm on July 9, 2026. No bids will be accepted after this time.

For more information please contact Joseph Mizell at 912-520-8090.

Must be insured and licensed for approval on project.

Project Overview:

The City of Homerville is seeking services for the following: Pine Forest Cemetery
- Mow and weed eat
- Rake leaves into piles beside road to be picked up.
- The work will be contracted only for the summer months starting May 1st until September 30th.
- All bids must be turned in at City Hall by the close of business at 5:00pm on July 9, 2026. No bids will be accepted after this time.

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CLINCH COUNTY, GEORGIA
PROPOSED BUDGET 2026-2027

The Clinch County Board of Commission will hold a public hearing on July 21, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Office Board Room at the Board of Commissioners Office located at 22 Court Square, Suite B, Homerville, GA 31634. A copy of the complete budget is available for public review during regular business hours at the Commissioners Office. The adoption of the 2026-2027 Budget will be held on July 30, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Office Board Room.

REVENUES	GENERAL FUND	SPLOST FUND 2020	SPLOST FUND 2025	TSPLOST FUND	LMIG FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
TAXES	5,427,566.00		600,000.00	586,031.00		
LICENSES/PERMITS	13,000.00					
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	248,424.00				1,191,549.00	1,250.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICE	503,036.00					
FINES & FORFEITURES	228,205.00					48,460.00
INVESTMENT INCOME	152,700.00	1,000.00	500.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	130.00
MISCELLANEOUS	86,000.00					1,000.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	100,000.00	296,500.00		288,719.00	1,535,614.00	43,575.00
REVENUES TOTAL	**6,758,931.00**	**297,500.00**	**600,500.00**	**877,750.00**	**2,730,663.00**	**94,415.00**
EXPENSES						
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,523,589.00					
JUDICIAL	566,658.00					28,666.00
PUBLIC SAFETY	2,150,191.00	60,000.00				64,251.00
PUBLIC WORKS	964,096.00	237,500.00	293,504.00	877,750.00	2,730,663.00	1,250.00
HEALTH & WELFARE	98,818.00					
CULTURE/RECREATION	212,186.00					248.00
HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT	98,047.00					
INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXP	0.00		306,996.00			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	145,346.00					
EXPENSES TOTAL	**6,758,931.00**	**297,500.00**	**600,500.00**	**877,750.00**	**2,730,663.00**	**94,415.00**