

Minutes
Liberty County Board of Commissioners
January 21, 2021
Midmonth Meeting

1. The meeting was called order by Chairman Lovette with all commissioners in attendance except Commissioner Frasier.
2. The county administrator certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. Prayer was offered by Pastor Joseph Mosley followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The chairman recognized Chairman emeritus John McIver who was in attendance and welcomed him to the meeting.
5. Departmental reports are presented:

A. Ms. Kim McGlothlin presented the monthly report for December 2020. Miss McGlothlin noted those budgets which were currently exceeding projections and answered questions from the board. The chairman asked that Miss McGlothlin prepare a budget amendment associated with the elections division for Board consideration in March.

Commissioner Frasier joined the meeting.

B. Mr. Trent Long presented the monthly report of the engineering department and highlighted several projects currently underway. The board examined a site plan for fire and recreation improvements in the Miller Park area. Following some discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the site plan, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, with all commissioners voting in favor of the motion.

6. The board considered new business:

A. The County engineer presented bids received for improvements to Pioneer Road. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to award the bid to Sykes Brothers construction that a total cost of \$146,539.40 plus a 10% contingency, seconded by Commissioner Stevens and approved by all commissioners in attendance. Commissioner Frasier asked Mr. Long to please obtain any MWBE participation on the project from Sykes Brothers.

B. Lexington Kozak Bumgardner, a Liberty County 4-H program participant, appeared before the board to highlight specifics of Project Green Thumb. Ms. Bumgardner presented a handout to the commission and answered questions related to project implementation.

C. Ms. Linda Martin, chairperson of the Liberty County Board of Elections, appeared before the board to present statistics related to the last election cycle of 2020. Ms. Martin also addressed the board concerning the need for additional office space to accommodate staff and storage. Following some discussion the chairman asked that a committee be formed to look at expansion options.

D. The board considered a resolution associated with approval of a contract with the Georgia Department of Transportation associated with hanger improvements at Midcoast Regional Airport. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to accept the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved by all commissioners.

E. Administrative report was presented. The board was updated on various calendar events and construction projects underway.

7. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn the midmonth meeting, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all commissioners.

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SIGNED:

Donald L. Lovette, Chairman

Justin Frasier, Vice-Chairman

Marion Stevens, Sr., Commissioner

Connie Thrift, Commissioner

Maxie R. Jones, IV, Commissioner

Gary Gilliard, Commissioner

Eddie J. Walden, Commissioner

Attest:

Joseph W. Brown, County Administrator