

Minutes
Liberty County Board of commissioners
May 3, 2022
Regular Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lovette with all commissioners in attendance.
2. The Chairman certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. Pastor Richard Hayes offered the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The board reviewed the minutes of their April meetings. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
5. The board presented five and ten-year service awards to Liberty County employees.
6. The board adopted various proclamations, including EMS week, National Day of Prayer, and Law Enforcement Appreciation Week.
7. Departmental reports were presented:

A. Ms. Lori Moody presented the monthly report of the LCPC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to adjourn to a public hearing for a rezoning matter, seconded by Commissioner Stevens and approved unanimously.

The board considered rezoning petition 2022-029-LC, a petition by the LCPC to rezone 137.21 acres of land from B1 and A-1 to AR-1 along Lewis Frasier Road. Following the presentation of staff reports and questions from the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the rezoning, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to return to the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.

8. The board considered new business:

A. The board considered an intergovernmental agreement with the Public Facilities Authority associated with final rates with the Ameris Bank for the issuance of bonds related to various County projects. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to accept the intergovernmental agreement, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.

B. The board considered an agreement for relocation and exchange of right of way between the City of Midway, Liberty County, Northpointe Industrial 12 LLC, and Laurel View Properties. Following questions of the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved unanimously.

C. The board considered the contract renewal with Coastal Regional Commission associated with geospatial services. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.

D. The board received and reviewed a presentation associated with applications for ARPA funds by small businesses and nonprofits. Following questions from the board, a motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to accept the recommended disbursement schedule for these qualifying entities, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.

E. The board received an overview on the status of meetings with other governmental entities concerning potential items for the special-purpose local option sales tax referendum.

9.. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, and approved unanimously.

Liberty County Board of Commissioners

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