

Minutes
Liberty County Board of commissioners
July 21, 2022
Midmonth meeting

1. The meeting was opened by Chairman Lovette with commissioners Stevens, Frasier, Thrift, and Gilliard in attendance.

2. The Chairman certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.

3. Prayer was offered by Mr. Joseph Mosley followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. The board presented Fire Department Lifesaver Awards to Leaga Sua, Brian Patterson, and Ethan Patterson for their heroic acts on July 8, 2022.

5. Departmental reports were presented.

A. Ms. Kim McGlothlin presented the monthly finance report for the period ending May 2022.

B. Mr. Trent Long presented the monthly engineering report and answered questions from the board.

Commissioner Jones joined the meeting.

6. The board considered new business.

A. Ms. Tammy Mims, CEO for Liberty Regional Medical Center appeared before the board to present an update on challenges, improvements, and finance, of the facility.

Commissioner Walden joined the meeting by teleconference.

B. The board considered an intergovernmental agreement between Liberty County and its municipalities in conjunction with the proposed special purpose local option sales tax referendum in November. Following discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to approve the intergovernmental agreement, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, with all commissioners voting in favor of the motion except Commissioner Jones.

C. The board considered a resolution calling for a special election to be held on November 8 in association with renewal of the current special purpose local option sales tax program. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adopt the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.

D. The board considered proposals received the purchase of a fire truck for Liberty County fire services. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to award the proposal to Peach State at a cost of \$645,761, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.

E. The board considered renewal of a lease with Liberty Independent Troop Corporation. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to approve the lease, seconded by Commissioner Frasier, and approved unanimously.

F. The board considered an agreement with City of Hinesville to provide a certified pool operator for temporary operation of their new splash pad at Bradwell Park. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Walden was excused in the meeting.

G. The board considered designation of a member to serve as the voting delegate for the upcoming ACCG legislative conference. Commissioner Stevens volunteered to serve in this position.

7. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to adjourn to executive session for a land acquisition matter, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and approved by all commissioners in attendance.

8. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn executive session and return to regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all commissioners in attendance.

9. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all commissioners in attendance.

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