

Minutes  
Liberty County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
August 1, 2023

1. The meeting was opened by Chairman Lovette with all commissioners present except Commissioner Jones.
2. The Chairman certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. Prayer was offered by Rev. Joseph Mosley followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The Board recognized retired Judge Melinda Anderson and congratulated her on her 40 years of service with Liberty County.
5. The Board considered the minutes of their July meetings. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, to approve the minutes subject to a change reflecting Commissioner Gilliard's attendance via phone with all commissioners present voting in favor.
6. The L.C.P.C. report was presented by Jeff Ricketson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, to adjourn to public hearing for rezoning purposes with all commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

- a. The board considered rezoning petition 2023-041-LC as submitted by Chester Barrett to rezone 71.89 acres from A-1 and AR-1 to MHP on property located at 240 CL Barrett Drive. Following the presentation of staff reports, the Chairman inquired of anyone who wanted to speak on the matter. Hearing none, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request subject to standard conditions, seconded by Commissioner Thrift and approved by all commissioners in attendance.
- b. The board considered conditional use request 2023-044-LC as submitted by Daybreak Industrial to operate a borrow pit on Smiley Hall Road. Following the presentation of staff reports the Chairman inquired of anyone wishing to speak on the matter. Hearing none, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request with standard conditions, seconded by Commissioner Walden and approved by all commissioners in attendance.
- c. The board considered rezoning petition 2023-045-LC as submitted by Jane Henry to rezone 0.5 acres from A-1 to R-12 located on Van Dyke Creek Road and Old Gun Road. Following the presentation of staff reports the Chairman inquired of anyone wishing to speak on the matter. Hearing none, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request subject to standard conditions, seconded by Commissioner Frasier and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
- d. The board considered rezoning request 2023-046-LC as submitted by Hook and Reel to rezone 2.47 acres from SFMH to C-2 located at 685 Kings Road. Following staff reports the Chairman inquired of anyone wishing to speak on the matter. Hearing none, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request subject to standard conditions, seconded by Commissioner Thrift and approved by all commissioners present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to adjourn public hearing and return to regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Frasier, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.

7. The Board considered new business:
  - a. Representative Al Williams addressed the Board on certain historical matters.
  - b. The Board considered proposals received for construction of a facility for public works. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to award the proposal to Pope

Construction at a cost of \$6,334,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, with all commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

- c. The Board considered adoption of a Resolution approving a contract with the Liberty County Facilities Authority to issue bonds for construction of the public works facility. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to approve the Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all commissioners in attendance.
  - d. The Board considered a budget amendment for Juvenile Court associated with a staff attorney. Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to table the matter, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all members in attendance.
  - e. The Board received several administrative updates.
8. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved by all members in attendance.

Liberty County Board of Commissioners

SIGNED:

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Donald L. Lovette, Chairman

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Connie Thrift, Vice-Chairman

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Marion Stevens, Sr., Commissioner

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Justin Frasier, Commissioner

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Maxie R. Jones, IV, Commissioner

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Gary Gilliard, Commissioner

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Eddie J. Walden, Commissioner

Attest:

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Joseph W. Brown, County Administrator