

MINUTES  
Liberty County Board of Commissioners  
Midmonth Meeting  
February 21, 2019

1. The meeting was opened by Chairman Lovette with all Commissioners in attendance except Commissioner Frazier.
2. The County Administrator certified compliance the Georgia Open Meetings Act
3. Prayer was offered by Commissioner Stevens followed by the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Departmental reports were presented:
  - a. Trent Long presented the monthly report of the County Engineer's department and highlighted several projects underway. Commissioner Gilliard asked that the Holmestown Park grading project be placed on the monthly report going forward.
5. The Board considered new business:
  - a. The Board considered an amendment to a lease agreement at 205 East Court St. with the Liberty County Re-entry Coalition. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to accept the amendment, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
  - b. The Board considered a resolution endorsing proposed local legislation abolishing the Joint Liberty County, City of Gum Branch, City of Midway, City of Riceboro, City of Walthourville, Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment Authority. County Attorney, Mr. Kelly Davis highlighted specifics of the resolution and answered questions from the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to adopt the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance. Chairman Lovette asked that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the respective cities for informational purposes.
  - c. The Board reviewed a draft of a proposed ordinance governing solar energy systems. Mr. Kelly Davis highlighted specifics of the ordinance for the Board and answered questions related to decommissioning of sites within Liberty County. The Board authorized the ordinance to be forwarded to the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission for action and return to the commission.
  - d. The Board discussed specifics related to an ordinance revision for water resource delivery on the County water system. The County attorney advised the Commission that he was continuing to research the matter and anticipated a recommendation to the board during their March meeting.
  - e. The Board considered a change in ownership on an alcohol license related to 7175 East Oglethorpe Hwy. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the license change, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
6. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and land acquisition matters, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
7. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn executive session and return to regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
8. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.

SIGNED:

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Donald L. Lovette, Chairman

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Marion Stevens, Sr., Vice Chairman

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Justin L. Frasier, Commissioner

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Connie Thrift, Commissioner

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Pat Bowen, 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