

MINUTES
Liberty County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 8, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lovette with all Commissioners in attendance.
2. The County Administrator certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. Commissioner Gilliard requested that the meeting agenda be amended to include a personnel session. All Board members agreed with this amendment.
4. Commission Thrift offered the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. The Board considered minutes from their December meetings. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
 - (a) The Board considered budget amendment 2019-03. Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Kim McGlothlin highlighted aspects of the proposed amendment for the Board. Following some discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Walden, to table the matter until the midmonth meeting, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
 - (b) Mr. Alan Seifert presented the monthly report for the LCPC.
 - (1) The Board considered home occupation request number 2018 – 056 – LC, a request by Bradley Mollman to operate a firearms restoration and transfer business out of his home at 87 Goodman Dr. located on parcel 3661B – 018. Following the presentation of staff reports and questions from the Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Walden, and approved unanimously.
 - (2) The Board considered special exception request number 2018 – 054-LC, a request by Lisa and Kenneth Smith for a variance of a 300 foot separation between animal or fowl enclosure within a county subdivision. The property is located on parcel 241B – 014. Following the presentation of staff reports and questions from the Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, and approved unanimously.
6. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to adjourn to executive session to discuss land and personnel matters, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, and approved unanimously.
7. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to adjourn executive session, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved all Commissioners in attendance.
8. A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier, to return to regular session, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.
9. The Board considered a lease agreement with the Eastern District Fire Rescue. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to approve the lease, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, with Commissioners Walden, Gilliard, Thrift, Stevens, Lovette, and Frasier voting in favor of the motion; Commissioner Bowen opposed.
10. The Board considered the appointment of a Chairman for the Liberty County Board of Elections. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to reappoint Ms. Linda Martin, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
11. The administrative report was presented. The administrator brought to the Board's attention the need to amend action taken concerning County property ownership related to certain roads in the Sunbury area. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to amend earlier action concerning correspondence associated with non-ownership of Maxwell Street and to instead insert Screven Street, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard and approved unanimously.
12. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, with all Commissioners voting in favor of the motion.

SIGNED:

Donald L. Lovette, Chairman

Marion Stevens, Sr., Commissioner

Justin L. Frasier, Commissioner

Connie Thrift, Commissioner

Pat Bowen, Commissioner

Gary Gilliard, Commissioner

Eddie J. Walden, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Brown
County Administrator