

MINUTES
Liberty County Board of Commissioners
May 16, 2019
Midmonth Meeting

1. The meeting was opened by Chairman Lovette with Commissioners Gilliard, Thrift, Frasier and Stevens in attendance.
2. The County Administrator certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. The prayer was offered by Commissioner Thrift followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Departmental reports are presented:
 - A. The finance report was presented by Ms. Kim McGlothlin. Ms. McGlothlin updated the Board on closing figures associated with the months of March and April and answered questions from the Board.
 - B. Mr. Trent Long presented the monthly engineering report and discussed the status of various projects underway including Interstate Paper Road repair, various overlay projects, and Melvin Lane.
5. The Board considered New Business:
 - A. The Board considered bids received for Summer Food Services. Mr. Bob Sprinkle informed the Board that only one bid had been received which exceeded the normal capacity for provision of the services. Mr. Sprinkle presented a list of proposed sites associated with the service and advised the Board that if these sites were used, the bidder would be able to furnish the services within budgetary allowances. A motion was made by Commissioner Thrift to award the bid to Coastal Georgia Community Action Authority at a cost \$3.25 per meal, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.
 - B. The Board considered a resolution in support of requesting that offshore seismic testing not occur along the eastern US seaboard. Mr. Phil Odom appeared before the Board to highlight specifics associated with the negative impacts of these potential tests. The Board thanked Mr. Odom for his report and advised that they would take the matter under consideration for their June meeting.
 - C. The Board considered appointments to various Boards and Committees:
 1. CRCC – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to reappoint Shirley Frasier and Richard Hayes with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 2. CADD – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to reappoint James Rogers with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 3. Cultural & Historic Committee - a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to reappoint Phil Odom, Luciria Lovette, Michelle Ricketson, Jeffrey Porter, Natalie Hines and Renee Reese with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 4. DBHDD – No applications received.
 5. DFCS – No applications received.
 6. Elections & Registration – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to appoint Vickie Cook with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 7. Georgia Forestry – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to appoint Jeffery Mobley with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 8. Library Board – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to reappoint Kathryn Walden with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 9. Public Facilities Authority – a motion was made by Commissioner Thrift, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to reappoint Paul Johnson with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.
 10. Recreation Board – The Board postponed the appointment.
 - D. The administrative report was presented which included an update on the status of fire

station design, Head Start block grant, health insurance changes, replacement of roofs at recreation facilities, TSPLOST/e-commerce referendum dates, and lifeguards for readiness of pools.

6. A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, 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 Thrift, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.

8. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved by all Commissioners in attendance.

SIGNED:

Donald L. Lovette, Chairman

Marion Stevens, Sr., Vice Chairman

Justin L. Frasier, Commissioner

Connie Thrift, Commissioner

Pat Bowen, Commissioner

Gary Gilliard, Commissioner

Eddie J. Walden, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Brown
County Administrator