

MINUTES
Liberty County Board of Commissioners
July 18, 2019
Mid-month Meeting

1. The meeting was opened by Chairman Lovette with all Commissioners in attendance.
2. The Chairman certified compliance with the Georgia open meetings act.
3. The County Administrator offered the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. The Board considered a proclamation recognizing CASA on their 20th anniversary. Ms. Petula Gomillion appeared before the Board to recognize CASA members in attendance and gave a brief overview of CASA and their functions.
5. The Board recognized Mr. Corey Davis, representing the city Riceboro youth program, who recognized several youths in attendance and work that had been accomplished through the program.
6. Departmental reports are presented:
 - A. Mr. Trent Long presented the monthly engineering report and highlighted current activities underway. Mr. Long reviewed with the Board a request from the City of Midway concerning the addition of Clancy Lane to the maintenance agreement between the City and County. Following discussion and review of current roadway particulars, Mr. Long was asked to communicate to the City of Midway certain items that would need to be addressed prior to approval by the County.
7. New Business was considered:
 - A. Mr. Al Williams appeared before the Board to present a request for placement of a Memorial at the Liberty County Historic Courthouse in honor of Mr. Ralph Waldo Quarterman. Mr. Williams highlighted achievements of Mr. Quarterman for the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Bowen to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
 - B. Ms. Leah Poole, Executive Director of the Liberty County Convention and Visitors Bureau, appeared before the Board to present the annual report.
 - C. The County Administrator presented a presentation concerning the transportation special-purpose local option sales tax.
 - D. The Board reviewed previously approved guidelines for disbursement of the special-purpose local option sales tax historic cultural funds. Following discussion, the Board authorized release of applications for these funds.
 - E. The Board considered extension of a lease agreement with Liberty Independent Troop. A motion was made by Commissioner Walden to approve the lease for one year., seconded by Commissioner Frasier, and approved unanimously.
 - F. The Board considered amendments to certain sections of the Solid Waste Ordinance pertaining to the elimination of the word "authority". A motion was made by Commissioner Frasier to approve the changes, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, and approved unanimously.
8. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn to executive session for personnel matter, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
9. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to return to regular session, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.
10. A motion was made by Commissioner Gilliard to adjourn regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Thrift, and approved unanimously.

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