

Summary Minutes  
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
225 North Board Street  
June 23, 2020

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners met on the above date in a regular scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Courthouse, Commission Chambers, with the following board members present:

Phillip V. Brown, Chairman, Dist. 7	Wiley E. Grady, Vice-Chair, Dist. 6
Rev. Jeremy G. Rich, Dist. 1	Moses Gross, Dist. 2
Kenneth E. Hickey, District 3	Mark NeSmith, Dist. 4 (absent)
Donnie L. Baggett, Dist. 5	Zippy T. Vonier, Dist. 8

Staff present: County Manager Michael J. Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, Planning Director Ken Gay, Zoning Administrator Donna Holbert and County Clerk Celeste Tyler.

Chairman Brown opened the meeting and Commissioner Jeremy Rich gave the invocation.

- Approved minutes from the June 9, 2020 meeting
- Declared Public Hearing and reviewed application 20-4-1 (Applicant: Verizon Wireless, represented by Andy Rotonstreich of 420 20<sup>th</sup> St. N. Suite 1400 Birmingham, Alabama) requesting the installation of a mono pole telecommunications tower on Smith Road
- Public Hearing Citizen Comments: recognized Cheryl Robison of 1387 Smith Road, Ochlocknee, Georgia who spoke against the installation of the cell tower citing concerns with radiation exposure, negative effects on agriculture, and unsightliness
- Closed Public Hearing
- Approved Application 20-4-1
- Declared Public Hearing and reviewed application 20-4-2 (Applicant Apache Holdings, LLC, represented by Managing Member William Blackburn of 809 South Broad St. Thomasville, Georgia) requesting land use reclassification from CG (Commercial General) to RM-11 (Residential, Multiple Family) to allow for the development of an apartment complex/approximately 200 units on property located on Constitution Avenue Map 46F, Parcel 83
- Public Hearing Citizen Comments: recognized Larry Evans of 214 Huntington Point Dr., Thomasville, Georgia and President of the Huntington Pointe Homeowners Association, Inc. who expressed concerns of the proposed project and would like conditions addressed. They include security, safety of intersections and the environmental impact of Lake Lilliquin.
- Closed Public Hearing
- Voted to table Application 20-4-2 until the July 28, 2020 Board of Commissioners' Meeting
- Presented the Scott Senior Center Action Summary
- Adopted Internet Surplus Property Sales Policy and authorized Chairman to sign Resolution
- Approved format for Surplus Auction
- Announced Personnel Committee Meeting will be held on June 24, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.
- Announced Public Property Committee Meeting will be held on July 2, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.
- Announced Purchasing Committee Meeting will be held on July 7, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

- Announced Public Works Committee Meeting will be held on July 15, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.
- Entered into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m.
- Re-entered Regular Session at 7:22 p.m.
- Authorized County Attorney to prepare paperwork for easement abandonment as requested by Dollar General on Jackson Street 319 South
- Authorized County Attorney to prepare paperwork to deed property at State Route 35/US Route 319 (West Thomasville Bypass) and extending northeasterly along State Route 35 Business/US Route 319 Business to it junction with State Routes 3/38/300 (Approximately 4.35 miles) to the City of Thomasville

Adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.