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**DOT Offers \$ 3.0 million for Pinetree Boulevard projects**

**Thomasville, Georgia, 10 August 2017** --- County Manager Mike Stephenson reported to the County Commissioners today that the Georgia Department of Transportation has offered \$3.0 million for road improvement projects on Pinetree Boulevard. Terry L. Gable, Local Projects Administrator for the DOT informed the County Manager of the grant offer. In order to secure the grant, the DOT must receive a confirmation letter from local officials within two weeks.

As requested by DOT, the confirmation letter will include the following information:

1. The section of Pinetree Boulevard designated for the project
2. The project schedule: starting and ending date
3. The entity that will oversee the project: City or County
4. Assurance that the City and County agree on the project

Chairman Ken Hickey called an emergency meeting of the Board for today, to formally announce the grant offer and to begin discussions in preparation for submitting a confirmation letter to the DOT. "We started this process back in February when we met in Atlanta with DOT Planning Director Jay Roberts. Since then our legislators have worked overtime for us to make this happen", noted Hickey. The February meeting with DOT was attended by Senator Dean Burke, Senator Ellis Black, Representative Amy Carter, Representative Darlene Taylor and Representative Sam Watson.

The special called meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. today, in the Commission Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Historic Thomas County Courthouse.

For more questions, please call Mike Stephenson at 225-4100.