

Summary Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
January 14, 2020

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners met on the above date in a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Historic Courthouse, Commission Chambers, with the following board members present:

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

Staff present: County Manager Michael J. Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, Purchasing Agent Alicia Wiese, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler.

Others present: Patti Dozier, Thomasville Times Enterprise and Chris Hurst, WPAX radio

Chairman Grady opened the meeting and Dr. Bennie E. Calloway III of New Jerusalem MB Church gave the invocation.

- Approved minutes from the December 10, 2019 meeting
- Elected Commissioner Phillip V. Brown as 2020 Chairman of the Board
- Elected Commissioner Wiley E. Grady as 2020 Vice-Chairman of the Board
- Appointed Bruce Warren as 2020 County Attorney
- Ratified MOU between Payroll Development Authority and Check-Mate Manufacturing
- Ratified Lease Agreement between Thomas County Board of Commissioners and Gerald Pryor for property at 1402 E. Jackson Street, Thomasville, GA
- Ratified deed of Springhill Property (319 South – Williams Parker property)
- Approved 2020 Circuit Public Defender contract
- Set 2020 Qualifying Fees
- Approved 2018 Emergency Medical Services Write-offs
- Re-appointed Commissioner Donnie Baggett, Elaine Mays, and Al Bryan to the Southwest GA Regional Commission
- Re-appointed Terry Hurst and Commissioner Wiley Grady to the Recreation Advisory Board
- Re-appointed Kaye Davis to the Planning & Land Use Standards Commission
- Open Meeting: recognized Elaine Mays of 341 Mystic Pines Dr., Thomasville, GA who commended the efforts of those who worked on substantially lowering the EMS write-offs
- Open Meeting: recognized Dr. Chip Bragg of 10350 Springhill Rd., Thomasville, GA and Cynthia Ebben of 10369 Springdale Rd. who expressed concerns over the proposed site of a new Emergency Medical facility; At the end of the meeting, Mrs. Ebben also asked the Board of Commissioners to consider a different location for the facility.
- Open Meeting: recognized Lucinda Brown of 103 Halcyon Way, Thomasville, GA; Morris Arrington of 208 Woods Gate Lane, Thomasville, GA, and Gloria Glass of 225 Pig Sauls Rd., Boston, GA who expressed concerns over the proposed changes to polling places

- Open Meeting: recognized Linda Solana of 158 Stone Bridge Dr., Thomasville, GA who introduced herself as the Chair of the Elections and Registration Board and shared her plans to meet with the School Superintendent this week
- Site plan for Springhill Rd. property to be presented by staff at the February 6, 2020 Public Property Meeting
- Ratified the purchase of fuel, Petroleum Products \$1.7620/gal, approved on 12/11/19
- Ratified the purchase of diesel, Petroleum Products \$2.0554/gal, approved on 12/18/19
- Ratified the purchase from Stallings Motors: one $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup and one $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickup for Public Works; one $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickup for Facilities Management; one $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickup Quad Cab for Building Inspections; one $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup for Fire Department; one 2020 Dodge Ram SSV for Sheriff's Department; two $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickups for Tax Assessor
- Ratified bid for Fiber Optic Installation
- Ratified bid awards for Ranges at Oakfield: Downspouts & Gutters (J & J Seamless), Digital Target System Installation (Kongsberg Target System); Precast Concrete Benches (Vaughn Concrete Products), and Video Camera System Installation (S & L Integrated Systems)
- Ratified purchase of three $\frac{3}{4}$ ton trucks totaling \$93,000 from Stallings Motors

Adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.