

Action Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Broad St
July 28, 2026

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:

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

Staff Present: County Manager Mike Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, County Clerk Tracy Dukes, Purchasing Agent Nisha Thurman

Chairman NeSmith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and offered the invocation.

- Approved minutes of the July 1, 2026, Board of Commissioners Special Called Meeting
- Approved minutes of the July 14, 2026, Board of Commissioners Meeting
- Approved July 28, 2026, Agenda
- Open Meeting to Citizens: Pat Powers, 110 Lake Point Lane, Thomasville, GA 31757, a resident of the Lake Riverside neighborhood, voiced concerns regarding an ongoing property nuisance and requested the Board's assistance in addressing the matter. Caroline Hicks, 13706 Hwy 319 N., Thomasville, GA 31792. Ms. Hicks inquired regarding the 12-month moratorium on data centers and asked whether the Board intends to hold public meetings prior to the expiration of the moratorium.
- Announced Public Property Meeting August 5, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.
- Ratified the purchase of regular gasoline for \$3.41/gallon and diesel fuel for \$3.98/gallon on July 14, 2026.
- Ratified the authorization to declare surplus and sell on GovDeals online auction
- Ratified the authorization for the Chairman to sign a letter of support for Revashay Ministries Georgia ReHoused Grant application
- Ratified the authorization to proceed with Grady EMC Grant, reimbursement application for \$4982.44
- Adjourned at 6:16 p.m.