

Minutes  
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
225 North Board Street  
August 10, 2021

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:

<b>Phillip V. Brown, Chairman, Dist. 7</b> (absent)	<b>Wiley E. Grady, Vice-Chair, Dist. 6</b>
Rev. Jeremy G. Rich, Dist. 1 (absent)	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 was County Manager Michael J. Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, Zoning Administrator Donna Holbert, Public Works Project Superintendent Jay Knight, Sheriff Carlton Powell, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler.

News/Media present: Pat Donahue, Thomasville Times Enterprise; Chris Hurst WPAX

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order, and Commissioner NeSmith gave the invocation.

Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2021 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Baggett who made a motion to approve the name change on the business license for Bryan McKenzie, dba Fratellis, LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grady. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Hickey who made a motion to re-appoint Kenneth Manwaring to the Thomas County Department of Family and Children Services Board and appoint Judy Ament to the Thomas County Public Library Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye. The Board appointment terms are 5 years and 3 years, respectively.

### **County Manager's Report**

County Manager Stephenson recognized Zoning Administrator Donna Holbert who introduced application #21-8-1 from Nathan Outlaw, agent for property owner, Sunburst, Inc., to rezone property located on Brentwood Drive which is located on Thomas County Map 45, Parcels 236 and 204, consisting of 52.33 acres, more or less from Ag and R-1 to R-4 (Single Family Residential) to allow for the development of a single-family residential subdivision with approximately 60 homes. The Public Hearing for the application will be held on August 24, 2021

### **Committee Reports**

Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Vonier who made a motion to ratify the purchase of diesel fuel from Petroleum Products for \$2.1590/gal on August 5, 2021. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye.

Commissioner Vonier made a motion to ratify the approval to purchase a Video Recording Server from Focus Communication (\$24,705.10) for the Sheriff's Office/Jail. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved (6-0-1) with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye and Commissioner Grady abstaining due to family relationship.

Commissioner Vonier made a motion to ratify the bid award to Breedlove Land and Planning (\$35,000) for engineering the archery and trails grant at the Ranges at Oakfield. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hickey. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye.

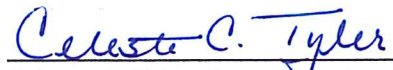
Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to ratify the decision to move forward with dismantling the old hay barn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baggett. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye.

The upcoming committee meetings were announced. The Emergency Services Committee will meet at the Historic Courthouse on August 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. The Public Works Committee will meet at the Historic Courthouse on August 18, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Brown recognized Commissioner Baggett who made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grady. The motion was approved unanimously with Chairman Brown and Commissioners Baggett, Grady, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, and Vonier voting aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

  
Phillip V. Brown, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Celeste C. Tyler, County Clerk