

Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
May 28, 2024

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:

Wiley Grady, Chairman District 6

Rev. Jeremy G. Rich, District 1

Kenneth E. Hickey, District 3

Phillip V. Brown, District 7

Donnie L. Baggett, Vice-Chair District 5

Moses Gross, District 2

Mark NeSmith, District 4

Zippy T. Vonier, District 8

Staff present was County Manager Michael J. Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, Planning Director Ken Gay, Sheriff Carlton Powell, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler.

News/Media present: Kevin Hall, Thomasville Times Enterprise

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

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Baggett who made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 Board Meeting. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Hickey who made a motion to approve the agenda for the May 28, 2024 Board Meeting. Commissioner Vonier seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady announced that rezoning application 24-5-1 has been withdrawn, and therefore, there will not be a Public Hearing.

Reports – Chairman Grady recognized County Manager Stephenson who stated that the 2023 draft Audit Report was received today. He added that he will get with Commissioner Mark NeSmith, Chairman of the Finance Committee and schedule a meeting to review the audit in the very near future.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Vonier who in turn asked the County Clerk to present contract renewal information for debris monitoring and removal. County Clerk Celeste Tyler stated that in 2020 the County entered into a four- year contract with Thompson Consulting Services for debris monitoring and Crowder Gulf and Ameri-Green Environmental Recycling for debris removal and disposal services. All contracts stated eligibility for two additional 12-month contract periods if agreed upon by both parties. She reported that Emergency Services and Public Works along with the vendors are in favor of the contract extension.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Vonier who made a motion to approve the contract extension for one year with Thompson Consulting Services for debris monitoring, and Crowder Gulf and Ameri-

Green Environmental Recycling for debris removal and disposal services. Commissioner Baggett second the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, Rich, and Vonier voting aye.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Baggett who announced that the next Public Property Committee meeting will be held Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Rich who announced the Purchasing Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2024 is postponed.

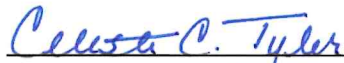
Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Hickey who acknowledged Mr. Paul Fryer, the Field Representative for Congressman Sanford Bishop and thanked him for his attendance tonight.

Chairman Grady recognized Commissioner Rich who made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Baggett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Chairman Grady, Commissioners Baggett, Brown, Gross, Hickey, NeSmith, Rich, and Vonier voting aye. The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.



Wiley Grady, Chairman

ATTEST:



Celeste C. Tyler, County Clerk