

Summary Minutes  
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
225 North Board Street  
October 10, 2023

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:

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

Staff present: County Manager Mike Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler

Media present: Jill Holloway, Thomasville Times Enterprise  
Chris Hurst, WPAX Radio

Others present: Todd Milam, Georgia Forestry Commission  
Dan Mays, Chris Marsh, and Nate Tyler, Fountain of Life Rescue

Chairman Vonier opened the meeting, and Fr. Will Brown from All Saints Episcopal Church gave the invocation.

- Approved minutes from the September 26, 2023 meeting
- Approved the October 10, 2023 agenda
- Received the Annual Report for Thomas County Georgia Forestry Commission from Todd Milam
- Received an annual update from the Fountain of Life Rescue and a request for financial contribution for 2024
- Open Meeting to the Citizens: Chairman Vonier recognized Shirley Jackson of 727 Crowley Road, Thomasville, Georgia who asked the Commissioners to consider the housing need in Thomasville and Thomas County and the development of that thereof
- Adopted Resolution supporting efforts to reform and improve mental health services
- Adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.