

Summary Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
July 11, 2023

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners met on the above date in a regular scheduled meeting at 9:00 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

Staff present: County Manager Michael J. Stephenson, County Attorney Bruce Warren, Planning Director Ken Gay, Zoning Administrator Donna Holbert, Public Works Director Tony Bodiford, Sheriff Carlton Powell, and County Clerk Celeste Tyler

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

Others present: Bro. Bill Knight, Pastor at El Bethel Baptist Church
Atty. George Lilly, Alexander & Vann

Chairman Vonier opened the meeting, and Bro. Bill Knight gave the invocation.

- Approved minutes from the June 27, 2023 meeting
- Approved the July 11, 2023 Agenda
- Approved the MOU agreement between Thomas County and John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital regarding the Hospital's commitment to provide care to the indigent, uninsured, and underinsured
- Open Meeting to the Citizens: Chairman Vonier recognized Candee Henderson of 1453 Egg & Butter Road South, Thomasville, Georgia who spoke on her mission of 100% renewable energy for Thomas County by 2035. She also encouraged the conversion of the County's fleet to electric.
- Introduced rezoning application #23-7-1 by Joe Harvard, Sr., who is the agent for the property owners, Rosemary Coleman and Polly Hopkins. This property is located on Hall Road (Corner of Hall Road and the Bypass) and is located on Thomas County Map 045, Parcel 146 consisting of 20 acres, more or less. The request is to rezone this parcel from Ag (Agricultural) and R-2 (Single Family Residential) to R-4 (Single Family Residential) to allow for the development of a residential subdivision for approximately 50 lots.
- Discussed ACCG – IRMA Premiums versus Claims Paid from 1999 - 2022
- Ratified purchase of diesel fuel from Petroleum Products for \$2.4809/gal on June 29, 2023
- Awarded six-month bid for Woven Geotextiles to Willacoochee Industrial Fabrics
- Awarded six-month bid for Aggregate Rock to Martin Marietta
- Awarded six-month bid for Hydroseeding Materials to Pennington Seed
- Awarded bid for Forestry Consultant Services to South Georgia Forest Management, LLC
- Approved recommendation to purchase security cameras for all 8 trash sites
- Declared warden's house surplus and authorized the sale of the home
- Announced the Public Works Committee Meeting will be held on July 19, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.
- Announced the Emergency Services Committee Meeting will be held on July 17, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.
- Adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.