Action Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Broad St, Thomasville, GA 31792
October 27, 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 Absent	Zippy Vonier, District 8
Phillip V. Brown, District 7	

Staff Present: County Manager Shawn Boatright, County Attorney Bruce Warren, County Clerk Tracy Dukes, Purchasing Agent/Deputy Clerk Nisha Thurman, Public Works Director Jay Knight, Planning Director Ken Gay, Zoning Administrator Donna Holbert, Insurance/Benefits Jessie Winkleman

Media Present: Jill Holloway, Thomasville Times Enterprise

Others Present: Taylor Benefits John Taylor and Brittany Stanaland

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

- Approved Minutes of the October 13, 2026, Board of Commissioners Meeting
- Approved October 27, 2026, Agenda
- Open Meeting to Citizens: Recognized Candee Henderson of 1453 Egg & Butter Road S., Thomasville, Ga who requested consideration of a recycling program in Thomas County jointly with the City of Thomasville.
- Commissioner Rich read Thomas County Proclamation recognizing Retired Educators Day
- Public Hearing: Introduced Rezoning application 26-10-01: Brook J. Parrish, property owner, has applied for a conditional use zoning for property located at 14768 Ga. Hwy. 122 E. , located on Thomas County Map 003, Parcel 087B consisting of 12.28 acres, more or less. The request is for a conditional use to allow for the use of a petting farm. If approved, the property will be classified as Ag C.U. (Agricultural, Conditional Use, Petting Farm).
- Approved rezoning application 26-10-01
- Approved Final Plat for Jordan Oaks Subdivision, Phase 3
- Reviewed annual Health Plan Cost Summary with Taylor Benefit Resource
- Approved annual renewal Health Plan with Taylor Benefit Resource
- Approved one-day special event permit for Hands & Hearts for Horses Fundraiser on November 14, 2026
- Ratified purchase of diesel fuel from Petroleum Products for $5.16/gallon
- Ratified purchase of unleaded fuel from Petroleum Products for $3.66/gallon
- Adjourned at 6:47 p.m.