



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

T. PAGE THARP GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING
102 STARKSVILLE AVENUE NORTH, LEESBURG, GEORGIA 31763

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022 AT 6:00 PM
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OPAL CANNON AUDITORIUM
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MEETING MINUTES
VOTING SESSION

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Billy Mathis, Chairman	District 3
John Wheaton, Vice-Chairman	District 1
Luke Singletary, Commissioner	District 2
Rick Muggridge, Commissioner	District 4
George Walls, Commissioner	District 5

COUNTY STAFF

Christi Dockery, County Manager
Kaitlyn Sawyer, County Clerk
Jimmy Skipper, County Attorney

The Lee County Board of Commissioners met in a voting session on Tuesday, March 22, 2022. The meeting was held in the Opal Cannon Auditorium of the Lee County T. Page Tharp Governmental Building in Leesburg, Georgia. Those present were Chairman Billy Mathis, Vice-Chairman John Wheaton, Commissioner Luke Singletary, Commissioner Rick Muggridge, and Commissioner George Walls. Staff in attendance was County Manager Christi Dockery, County Clerk Kaitlyn Sawyer, and County Attorney Jimmy Skipper. The meeting was also streamed on Facebook Live.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Rick Muggridge led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and the audience said the Pledge of Allegiance in unison.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- (A) **Consideration to approve the minutes for the Board of Commissioners meeting for March 8, 2022.**
Commissioner Wheaton made the **MOTION** to approve the minutes for the Board of Commissioners meeting for March 8, 2022. Commissioner Walls seconded the **MOTION**. The **MOTION** was unanimous with Commissioner Singletary and Commissioner Muggridge voting yea.

CONSENT AGENDA

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

- (A) **Recognition of employees' years of service.**
The following employees were recognized:
5 years – Jason Stewart – Firefighter
5 years – Jared Farr – Firefighter/EMT-B
5 years – Stephen Cannady – Firefighter/EMT-A
10 years – Alan McDonald – Captain, Firefighter/Paramedic
15 years – Clinton Hickman – Lieutenant, EMT-I
15 years – David Knight – Lieutenant, EMT-B

PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

NONE

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES

NONE

COUNTY MANAGER'S MATTERS

(A) Updates on County projects.

County Manager Christi Dockery discussed ongoing projects in the County: (1) The Grand Island grading project is underway and Oxford is working to make the deadline of June; and (2) we have been speaking to representatives with Georgia Power about their county government EV program and potentially placing more EV chargers around the County, such as the Governmental Building on Main Street, located across from the courthouse.

(B) Consideration to declare vehicles and equipment surplus.

Commissioner Muggridge made the **MOTION** to declare the following vehicle and equipment surplus to be sold on GovDeals: 2012 FORD F150 – VIN 7819 and a 2001 HONDA ATV – Model 358 – SN 0FM1. Commissioner Wheaton seconded the **MOTION**. The **MOTION** was unanimous with Commissioner Singletary and Commissioner Walls voting yea.

(C) Consideration to approve the Sutton's Landing Boat Dock project.

County Manager Christi Dockery summarized the project, stating that Georgia Power will be lowering the water this fall, which would be a perfect time to work on a dock at the property. A dock would encourage fishing. There are no issues with EPD. Commissioner Walls asked if this would be a DNR project, to which Ms. Dockery replied that it would not, that this project would be funded by SPLOST VII funds. Chairman Mathis suggested that the 100 acres property also be looked at for a potential dock as well.

Commissioner Muggridge made the **MOTION** to approve the Sutton's Landing Boat Dock project, including the presented quote from Matt Inman for \$7,950.00 for the professional engineering and surveying services for the project. Commissioner Singletary seconded the **MOTION**. The **MOTION** was unanimous with Commissioner Wheaton and Commissioner Walls voting yea.

COMMISSIONER'S MATTERS

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS

NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens will be allowed to address the Board of Commissioners regarding any issues or complaints. Individuals should sign up prior to the start of the meeting.

Sam Johnson- Old Leslie Road- Concerns over road conditions, potential for paving, and ditch work

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (A) This year's **Annual Great American Cleanup, Amnesty Day at the Landfill, and Prescription Drug Take Back event** will be held **Saturday, April 9, 2022** beginning at 9:00am and ending at 4:00pm.

(B) The next regularly scheduled County Commission Meeting is **Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:00pm.**

(C) The offices of the Lee County Board of Commissioners will be **closed Friday, April 15, 2022** in recognition of Good Friday.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:10PM.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
COUNTY CLERK

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