

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
WORK SESSION
Monday, February 24, 2020

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Demarcus Marshall
Commissioner Joyce E. Evans
Commissioner Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker
Commissioner Clay Griner

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session and regular session of February 10, 2020. No changes to the minutes were requested.

PUBLIC HEARING

Rezoning Case REZ-2020-01 Nancy G. Hobby, 2626 Loch Laurel Rd. R-1 to E-A, Well & Septic, ~10.0 acres (Districts 3 and 5)

Planning Representative, Molly Stevenson, presented the item. Mrs. Stevenson stated the applicant would like to preserve the property as farmland. Mrs. Stevenson further stated the Planning Commission recommended approval, adding there were no objectionable comments from the TRC.

Rezoning Case REZ-2020-02 SKT Investments, LLC, Lester Rd. E-A to R-A, Well & Septic, ~10.55 acres (Districts 3 and 5)

Planning Representative, Molly Stevenson, presented the item. Mrs. Stevenson stated the applicant would like to rezone so that the property can be subdivided to provide for up to eight single family dwellings on the property. Mrs. Stevenson further stated the Planning Commission recommended approval, adding the TRC had no objectionable comments. Mrs. Stevenson also commented that the Health Department stressed that any required wells and septic tanks will be subject to Health Department standards.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Microsoft Server 2019 Datacenter License

ITS Director, Aaron Kostyu, presented a request in the amount of \$24,613.44, to purchase a Microsoft 2019 Datacenter license to replace the end-of-life versions currently in the data center.

Request to Accept Hamm Estates Dr. into the County Road Inventory for Maintenance

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented the item. Mr. Fletcher stated Lowndes County has received a petition from property owners on Hamm Estates Drive, requesting the county accept the road into the county's road inventory for maintenance. Mr. Fletcher informed the Commission that in 1995, Lowndes County was approved for a State Aid Grant through the Georgia Department of Transportation to pave the road. Mr. Fletcher further stated that property owners opposed the improvement so in June of 1988, Hamm Estates was abandoned so it reverted back to a private road.

Approval of Clyattstone Rd.-Simpson Ln. ROW Purchases

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented a request in the amount of \$43,245.50, for the purchase of right of way. Mr. Fletcher stated Lowndes County has negotiated purchase of right of way related to the proposed paving projects for property numbers 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, and 36. Mr. Fletcher further stated the Commission is required to approve each of the acquisitions in a public vote.

Approval of Clyattstone Rd.-Simpson Ln. ROW Acquisition

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented a request to purchase right of way in the amount of \$11,535.00. Mr. Fletcher stated the right of way purchase for property number 7 also includes a deed for 0.084 acres of no longer needed county right of way along Clyattstone Road that abuts Allen and Sally Woods' property. Mr. Fletcher further stated the Commission is required to approve the exchange and deeds in a public vote.

2020 Administrative Services Agreement with Allied Benefit Systems, Inc.

Human Resources Director, Kevin Beals, presented the 2020 Administrative Services Agreement with Allied Benefit Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$290,000.00. Mr. Beals explained that the agreement is a renewal of the existing agreement for services related to Lowndes County's self-funded employee health plan.

Deannexation of Ganas Property by Lake Park

County Planner, Trinni Amiot, presented a request to deannex 0.653 acres of property owned by Jerry Ganas on Old US 41, in Lake Park. Mrs. Amiot explained that the track is in the Lake Park city limits, adding that adjoining property also owned by Mr. Ganas is in the unincorporated area. Mrs. Amiot stated Mr. Ganas would like for all of his property to be in the unincorporated area. Vice Chairman Marshall questioned the surrounding properties at which time Mrs. Amiot directed him to the map before the Commission.

BID

Bid for Repairs to Knights Academy Road

County Engineer, Mike Fletcher, presented a request for emergency repairs in the amount of \$50,433.00, to be paid to Rountree Construction. Mr. Fletcher stated during routine inspections, the need for repairs to several culvert aprons was identified on Knights Academy Road.

REPORTS - County Manager

No additional information was reported.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Evans second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the work session at 8:40 a.m.