

correct departments. Chairman Slaughter also commended their office for the continued CALEA certification throughout the years and wished them continued success.

APPOINTMENTS

Lowndes County Board of Health

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Dr. Randy Smith's term has expired and he has not expressed a desire to continue to serve. Mrs. Dukes stated Ms. Brenda Mims has been recommended for the seat.

Valdosta-Lowndes County Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBOA)

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated there are two County Zoning Board of Appeals members whose terms are expiring on May 7, 2023. Mr. Marion Ramsey and Ms. Victoria Copeland have both expressed a desire to continue to serve.

South Georgia Regional Library Board

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item, Mrs. Dukes stated Dr. Darlene Ridley has stated she will no longer be able to serve on the board. Ms. Jane Peebles would like to be considered for appointment to fill the unexpired term.

Chairman Slaughter reminded the Commission if they had other applicants to be considered for serving on the boards, to have them complete the online appointee/information sheet before tomorrow night's meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

REZ-2022-10 The Campus Transitional Care Facility, 2193 Howell Road, E-A to P-D, Well & Septic, ~23 acres,

County Planner, J.D. Dillard, presented the item. Mr. Dillard stated this request is to rezone from E-A to P-D, in an agricultural-character area with some wetlands on the north end of the property. Mr. Dillard stated the Planning Commission recommended denial.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Probation Department Service Agreement

Probation Director, Ferlisha Rountree, presented the Probation Department's Service Agreement required by the Misdemeanor Probation Oversight Unit (MPOU) for probation service provided by Lowndes County Probation. Mrs. Rountree stated the Probation Service Agreement is valid for a five-year period. Mrs. Rountree stated there are two changes in the agreement; the effective date is July 1, 2023 and regarding the number of probationers supervised, it has been changed from 350 to 250. Commissioner Marshall asked regarding the probationers who are unable to pay, Mrs. Rountree responded if someone is unable to pay, there is a walk-in revocation hearing and at that time they can present their financials to the judge. Mrs. Rountree stated there are options like converting the fine and/or probation fees into community service or the judge may terminate the case. County Manager, Paige Dukes, stated a common misconception by the community is related to how much authority the probation officers have. When someone goes to court and the judge places them on probation, the judge signs an order and on that order is listed everything that needs to be done to meet probation requirements. Lowndes County Probation has no legal authority to amend an order without going before the judge again.