



The McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Commission Meeting
Tuesday Evening, February 21, 2023, 6:30 pm
Government Center Meeting Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charles Newton, IV, Chairman
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Frederick Favors, Commissioner
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Chase Beggs, Planning & Zoning
Robert Spurlin, IT Director
Paul Johnson, Coroner

MEDIA: McDuffie Progress

Others: 10

Public Hearing

1. **Request to Rezone: 45.37 acres on Wire Road and Gay's Circle, Parcel 00540009A00 from R-1 to R-2.**

Chase presented the rezoning request for Wire Road and Gay's Circle by Ashlee Harmon. They are requesting to divide 45.7 acres into 1 acre or larger lots. The planning board recommended to approve this request. Chairman Newton asked if there were any further questions or concerns. Hearing no response, this hearing was closed.

2. **Request to Rezone: parcel 00510006, Cobbham Road, Thomson, GA 30824 from R-2 to R-3, and approve a subdivision plan with variances for a proposed subdivision, Cooper Place.**

Chase presented the rezoning and variance request for Cooper Place. He advised that T.R. Reddy submitted the application for the 109 acres to be divided into 188 lots on Cobbham Road. Several people from the surrounding neighborhoods all spoke against the request due to the density of the project. The planning recommended to deny request due to the developer not having plans for style or size of development. Chairman Newton asked if there were any further questions or concerns. Hearing no response, this hearing was closed.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Newton called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm, acknowledged a quorum of commissioners present and welcomed everyone in attendance.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Favors offered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. R. Brown- Concerns regarding recreation travel
2. V. Brown- Concerns regarding recreation travel

APPROVALS

Agenda (Current)

Chairman Newton asked if there were any corrections to the current agenda or minutes.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve the current agenda as written and was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

Minutes

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Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve meeting minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **ACCG Legislative Breakfast: March 9th, Atlanta**

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Consideration to Accept Planning Board Recommendation for Rezoning Request for Wire Road and Gay's Circle.**

Chairman Newton asked if there was any need for further discussion.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to accept planning board recommendation to approve this request. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

2. **Consideration to Accept Planning Board Recommendation for Rezoning Request and Subdivision Plan and Variances for Cooper Place.**

Chairman Newton asked if there was any need for further discussion.

Commissioner Favors made the motion to accept planning board recommendation to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution 23-03; Board of Assessor's Appointment.**

David advised that the appointment was made at the previous meeting and this is the required resolution.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve Resolution 23-03. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

4. **Consideration to Approve ACCG Intern Grant Agreements.**

David advised that the county applied and has been selected to receive 2 internship grants, for Process Improvement and GIS. David advised that the ACCG \$2,400 per intern for a max of 200 hours. The county has committed to offering an additional \$1,200 for each intern to put them more in line of our pay scale.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve the intern grant agreements with ACCG. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

5. Consideration to Approve Contract Renewal with UGA Extension.

David advised that this is the renewal for the extension office. This does include the \$2000 increase that was approved last year.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve the contract renewal for extension. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

6. Consideration to Approve Spring Trash Amnesty.

Chairman Newton advised that the county normally likes to have a trash amnesty day prior to Master's week, March 25th is the weekend before.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve March 25th as trash amnesty for spring. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Concerning Hobbs Mill Road.

David provided an update of the condition of Hobbs Mill Road and the plan going forward to fix the issue.

8. Monthly Budget Report

David presented the monthly budget report.

9. Monthly Financial Report

Pam presented the monthly financial report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Personnel

Enter: Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to enter executive session at 7:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

Exit: Commissioner Thompson made the motion to exit executive session at 7:13 pm. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson.

***The Board agreed to allow participants to address them as public input regarding their concerns about the recreation teams travel for state tournaments.**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Wilson to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:27 pm, seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST:



Nikki Milburn, County Clerk