

County Commissioners Meeting
November 10, 2009
7:00 P.M.

The Lamar County Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Lamar, State of Georgia, held a commissioners meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Chairman Jay Matthews, Vice Chairman George R. Brown, Commissioner Bennie Horton, Commissioner Jimmy Hearn, and Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jay Matthews.

The pledge of allegiance was said by everyone. The invocation was said by Rev. Lonnie Grant pastor of the Church of the Nazarene. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn asked if the agenda can be amended to add the plaque presentation for Officer Marty Jackson. This request was put in the form of a motion by Commissioner Jimmy Hearn followed by a second by Commissioner Bennie Horton. The motion passed by a unanimous decision. Commissioner Bennie Horton made a motion to close the agenda. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash and Commissioner Bennie Horton presented the plaque certificate from Governor Sonny Perdue's Office to Officer Marty Jackson's Family. Police Chief Chuck Keadle and other City Police Officers were in attendance for support of Officer Marty Jackson.

Mr. Royce Turner did not attend the Commissioner's meeting to address his request for a refund. Vice Chairman George R. Brown made a motion to deny his refund request. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash seconded the motion. Attorney Karen K. Martin representative for Ms. Vickie Stewart's request for a refund called the Commissioner's office earlier to request to withdraw from attending the commissioner's meeting.

Special Exception application 09-02 by Rock Springs Church was presented by Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter requesting approval for a private recreational facility. Mr. Cameron Shepherd was present to answer questions in regards to Vice Chairman George R. Brown asking about the deceleration lanes and acceleration lanes to get to the private recreational facility for the church. The property is located on Chappell Mill Road in Land Lot 151 of the third land district as shown on tax map 052, parcel 033; and recorded in plat book 3, page 334 and deed book 716 pages 46-47. Vice Chairman George R. Brown made a motion to accept special exception application 09-02 for Rock Springs Church.. Commissioner Bennie Horton seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Building and Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter read the second reading of Ordinance 2009-06 Lamar County Zoning Ordinance, Nonconforming uses. Commissioner Bennie Horton made a motion to accept the second reading of this ordinance. Vice Chairman George R. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

The second reading of ordinance 2009-07 was read by Office Manager Gretchen Ellerby for the Lamar County Code Health and Human Services amending Chapter 2-11. Commissioner Bennie Horton made a motion to accept the changes to this ordinance. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision. Resolution 2009-17 was read by Office Manager Gretchen Ellerby for the Conveyance of landfill property. This resolution references the land that the Cedar Grove Landfill operates on at the location of the Grove Street Extension Landfill that is operated and managed by the Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority and reads as follows in Section 2-17-4 of the Lamar County Code with regards to solid waste management is transferred to the Authority to the extent authorized by the Authority enabling resolution, the agreement among participants, and state law has been granted the powers to the regional solid waste management authorities under the Act to study, construct, fund the manager, solid waste projects as defined in the act, to contract with other governmental entities as defined within limits of the Georgia laws and Constitution and to do all things and take all actions that are permitted by Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 12-8-56. Vice Chairman George R. Brown made a motion to accept Resolution 2009-17 conveyance of landfill property. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Building and Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter read Resolution 2009-18 Lamar County Land Development Guidelines first reading. After the reading Attorney Scott Mayfield stated that this reading should be an Ordinance instead of a Resolution. and should be approved at the next meeting as an Ordinance. Vice Chairman George R. Brown made a motion to accept the first reading of the Resolution 2009-18 that will be changed to read as an Ordinance at the December meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Hearn. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Commissioner Bennie Horton made a motion to approve the minutes of business meetings for October 13th, Public Hearing minutes of October 29th at 9:00 am and 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision. Commissioner Bennie Horton informed everyone that he had travelled to ST Simon Island GA for a Regional Development Meeting and also attended the District Four meeting with the ACCG. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash complimented Building and Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter for all of his work that he had done for the guidelines on the Land Development for Lamar County. There being no further business to discuss Vice Chairman George R. Brown made a motion for the meeting to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

JAY R. MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN

GEORGE R. BROWN, VICE-CHAIRMAN

JIMMY HEARN, MEMBER

ATTEST:

NANCY M. THRASH, MEMBER

WAYNE PATTERSON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BENNIE HORTON, MEMBER