

Lamar County Commissioners Meeting  
March 9, 2010  
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, March 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Chairman Jay Matthews, Vice-Chairman Bennie Horton, Commissioner George R. Brown, 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 Mr. Clifford Barber. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to amend the agenda to add Resolution 2010-05 which is the Community Development Block Grant for 2010. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to accept the approval of the agenda. Vice-Chairman Bennie Horton seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter presented the second reading of Ordinance 2010-04 Development Subdivision. Mr. Gunter addressed some of the changes for clarity in this ordinance. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to accept Ordinance Number 2010-04 with the necessary changes that were made. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Commissioner George R. Brown read Resolution 2010-05 regarding the Lamar County Board of Commissioners 2010 Community Development Block Grant for the Water Authority. This grant will provide a need for water on Midway Road, and Ponderosa Lane. The total amount of the CDBG Grant is \$500,000.00 with a \$1000.00 fee for the required audit. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to approve this CDBG Grant for the Lamar County Regional Water Authority. Commissioner Bennie Horton seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Ms. Alicia Kink and Ms. Dorothy Carter gave input and recognition of the Youth Leadership Lamar which is a part of the Family Collaborative

Connection. These participants learn about how businesses make an impact in their community and family life. They also learn about how the community functions as a whole. This is a newly organized organization.

Ms. Marcia Johnston-Clark is seeking a grant with the Area Agency on Aging /Meals. They will offer more meals for our Senior citizens. The minimum age for the seniors meals to be received is age 60. They can participate at the Senior Center or from their homes by having the meals delivered or transportation provided to them. On March 15, 2010 Ms. Johnston-Clark will know if they have been awarded the grant. The contract starts in July.

Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash nominated Mr. Todd Clark as her appointment to the Board of Tax Assessors. Mr. Clark owns the New Pork Pit Restaurant located in Milner, Georgia. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash made a motion for the Board to accept Mr. Todd Clark as her appointment. Commissioner George R. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Building and Zoning Administrator Danny Gunter wanted to propose an increase in permit fees. Chairman Jay Matthews asked Mr. Gunter if this could be reconsidered at another date and time. Mr. Gunter said yes. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion for the Building and Zoning fees to remain the same without any increases. Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Chairman Jay Matthews stated that there is an area between the Hot Spot and 341 that has been renamed by the City of Barnesville. He suggested that we will support the City with naming that area of Highway as Veterans Parkway. Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to accept this section of the highway to be renamed as Veterans Parkway. Commissioner Jimmy Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Office Manager Gretchen Ellerby read the second reading of Ordinance 2010-03 of the Personnel Policy. Vice-Chairman Bennie Horton made a motion to accept this second reading of the County's personnel policy. Commissioner George R. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Commissioner Nancy M. Thrash made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Business meeting for February 9, 2010. Commissioner George R. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision.

Ms. Beverly Eskridge, Publicity Chairperson for the Humane Society gave an update as to how many cats and dogs had been spayed and neutered in February. She informed every one of the fundraisers at Ace Hardware parking lot on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> with Peaches to Beaches and another one on April 10, 2010 from 11am to 6pm with Slices Pizza donating a portion of their proceed to the Humane Society.

Ms Bonnie Kitchens of Old Milner Road thanked everyone who was involved and concerned with the ICAN organization.

Mr. Aaron Brown of 323 Forsyth Street invited everyone to the Board of Assessors meeting that will be held on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 2pm. He stated to the Commissioners that he was there to answer any questions that they may have with the Board of Assessors.

Vice-Chairman Bennie Horton thanked all of the citizens in the community. He said that everyone wants the same thing and what's best for their community. With hard work and perseverance it can be achieved. Commissioner George R. Brown informed everyone that pot hole patching is being done on High Falls Park Road. He asked Ms. Missy Kendrick to give details about what the Peaches to Beaches is all about.

There being no further business to discuss Commissioner George R. Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairman Bennie Horton seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous decision at 7:36 pm.

LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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ATTEST:

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WAYNE PATTERSON  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR