

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 2023**

MAY 9, 2023 MEETING:

Chairman Usry led the Pledge of Allegiance and led the invocation.

Call to Order: Chairman Usry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners Deering, Lindsey, Filice and Chairman Usry were present. Also present was County Manager Byron Lombard. Commissioner Smith absent.

Minutes: The Chairman inquired with the Commissioners to determine if any corrections were necessary for the minutes under consideration for approval. Commissioner Filice motioned to approve the Minutes from the April 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning & Subdivision Items:

Consideration of a Preliminary Plat Request – PLC, LLC/Georgia Capital; Oakdale Forest Subdivision, Carey Station Road: The Board reviewed a request seeking Preliminary Plat Approval for 186 lots to be created from 78.3 acres. The property is located on Carey Station Road and is zoned PUD. Commissioner Filice motioned to approve the Preliminary Plat Request submitted by PLC, LLC/Georgia Capital for the Oakdale Forest Subdivision, creating 186 lots from 78.3 acres. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Preliminary Plat Request – Oconee Land Development Company, LLC; Howell's Grove – Section VIII, Reynolds Lake Oconee: The Board reviewed a request seeking Preliminary Plat Approval for 25 lots to be created from 28.33 acres. The property is located in Reynolds Lake Oconee and is zoned PUD. Commissioner Filice motioned to approve the Preliminary Plat Request submitted by Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, for Howell's Grove – Section VIII, creating 25 lots from 28.33 acres. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

Consideration of Appointments to the Greene County Board of Health: The Board received background information that the terms of two members of the Greene County Board of Health expired on 12/31/2022. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to appoint Sally Boswell to the Greene County Board of Health to serve in the position of the Licensed Nurse for a six-year term. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a TSPLOST Project – Shoulder Building: The Board received background information that the LMIG project and associated contract to accomplish shoulder building along certain roads is in need of formal Board approval. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the shoulder building project that includes Siloam Veazey Road, Liberty Connector, Leach Road, and Howard Lewis Road, and to approve the necessary budget adjustments to utilize TSPLOST funding for the project. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Commissioner Lindsey inquired as to where the soil will come from, and County Manager Lombard advised it would come from the County's new borrow site. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Office Space Use – State Probation: The Board received background information that the State Probation Office would like to use a conference room or office on the third floor to meet with probationers. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to authorize the use of the old conference room or a single office on the third floor of the

courthouse by the State Probation Office for meetings with probationers. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Proposed Changes to the Personnel Policy: The Board received background information that a legal review of the County's Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual is being undertaken. Part of the proposed changes includes converting from paid leave and sick leave to Paid-Time Off. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the Policy Scope Changes for the Conversion from Annual Leave and Sick Leave to Paid Time Off to be incorporated into the update to the Personnel Policy noting that the specified changes will not be effective until the revisions to the Personnel Policy are adopted by the Board. Commissioner Filice seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a SPLOST/TSPLOST Project - Airport: The Board received background information that the project to expand and rehabilitate the Airport Apron, and its associated costs, was ready for Board consideration. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to approve the limited participation contract with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Airport Apron Expansion and Rehabilitation Project, to approve the construction contract for the Project, and to approve the necessary budget adjustments to utilize SPLOST and TSPLOST funding to fund the local match required for the project. Commissioner Filice seconded. There was general discussion regarding other safety projects like tree removal, the t-hangars project, and how funding sources still need to be identified before pursuing such projects. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Budget Adjustment – Magistrate Court: The Board received background information that Judge Ogletree is requesting funding in the Magistrate Court for judicial assistance needed for conflict cases. These funds are used to pay attorneys to hear cases where the County Magistrates have conflicts of interests. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the necessary budget adjustments for the 2023 Fiscal Year to allocate an additional \$1,500.00 to Court Expenses in the Magistrate Court utilizing budgeted contingency. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session: None

Commissioner's Report:

District One Commissioner Deering reported that citizens in her area are looking forward to resurfacing projects getting underway.

District Three Commissioner Lindsey reported that the Firefly Trail project is coming along nicely, and he thanked County Manager Lombard and State Representative Trey Rhodes for their roles in getting the project completed.

District Four Commissioner Filice reported that the turn lane addition for the Publix entrance was completed very quickly. He also reported that some citizens were confused by Assessment Notice errors but that the issues were being resolved.

Adjournment: Chairman Usry adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia V. Hill, County Clerk

The above minutes were adopted and approved this day 13th day of June, 2023.

Gary Usry, Chairman

Jeffery L. Smith, Vice-Chairman

Angela Walker Deering, Commissioner

Dee Lindsey, Commissioner

Ernie Filice, Commissioner