

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JUNE 2022**

JUNE 14, 2022 MEETING:

Vice-Chairman Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Lindsey led the invocation.

Call to Order: Vice-Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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

Minutes: The Vice-Chairman inquired with the Commissioners to determine if any corrections were necessary for the minutes under consideration for approval. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to approve the Minutes from the May 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning & Subdivision Items:

Consideration of a Final Plat Request – Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, Richland Village, Phase 2A: The Board reviewed a request seeking Final Plat Approval to create 21 lots from 4.892 acres zoned PUD in the Reynolds Lake Oconee Development. Commissioner Filice motioned to approve the Final Plat Request submitted by Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, for Richland Pointe Village, Phase 2A, creating 21 lots from 4.892 acres. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Final Plat Request – Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, The Homesteads, Section IVA: The Board reviewed a request seeking Final Plat Approval to create 14 lots from 66.26 acres zoned PUD in Reynolds Lake Oconee's The Homesteads development located off Hatcher's Run Road. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the Final Plat Request submitted by Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, for The Homesteads, Section IVA, creating 14 lots from 66.26 acres. Commissioner Filice seconded. There was general discussion concerning the differences between Richland Pointe Village and The Homesteads developments and density of housing. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

Consideration of an Appointment to the Greene County Development Authority: The Board received background information that the term of Mark Lipscomb on the Development Authority will expire on June 30, 2022. Mr. Lipscomb is interested and willing to continue serving on the Development Authority and seeks reappointment. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to appoint Mark Lipscomb to the Greene County Development Authority to serve a four-year term beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2026. Commissioner Filice seconded. Commissioner Lindsey noted that the County received five applications, and he thanked the applicants and their willingness to serve Greene County. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of the Public Defender Contract: The Board received background information regarding the contract between the County and the Circuit Public Defender's office of the Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit. The funding will be included in the FY2023 Budget. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the Georgia Indigent Defense Services Agreement between the Circuit Public Defender's Office of the Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit and the governing authority of Greene County. Commissioner Filice seconded. Vice-Chairman Smith noted that the budget request stayed the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Request to Declare Property as Surplus: The Board received background information that some items have been identified as surplus property based on the age, condition, lack of use, or other factors that render the property no longer serviceable to the County. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2022.6.14 declaring certain property as surplus property, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a SPLOST VII Expenditure – Resurfacing Parking Lots at Various County Facilities: The Board received background information that funding was included in SPLOST VII to resurface parking lots at most County facilities. The project was placed out for bid and received two quotes from qualified contractors. The lower bid from Georgia Paving totals \$1,039,030.24 and needs approval from the Board. Commissioner Lindsey motioned to approve the use of funding from SPLOST VII for the project to resurface parking lots at various County facilities. Commissioner Deering seconded. Commissioner Filice asked about inflation affecting pricing, and County Manager Lombard advised that the project is likely 35% higher than it would have been two years ago. Vice-Chairman Smith listed the various buildings’ parking lots included in the scope of work. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of the 5311 Transit Program – FY23 Operating Unit Rate: The Board received background information that the cost of operating the transit vehicles has gone up due to insurance requirements, increasing fuel prices and vehicle maintenance costs. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the necessary adjustment with the County’s Section 5311 third party operator Rural Georgia Transit to maintain the administration rate at 0.42 per revenue service mile and increase the operating rate per mile from 1.68 per mile to 2.40 per mile. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Vice-Chairman Smith asked about what controls the County had in place regarding riders and consolidation. Staff advised that there are federal guidelines but also that regionalization efforts to leverage economies of scale are continually encouraged by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session: None

Commissioner’s Report:

Commissioner Filice reported that there is a big mixed-use development expected to break ground in the coming months.

Vice-Chairman Smith encouraged citizens to vote in the Primary Run-off.

Adjournment: Chairman Usry adjourned the meeting at 5: 23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia V. Hill, County Clerk

The above minutes were adopted and approved this day 12th day of July, 2022.

Gary Usry, Chairman

Jeffery L. Smith, Vice-Chairman

Angela Walker Deering, Commissioner

Dee Lindsey, Commissioner

Ernie Filice, Commissioner