

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 2022**

MAY 10, 2022 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 Filice, Lindsey, Deering, Smith and Chairman Usry were present. Also present was County Manager Byron Lombard.

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

Zoning & Subdivision Items:

Consideration of a Final Plat Request – Oconee Land Development Company, LLC, Richland Pointe, Section III: The Board reviewed a request seeking Final Plat Approval to create 26 single-family residential lots from 34.8 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, Section III, creating 26 residential lots from 34.8 acres. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Final Plat Request – New Leaf Homes, LLC, Traditions at Carey Station, Phase 3 & 4: The Board reviewed a request seeking Final Plat Approval for 63 single-family residential lots to create from 32.23 acres of property zoned PUD. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the Final Plat Request submitted by New Leaf Homes, LLC, for Traditions at Carey Station, Phases 3 & 4, creating 63 residential lots from 32.23 acres. Commissioner Deering seconded. Chairman Usry asked if this was the last phase of the development, and the applicant advised that it was and the final number of homes would be 143. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

Consideration of an Ordinance to Repeal Article 11, Section 26-22 of Greene County Code: The Board received background information that the excise tax on car rentals had never been levied or collected and for various reasons it was desired to rescind the County Code provisions levying the tax. Commissioner Deering motioned to adopt the Ordinance to Amend the Greene County, Georgia, Code of Ordinances, to Repeal Section 26-22 - Excise Tax for Rental of Motor Vehicles. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Commissioner Smith asked why the County would rescind the tax, and County Manager Lombard replied that it would be more cumbersome and administratively expensive than the anticipated revenues that would be derived from the tax. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Resolution to Abandon Thompson Town Road: The Board received background information that the steps to allow for abandonment of Thompson Town Road had been followed, including the required public hearing. Commissioner Smith motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2022.5.10(a), A Resolution of Road Abandonment by the Board of Commissioners, to formally abandon Thompson Town Road, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of an Alcoholic Beverage License Request: The Board received background information that the specialty retail store located at 2050 Carey Station Road is opening under new ownership and the new owner is seeking the same level of licensure for retail package sales of beer and wine. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve an alcoholic beverage license for retail package sales of beer and wine for the Carey Station Country Store located at 2050 Carey Station Road, Greensboro, Georgia, in the name of Jacquelyn H. Plyler as the holder of the License. Commissioner Filice seconded. The applicant thanked the Board and its staff for cooperation and assistance in navigating the State of Georgia's online application process. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of an Appointment to the Tax Assessors Board: The Board received background information that the term of Rod Wilson on the Board of Tax Assessors expires on May 31, 2022. Mr. Wilson has been an active member of the Board of Tax Assessors, maintains the required training, and has agreed to serve another term. Commissioner Filice motioned to appoint Rod Wilson to the Greene County Board of Tax Assessors for a three-year term beginning June 1, 2022 and ending May 31, 2025. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of an Appointment to the Planning & Zoning Board: The Board received background information that the term of Al Brinkman on the Planning & Zoning Commission expires on June 1, 2022. The position is designated for a resident from District 1. Mr. Brinkman has expressed his willingness to continue serving if so desired by the Board. Commissioner Deering motioned to appoint Al Brinkman as the District 1 representative on the Greene County Planning & Zoning Board for a three-year term beginning June 2, 2022 and ending June 1, 2025. Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Request to Declare Property as Surplus: The Board received background information that the Sheriff has requested that a vehicle be declared by the Board as surplus property. Commissioner Filice motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2022.5.10(b) declaring certain property as surplus property, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Intergovernmental Agreements: The Board received background information that it was desired to cancel the Intergovernmental Agreements in place for Animal Control services for various reasons and to do so by providing at least 90 days written notice. Chairman Usry motioned to cancel the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Provision of Animal Control Services between Greene County and the City of Greensboro, and to cancel the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Provision of Animal Control Services between Greene County and the City of Greensboro, and to cancel the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Provision of Animal Control Services between Greene County and the City of Siloam. Commissioner Filice seconded. Discussion ensued as to whether the Cities were aware of it, and Commissioner Deering advised that she spoke with representatives from Siloam. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Roof Addition to the Courthouse: The Board received background information that a capital project to add a roof over the Courthouse's elevator equipment mechanical area would help with water leaks from rainfall. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the project to add a roof extension to cover the employee entrance on the south side of the Courthouse to prevent further infiltration of rainfall into the mechanical areas below this entranceway as a SPLOST VII funded project. Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Filice inquired about a larger conversation about the Courthouse needs.

Consideration of a Contract with the NEGRC – Senior Center: The Board received background information that the Northeast Regional Commission is distributing funding to Senior Centers to expand access to COVID-19 vaccines for seniors. There is no required local match other than the staff time of the Senior Center staff to deliver the program. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the contract with the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission for outreach services to expand access to COVID-19

vaccines for seniors to be administered through the Greene County Senior Center. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Conversion of Certain Hard Copy Records to Digital Storage: The Board received background information that a resolution was prepared regarding the conversion of hard-copy records to electronic format for various reasons. Commissioner Filice motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2022.5.10(c) authorizing the conversion of hard-copy records to digital records for storage purposes, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Commissioner Smith inquired as to whether the County has already started this process, and County Manager Lombard replied yes and advised that adopting the Resolution would now allow for the destruction of hard copies after scanning. Commissioner Smith expressed hope that it would free up space for storage, including those offices at the Courthouse. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Budget Adjustments: The Board received background information of the need to consider various budget adjustments. Commissioner Deering motioned to approve the budget adjustments for the 2022 Fiscal Year as submitted for all Funds to account for revenue and expenses associated with the Governor's Law Enforcement and First Responder Supplement Program, the American Rescue Plan, and the reallocation of funding within the Fire Department budget for the purchase of training equipment as detailed in the Budget Amendment Request Forms. Commissioner Lindsey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session: None

Commissioner's Report:

District Three Commissioner Lindsey reported that he attended the ACCG meeting with Commissioner Smith and has one more economic development training and meetings compliance training.

Adjournment: Chairman Usry adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia V. Hill, County Clerk

The above minutes were adopted and approved this day 14th day of June, 2022.

Gary Usry, Chairman

Jeffery L. Smith, Vice-Chairman

Angela Walker Deering, Commissioner

Dee Lindsey, Commissioner

Ernie Filice, Commissioner