



**Board of Commissioners
Regular Commission Meeting
MINUTES**

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Government Center Meeting Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Charlie Newton, Chairman
Fred Favors, Commissioner
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chair
Bill Jopling, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

David Crawley, County Manager
Carrie Edwards, County Clerk
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Jason Smith, Community Development
Director
Stephen Sewell, Fire/EMC Chief

**MEDIA: McDuffie Progress
Members of the Public**

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Consideration of application for special exceptions for 108.9 acres at the intersection of the Thomson Bypass and Dallas Drive for residential and commercial uses associated with a Planned Unit Development for the property; Parcel number 00400016
2. Consideration of application to rezone 207.9 acres on Sturkey Lane and Wellmaker Road to allow for a special exemption for a solar operation; Parcel numbers 00640051G00, 00640051A00, 00640051C00, 00640051E00, 00710001F00
3. Consideration of application to rezone 3.37 acres on Augusta Highway from R-2 (Medium Density Residential District) to C-2 (General Commercial District); Parcel number 00730098001

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Newton

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC INPUT

APPROVALS

4. **Agenda - Current**

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve the current agenda with two additions, including County Health Renewal and an Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion

carried unanimously.

5. Minutes

a. Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. Juneteenth Holiday, Wednesday, June 19, 2024

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

7. Consideration to Approve Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement with the City of Harlem.

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the agenda item. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Consideration to Approve the Renewal Contract between the McDuffie County Board of Commissioners and the University of Georgia Board of Regents on behalf of the UGA Cooperative Extension.

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the agenda item. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Consideration of application for special exceptions for 108.9 acres at the intersection of the Thomson Bypass and Dallas Drive for residential and commercial uses associated with a Planned Unit Development for the property; Parcel number 00400016

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Favors made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Consideration of application to rezone 207.9 acres on Sturkey Lane and Wellmaker Road to allow for a special exemption for a solar operation; Parcel numbers 00640051G00, 00640051A00, 00640051C00, 00640051E00, 00710001F00

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. After thorough discussion, Commissioner Thompson made a motion to table the item until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Consideration of application to rezone 3.37 acres on Augusta Highway from R-2 (Medium Density Residential District) to C-2 (General Commercial District); Parcel number 00730098001

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Consideration of alcohol license (beer and wine) for SMAQ Investments LLC (1850 Washington Road)

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded Commissioner Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Consideration to Approve the Drug Court Subgrant Award.

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Favors. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Consideration to Approve the Health Insurance Renewal for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025.

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried with the following votes: Voting Aye: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Jopling, and Chairman Newton. Voting Nay: Vice Chair Wilson and Commissioner Favors.

15. Monthly Budget Report

County Manager Crawley provided an update on the Monthly Budget Report.

16. Monthly Financial Report

Pam Workman, Finance Director, provided an update on the Monthly Finance Report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Personnel

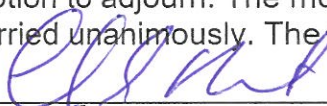
Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion to enter into the Executive Session. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously, and the board entered into session at 7:27 p.m. to discuss personnel.

Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion to exit out of Executive Session. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The motion carried unanimously, and the board exited the Executive Session 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

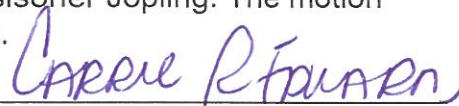
Chairman Newton opened the floor for a motion to adjourn. Vice Chair Wilson made the

motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commisisoner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.



Charles G Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST:



Carrie Edwards, County Clerk