

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION MINUTES - DECEMBER 20, 2018
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA 30534
6:00 PM**

ROLL CALL: Those present were Chairman Thurmond; Commissioner Fausett, District 1; Commissioner Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Hamby, District 3; Commissioner Nix, District 4; County Attorney Frey; County Clerk Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County. County Manager Headley was not present.

OPENING PRESENTATION:

Development Authority of Dawson County (DADC) Update- DADC Chairman Brian Trapnell, who was joined for a portion of the presentation by Chamber of Commerce President Christie Haynes Moore.

INVOCATION: Chairman Thurmond

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Thurmond

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Thurmond announced that there would be a Special Called Meeting at 10 a.m. December 21, 2018; a swearing-in ceremony for elected officials at 11 a.m. December 27, 2018; and that the next Board of Commissioners meeting would be held January 10, 2019.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on December 6, 2018. Nix/Gaines

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Voting Session held on December 6, 2018. Gaines/Hamby

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Work Session held on December 13, 2018. Fausett/Hamby

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda as presented. Gaines/Nix

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ZONING:

ZA 18-06 - Corey Guthrie on behalf of Tanco Investments LLC has made a request for a rezoning subject to County Commission approval. He is seeking to change the current zoning of RA (Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban) to RSR (Residential Sub Rural) for the proposed use of a minor subdivision to three 1-acre residential lots on community water and septic. The subject property is zoned RA (Residential Sub-Rural) and is located at TMP L18 075.

Chairman Thurmond announced that if anyone had contributed more than \$250 to the commissioners or chairman in the past two years and wished to speak they would have to fill out a disclosure form, which would be made available to them. Under normal program, ten minutes will be given to those who wish to speak in favor of or opposition to with some redirect, time permitting.

Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley said the subject property is located on War Hill Park Road, about one mile on the right past Liberty Church Road. He said the Planning & Development department looked to the county's future land use map to form its recommendation of approval without stipulations, as the applicant's intention for the property meets the future land use plan's guidelines. Kinley said the Planning Commission recommended approval of the application as presented.

Corey Guthrie, a civil engineering consultant representing the applicant, said the subject property is wooded and currently is not used. Guthrie said, "We feel this is an appropriate zoning for this particular property given its location on War Hill Park Road." He said neither he nor the applicant have received any negative feedback from those whom they have reached out to about rezoning the subject property.

Chairman Thurmond asked if there was anyone wishing to speak either for or against the application and, hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion passed 3-1 to approve ZA 18-06. Gaines/Hamby- Commissioner Fausett opposed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consideration of Annexations #C8-00209 and #C8-00210 (discussed at the December 13, 2018, Work Session)

Motion passed unanimously to approve for the county attorney to send a letter to the city of Dawsonville withdrawing the county's objection to Annexations #C8-00209 and #C8-00210. This follows the Dawsonville City Council's approval to revise the zoning terms for the project so that the allowable density would be reduced from the proposed 3.7 units per acre down to a maximum of 3.2 units per acre. Nix/Hamby

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation and Consideration of Family Connection Fiscal Agent Request

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Family Connection Fiscal Agent Request.

Fausett/Gaines

Consideration to Move Forward with a Public Hearing Regarding the Comprehensive Plan

Motion passed unanimously to approve to Move Forward with a Public Hearing on January 10, 2019, Regarding the Comprehensive Plan. Gaines/Hamby

Ratification of Geographic Information System Summer Intern Grant Application Request

Motion passed unanimously to ratify the Geographic Information System Summer Intern Grant Application Request. Hamby/Fausett

Consideration of 2019 Georgia Forestry Commission Grant Application Request

Motion passed unanimously to approve the 2019 Georgia Forestry Commission Grant Application Request. Fausett/Nix

Ratification of Georgia Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant Application Request

Motion passed unanimously to ratify the Georgia Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant Application Request. Fausett/Gaines

Consideration of IFBs #316-18 - Course Aggregate & Miscellaneous Items; and #318-18 - Hot Asphaltic Mix

Motion passed unanimously to approve IFBs #316-18 - Course Aggregate & Miscellaneous Items; and #318-18 - Hot Asphaltic Mix; to accept the bids submitted and to award an annual contract for course aggregate to Vulcan Materials and an annual contract for hot asphaltic mix to three bidders - Baldwin Paving Company, Blount Construction Company and C.W. Matthews Contracting Company – for their respective best-priced items. All contracts will be for one year beginning January 1, 2019, with two possible renewal option years separately. Hamby/Fausett

Consideration of IFB #329-18 - Lumpkin Campground / State Route 53 Curb Contractor Approval Request

Motion passed unanimously to approve IFB #329-18 - Lumpkin Campground / State Route 53 Curb Contractor Approval Request; to accept and award the bid to the most qualified contractor, Vertical Earth Inc., in the amount of \$58,624.44. Money will come from SPLOST VI funds. Nix/Gaines

Consideration of GATEway Grant

Motion passed 3-1 to accept the \$46,690 GATEway Grant and to approve \$69,556.85 from the general fund budget to fund the \$116,246.85 landscape project in the area of Georgia Highway 400 and Carlisle Road. Nix/Fausett- Commissioner Gaines opposed

Consideration of FY 2019 Department of Human Services / Deanna Specialty Transportation Inc. Contract

Motion passed unanimously to approve the FY 2019 Department of Human Services / Deanna Specialty Transportation Inc. Contract. Fausett/Gaines

Consideration of Board Appointments:

- Tax Assessors
 - Jim Perdue- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2023)
- Department of Family and Children Services
 - Nancy Stites- replacing Vickie Porter (Term: December 2018 through July 2019)
- Planning Commission
 - John Dooley, Chairman appointee- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
 - Jason Hamby, District 1 appointee- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
 - John Maloney, District 2 appointee- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
 - Tim Bennett, District 3 appointee- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
 - Neil Hornsey, District 4 appointee- reappointment (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)

Motion passed unanimously to reappoint Jim Perdue to the Tax Assessors Board with a term of January 2019 through December 2023. Nix/Gaines

Motion passed unanimously to appoint Nancy Stites to the Department of Family and Children Services Board with a term of December 2018 through July 2019. Hamby/Gaines

Motion passed unanimously to approve all Planning Commission Board reappointments as presented and to adjust this board's member terms going forward to correspond with their respective district commissioner terms. Nix/Fausett

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tony Passarello- Dawsonville, Georgia, thanked Commissioner Hamby for his service.

Terri Tragesser- Dawsonville, Georgia, thanked Commissioner Hamby for his service.

ADJOURNMENT:

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk