HOLMES COUNTY PLANNING OFFICE



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PETITION CLOSING OF A ROAD

The process for petitioning for the closing of a road is as follows:

- 1. Provide, in writing, a formal petition requesting that a particular road be closed. Request should be accompanied with a \$500.00 check to pay for advertising before the Board of County Commissioners.
- **2.** Submit with a deed to all lots showing ownership of all lots by the petitioner.
- **3.** Submit evidence of paid taxes on each lot.
- **4.** These items will be submitted to the Planning Commission through the Holmes County Planning Department for an informal review process. No public hearing is required at this point.
- **5.** After review, the Planning Commission will:
 - a) Outline the regulatory steps to be taken in vacating this particular plan (with regards to surveys, filing and approval of new plat, posting of bond, etc.).
 - b) Issue a recommendation to the Holmes County Board of County Commissioners, with instructions to the Planning Department to proceed with legal advertisement.
- **6.** The Planning Department will submit a legal ad to the local news publication for two weekly issues of the newspaper advertising that such vacation of the plat will be considered at a public hearing before the Commission at a regular meeting of the Board.
- **7.** A public hearing will then be held as described above. You will be notified about the date.
- **8.** If approved by the Board of County Commissioners, the Clerk of Court will then advertise for adoption of a resolution.

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In addition to any other information, the petition shall contain the following:

- A. Legal Description of Petition Site
- B. Type of Petition
- C. Location Map
- D. Access to Affected Property
- E. Federal or State Highway Statement
- F. Evidence of Title
- G. Evidence of Taxes Paid
- H. Municipal Resolution
- I. Fees
- J. Justification

For additional information regarding the description of the items listed above, please reference Section 10.06.05 of the Holmes County Land Development Regulations.

The undersigned petitioner(s) having published a notice of intent in a newspaper of general circulation, hereby request and file this petition requesting to vacate right-of-way or easements of the following road as appearing on recorded plat at the Clerk of Court Office, Holmes County and of which a copy is available for examination at the Building/Planning Department, 107 E Virginia Ave, Bonifay, FL 32425.

This petition is for abandonment of the public's interest in a private right-of-way.

To the petitioner's knowledge, granting of this petition will not affect the ownership of right of convenient access of persons owning other land located or abutting the right-of-way, if any. Additionally, this road is not a part of any state or federal highway and is not acquired or dedicated for state or federal purposed. All taxes have been paid.

Witness		Petitioner		Date
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