

August 3, 2021

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse. Those participating in the meeting included Chairman David Thompson, Commissioners Bo Warren, Mark Banks (via telephone), Timmy Shelnett, Lee Bradford, Jeremy Adams and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Rhonda Hawk, Finance Director Milton Cronheim, Planning Director Charna Parker, and County Attorney Chip Ferguson. A list of employees and citizens in attendance at the meeting is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.

PRESENTATIONS

Parks & Recreation Director Jody Johnson honored the West Walton All Stars for winning the 5 and 6 year old World Series in New Orleans.

MEETING OPENING

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Shelnett gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Adams made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Dixon asked that 6.12 be removed from the Administrative Consent Agenda and heard after Public Comment. Commissioner Adams amended his motion. Commissioner Bradford seconded the amended motion and all voted in favor.*

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Approval of CU21050003 for Summer Day Camp on 4.13 & 2.43 acres - Applicant/Owners: Kevin & Shelley Shelnett - 5889 Center Hill Church Rd-Map/Parcel C0110108 & 336 Brook Hollow Lane-Map/Parcel N011F018 - District 2 (tabled 7/6/2021)

Chairman Thompson opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Shelley Shelnett spoke in favor of the rezone. Karl Kimmel spoke in opposition stating concerns over child safety, noise and property value. Applicant Shelley Shelnett spoke in rebuttal stating they have a 4:1 staff/child ratio and that 80 percent of the staff are CPR Certified. She further stated that they are only opened 20 days during the summer and 10 days during the fall. Chairman Thompson closed the public hearing on the matter.

***Motion:** Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the conditional use per the Planning Commission recommendation. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Approval with Conditions CU21050017 for a telecommunications tower on 19.86 acres - Applicant: Verizon Wireless/Owner: Geiger Farms LLC - Property located at 3670 Anglin Rd-Map/Parcel C0520065 - District 3

Chairman Thompson opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Shamaury Myrick with Verizon Wireless spoke in favor of the conditional use. There was no opposition present. Chairman Thompson closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnut*t made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bradford to approve the conditional use per the Planning Commission recommendation. All voted in favor.

Approval with Conditions Z21060003 - Rezone 7.145 acres from A1 to B2 for mini storage units with conditional use for outside storage - Applicant: Louie E Crowe/Owner: Louie E Crowe Sr. (Deceased) - Property located at 4019 Center Hill Church Rd/Hwy 81/Map/Parcel C0510112 - District 3

Chairman Thompson opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Louie Crowe and Mike Patterson of Saul's Storage Group spoke in favor of the conditional use. O. J. Soto spoke in opposition concerning safety issues and poor access to the property. Chairman Thompson closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnut*t made a motion to approve the conditional use per the Planning Commission recommendation. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Approval with Conditions Z21060005 - Rezone 4.71 acres from B2 to B3 for major automotive repair & motor vehicle sales - Applicant: Roger Dieujuste/Owners: Gregory & Teresa Thompson - Property located at 2032 Hwy 138-Map/Parcel C0760036A00 - District 4

Chairman Thompson opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Roger Dieujuste spoke in favor of the conditional use. There was no opposition present. Chairman Thompson closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford* made a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and added that hours of operation be Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. until 6:p.m. and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for repair and sales and that there be no external storage after business hours. Commissioner Shelnut seconded the motion. Commissioner Dixon questioned the sale of vehicles on Saturday and asked that the motion be amended to extend the time on Saturday for sales. Commissioner Bradford amended his motion allowing cars for sale to be inside the fence and for the Saturday hours to be 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for sales. After, some discussion concerning the fence, Planning Director Charna Parker clarified that the fencing would be opaque only on the rear of the property. Commissioner Shelnut seconded the amended motion. Commissioners Bradford, Shelnut, Warren and Adams voted in favor of the motion. Commissioners Dixon and Banks opposed the motion. The motion carried 4-2.

Amendment - OA21040011 Walton County Land Development Ordinance per Errata Sheet #4 dated 5/3/2021 (tabled 7/6/2021)

Planning Director Charna Parker stated this would bring housing density from 3 to 2 per acre and raise house size from 1600 sq. ft. to 2000 sq. ft. and to remove the development approval process. Chairman Thompson clarified this to be only where there is sewer.

***Motion:** Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Bradford. All voted in favor.*

Ordinance - Third Party Inspections

***Motion:** Commissioner Shelnutt made a motion to approve the ordinance allowing for third party inspections. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Proposed Amended Fee Schedule - Planning and Development

***Motion:** Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the amended fee schedule. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

Proposed Road Name Change - Mt. Ena Church Road to Mt. Enon Church Road

Planning Director Charna Parker stated there was no opposition to the name change.

***Motion:** Commissioner Bradford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the name change from Mt. Ena Church Road to Mt. Enon Church Road. All voted in favor.*

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of July 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes
2. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$5000 or Greater
3. Declaration of Surplus Property
4. Engagement Letter - Holland and Knight
5. Contract Renewal - Correct Health Inmate Medical
6. Contract Renewal - Walton Co. School District - School Resource Program
7. Agreement - Condrey & Associates - Update Compensation/Classification Plan
8. Engagement Letter - Mauldin & Jenkins - FY2021 Audit
9. Contract - Purchase of VFW Building
10. Agreement - Carter Watkins Associates - Extension Office Building
11. IGA - Loganville Election 2021

RESOLUTIONS

Finance Director Milton Cronheim presented the following Resolutions.

Adoption of 2021 Millage Rates for Walton County

Motion: Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bradford to adopt the 2021 Millage Rate; voted and carried unanimously.

Adoption of Walton County Board of Education 2021 Millage Rate

Motion: Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Banks to adopt the Walton County Board of Education 2021 Millage Rate. All voted in favor.

Adoption of Project Length Budget - Extension Office Building

Motion: Commissioner Warren made a motion to adopt the Project Length Budget for the Extension Office Building. Commissioner Shelnett seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Adoption of Project Length Budget - Resurfacing and LMIG Striping

Motion: Commissioner Shelnett made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams to adopt the Project Length Budget for Resurfacing and LMIG Striping. All voted in favor.

FY22 Budget Amendments

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon to adopt the FY22 Budget Amendments. All voted in favor.

DISCUSSION

Davenport & Company, LLC.

Chairman Thompson recommended exercising the 30 day right to cancel the services of Davenport & Company as their services are no longer needed.

Motion: Commissioner Banks made a motion to give a 30 day notice to cancel the contract. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke during public comment in opposition of the Public Safety Complex Site. Daniel Corbin, Melinda Quinn, Jason Sams, Kolby Hanson, Sam Davis, Chris Hall, Laura Gross, Rita Dickinson, Gareth Fenley, Sandra Davis and Debbi Bouchard.

REMOVED FROM ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

Proposal - Precision Planning - Additional Design Services

Chairman Thompson discussed a proposal for an additional site plan for the Public Safety Complex on the Baker property. Commissioners Adams, Dixon and Bradford suggested meetings to further discuss the plans.

***Motion:** Chairman Thompson made a motion to proceed with the proposal from Precision Planning for additional design services. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion. Chairman Thompson and Commissioners Shelnut, Banks, Warren and Adams voted in favor. Commissioners Dixon and Bradford opposed the motion. The motion carried.*

ADJOURNMENT

***Motion:** Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shelnut, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.*

All documents of record for this meeting are on file in either the addendum book or auxiliary file under this meeting date.

DAVID G. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN

RHONDA HAWK, COUNTY CLERK