

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
WORK SESSION
Monday, October 10, 2022

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Joyce Evans
Commissioner Demarcus Marshall
Commissioner Clay Griner

Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker was not in attendance.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session of September 26, 2022 and the regular session of September 27, 2022. No changes to the minutes were requested.

PUBLIC HEARING

REZ-2022-16 The Townes at 4443 Bemiss, ~14.1 acres, from C-G & R-A to P-D & C-G, County Utilities, Planning and Zoning Director, J.D. Dillard, presented the item. Mr. Dillard stated this request represents a change in zoning on the subject properties from R-A (Residential Agriculture) to P-D (Planned Development) and C-G (Commercial General) to P-D, and from R-A to C-G zoning. The applicant is asking to create a mixture of residential and commercial sites for development in various stages. Mr. Dillard stated the subject property possesses road frontage on Bemiss Road and Mulligan Road. Mr. Dillard stated the plan for this development is for multi-unit townhomes. Mr. Dillard stated the P-D portion is a total of 8.86 acres and there is a total of 5.56 acres of commercial zoning. The Planning Commission recommended approval. Chairman Slaughter asked regarding the fire trucks being able to turn around, if that had been addressed, Mr. Dillard responded yes, that has been resolved. Chairman Slaughter asked to verify this would not become an accessory parking area for the townhomes, in order to give accessibility to the fire trucks, Mr. Dillard and Chief Green agreed.

REZ-2022-17 Seckinger Road, ~3.7 acres, E-A to R-1, Well & Septic, Planning and Zoning Director, J.D. Dillard, presented the item. Mr. Dillard stated this request represents a change in zoning on approximately 3.7 acres from E-A (Estate Agricultural) zoning to R-1 (Low Density Residential) zoning, in order for the properties to be reconfigured into conforming lots. Mr. Dillard stated the current parcels are considered legal non-conforming in their E-A zoning district. The Planning Commission recommended approval and the TRC had no objectionable comments.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Laurel Run Subdivision Lift Station Quitclaim Deed, Utilities Director, Steve Stalvey, presented the item. Mr. Stalvey stated the county has a lift station located within the Laurel Run Subdivision.

Mr. Stalvey stated the title is currently vested in the Laurel Run Property Owner's Association, Inc. and they have signed and attached the Quitclaim Deed of the parcel to the County.

Beer License - Rushikalaben Patel of Rudra 14, LLC, DBA Bemiss Quick Mart - 4357 Bemiss Rd., Valdosta, GA, Finance Accounts Receivable Technician, Lorraine Taylor, presented a request for a beer license for consumption off premises, due to a change of ownership.

Eagleview Pictometry Agreement between the Lowndes County Board of Assessors and Pictometry International Corp., Chief Appraiser, Lisa Bryant, presented the item. Mrs. Bryant stated Eagleview provides high-resolution pictometry and will be available for the Assessor's office, other departments and the public. Mrs. Bryant stated this is a six (6) year contract, which is composed of two projects, each project consisting of three (3) years. The total amount is \$240,870.00 and has already been approved in the budget. Commissioner Marshall asked if this could be viewed on qPublic, Mrs. Bryant answered yes, hopefully by this coming summer.

Adopt Resolution Accepting Infrastructure for Val Del Estates Subdivision Phase II, Engineering Services Director, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the Val Del Estates Subdivision Phase II is located on Val Del Road and has 24 lots. Mr. McLeod stated engineering staff and utilities staff have completed the final inspections of the project.

REPORTS - County Manager

County Manager, Paige Dukes, requested an executive session for the purpose of privileged attorney-client communication regarding potential or pending litigation. At 8:39 a.m. Commissioner Griner made a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of privileged attorney-client communication regarding potential or pending litigation, Vice Chairman Orenstein second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:13 a.m. Chairman Slaughter reconvened the work session with no additional information being discussed. Commissioner Griner made a motion to adjourn the work session meeting, Commissioner Marshall second. Chairman Slaughter adjourned the meeting.