

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, March 12, 2024

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Slaughter presented a proclamation for "Animal Volunteer and Rescue Day" to Mr. Burton Fletcher, with the Burton Fletcher Foundation in Lowndes County, to be observed on February 27, 2024.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Scott Orenstein

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Scott Orenstein

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the work session meeting on February 26, 2024, and the regular session meeting of February 27, 2024. Commissioner Orenstein made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Commissioner Evans second. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

REZ-2024-01 Gresham Event Venue, 8415 Old Valdosta Rd., E-A to PD-R, ~10.3 acres, Well & Septic

Mr. Dillard presented the item. Mr. Dillard stated this request is for E-A to PD-R in order for the applicant to utilize the property as a club, lodge, meeting or event facility and to also accommodate overnight guests. The subject property possesses road frontage on Old Valdosta Road and Salem Church Road, a collector and local road respectively, and is within the rural service area and agricultural/forestry character area. The TRC analyzed the request, the standards governing the exercise of zoning power set forth in 10.01.05 of the ULDC and factors most relevant to this application, including: 1.) The nature of the request as it pertains to a rural setting 2.) Current trends of event venues in rural areas 3.) Surrounding agricultural and clustered residential use of lands and is therefore supportive of the following staff recommended conditions:

1. Uses permitted in the Estate Agricultural (E-A) zoning district, and