

**Oconee County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Courthouse Commission Chambers
April 4, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Minutes**

Members Present:

Chairman John Daniell
Commissioner Mark Thomas
Commissioner Chuck Horton
Commissioner Amrey Harden
Commissioner Mark Saxon

Staff Present:

Daniel Haygood, County Attorney
Justin Kirouac, County Administrator
Holly Stephenson, County Clerk
Alex Newell, Internal Services Director
Guy Herring, Planning and Code Enforcement Director
Melissa Braswell, Finance Director
Merry Howard, Senior Center Director

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Chairman John Daniell called the meeting to order and stated that participants using Zoom may comment by using the raised-hand feature.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Commissioner Chuck Horton led the Pledge after a moment of silence.

Approval of Agenda:

ACTION:

Motion:	Mark Saxon made a motion to approve the April 4, 2023 Agenda.
Second:	Chuck Horton
Voted in Favor of Motion:	Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion:	None
Final Action:	Motion Passed.

Statements and Remarks from Citizens:

Joah McLane, 1017 Old Madison Highway, voiced concerns over internet fiber in the southern part of the county, paving conditions on Tappan Spur Road, and the lack of need for boat ramps.
Chairman Daniell responded with an update on the Charter Spectrum project through the south end of the county.

Statements and Remarks from Commissioners:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting, March 21, 2023 Town Hall Meeting and March 28, 2023 Agenda Meeting:

Commissioner Harden voiced a correction to a name spelling in the March 21, 2023 Town Hall minutes.

ACTION:

Motion: Mark Saxon made a motion to approve the March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting, March 21, 2023 Town Hall Meeting and the March 28, 2023 Agenda Meeting minutes with one correction to the Town Hall minutes.

Second: Mark Thomas

Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon

Voted Against Motion: None

Final Action: **Motion Passed.**

Recognition of April 23-29, 2023 as National Library Week:

Presented by: John Daniell, Chairman

Discussion: Commissioner Mark Thomas presented a proclamation to Rubielen Norris with the Library Advisory Board recognizing April 23-29, 2023 as National Library Week.

Rezone No. P22-0319:

Applicants:	Beall & Company, LLC
Owners:	Burgess Jennings Mill Land, LLC & J.G. Griffeth Investments, LLC
Location:	1181 Jennings Mill Road
Acreage:	±23.92
Zoning:	B-2 (Highway Business District)
Request:	Change in conditions from Rezone #7734

Presented by: Guy Herring, Planning & Code Enforcement Director

Discussion: Mr. Herring briefed the Board regarding the request for the property, which is currently zoned B-2 (Highway Business District) in the Regional Center Character Area. Applicant requests a change of conditions to previous zoning #7734 from B-2 to B-2 with a modified concept plan that no longer has a road connection from the project to the Oconee Connector and that no longer includes a realignment of the existing Old Jennings Mill Road right-of-way due to additional acreage acquired from GDOT. Staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval with nine conditions.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Ken Beall, Beall & Company, LLC, agent for the owner, speaking in favor of the rezone pointed out the two condition changes. There were two additional acres acquired from GDOT to be added, and there is no longer a need and request to connect to Oconee Connector.

There were no further comments in favor of the request and no comments against the request.

Chairman Daniell asked if there were "raised hands" via Zoom and there were none.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ACTION:

Motion: Mark Saxon made a motion to approve Rezone No. P22-0319 for Burgess Jennings Mill Land, LLC & J.G. Griffeth Investments, LLC; B-2 (Highway Business District) change of conditions from Rezone #7734; ±23.92 acres, 1181 Jennings Mill Road with nine conditions.

Second: Chuck Horton

Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon

Voted Against Motion: None

Final Action: **Motion Passed to approve Rezone #P22-0319 with nine conditions.**
(See documentation in Ordinance and Resolutions Book No. 23.)

Rezone No. P23-0015:

Applicants:	Frank Pittman
Owners:	Charles D. Weirauch & James D. Kilpatrick
Location:	1031 Mallard Lake Drive
Acreage:	±9.23
Zoning:	AR (Agricultural Residential District)
Request:	AR (Agricultural Residential District) to create a minor residential subdivision of three lots.

Presented by: Guy Herring, Planning & Code Enforcement Director
Discussion: Mr. Herring briefed the Board regarding the request for the property, which is currently zoned AR (Agricultural Residential District) in the Suburban Neighborhood Character Area. The applicants/owners request to revise rezone # the property to AR to create a minor residential subdivision of three lots. The property was originally part of the adjacent Mallard Lake Subdivision as a future development area. The Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval of this request with three conditions.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Frank Pittman, Pittman and Greer Engineering, 1400 Saxon Road, agent for the owner, spoke in favor of the rezone modification to allow three lots sharing a private drive to be added to an existing subdivision.

There were no further comments in favor of the request and no comments against the request.

Chairman Daniell asked if there were "raised hands" via Zoom and there were none.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ACTION:

Motion: Chuck Horton made a motion to approve Rezone No. P23-0015 for Charles D. Weirauch & James D. Kilpatrick; ±9.23 acres; 1031 Mallard Lake Drive, with three conditions.
Second: Mark Thomas
Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion: None
Final Action: **Motion Passed to approve Rezone #P23-0015 with three conditions.**
(See documentation in Ordinance and Resolutions Book No. 23.)

Street Light Tax District No. P22-0149:

Presented by:	Guy Herring, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement.
Discussion:	Special Street Light Tax District for Village at Stonebridge, Stonebridge Parkway. B 06AA L1

The Public Comment Period was opened and there was no Public Comment.
Chairman Daniell asked if there were "raised hands" via Zoom and there were none.

ACTION:

Motion: Mark Thomas made a motion to approve Street Light Tax District No. P22-0149.
Second: Chuck Horton
Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion: None
Final Action: **Motion Passed to approve Street Light Tax District P22-0149.**
(See documentation in Ordinance and Resolutions Book No. 23.)

Street Light Tax District No. P22-0162:

Presented by:	Guy Herring, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement.
Discussion:	Special Street Light Tax District for River Rock Phase 1; 2321 More Ford Road
	A 3 L1

*The Public Comment Period was opened and there was no Public Comment.
Chairman Daniell asked if there were "raised hands" via Zoom and there were none.*

ACTION:

Motion: Mark Saxon made a motion to approve Street Light Tax District No. P22-0162.
Second: Amrey Harden
Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion: None
Final Action: **Motion Passed to approve Street Light Tax District P22-0162.**
(See documentation in Ordinance and Resolutions Book No. 23.)

Street Light Tax District No. P23-0034:

Presented by:	Guy Herring, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement.
Discussion:	Special Street Light Tax District for Stonewood Phase III; 1530 Union Church Road
	B 06T L3

*The Public Comment Period was opened and there was no Public Comment.
Chairman Daniell asked if there were "raised hands" via Zoom and there were none.*

ACTION:

Motion: Mark Thomas made a motion to approve Street Light Tax District No. P23-0034.
Second: Chuck Horton
Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion: None
Final Action: **Motion Passed to approve Street Light Tax District P23-0034.**
(See documentation in Ordinance and Resolutions Book No. 23.)

Consent Agenda:

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

ACTION

Motion: Mark Saxon made a motion to approve all items as presented on the Consent Agenda.
Second: Chuck Horton
Voted in Favor of Motion: Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion: None
Final Action: **Motion Passed.**

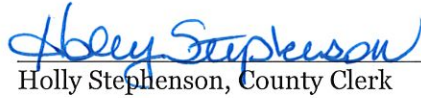
- 1) Approval of the Tax Commissioner Agreement.
- 2) Approval of the FY23 Aging Services Contract with Northeast Georgia Regional Commission.
- 3) Approval of the SR53 at Rays Church/Malcom Bridge Road Right-of-Way Contract.

- 4) Approval of the Acceptance of Sanitary Sewer Easements, Assignment of Easements and Right-of-Way Deeds to Oconee County.
- 5) Approval of a Change Order for Station 1 Air Truck.
- 6) Approval of a Budget Amendment to Fund Sheriff's Office Vehicles and Related Equipment.
- 7) Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with SANE.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion:	Mark Saxon made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Second:	Mark Thomas
Voted in Favor of Motion:	Mark Thomas, Chuck Horton, Amrey Harden, Mark Saxon
Voted Against Motion:	None
Action/Motion:	Motion Passed.
Meeting Adjourned:	6:22 p.m.


Chairman John Daniell


Holly Stephenson, County Clerk

5-2-23
Date