

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a work session on **April 4, 2019 at 3:04pm**, immediately following the called meeting in the Commissioners Conference Room. Those present were Chairman Walker T. Norman; Commissioner Brian Henderson, District One; Commissioner Larry Collins, District Two; Commissioner Cooper Cliatt, District Three; Commissioner Lamar Wade, District Four; Mrs. Penny Arnett, Finance Director; Mr. Roby Seymour, Public Works Director; Mr. Ben Jackson, County Attorney, Alex Zepetis, The Lincoln Journal; Judge Lee Moss and Ms. Sherry McKellar, County Clerk.

1.

Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Norman called the meeting to order at 3:04pm.

2.

Invocation

Attorney Jackson gave the invocation at the Called Meeting

3.

**Jason Wheatley / US Dept of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conversation Services**

Chairman Norman stated that Jason Wheatley with the Natural Resources Conservation Services is asking the County to increase their budget from \$4447.17 to \$6133.00 annually. In FY2018, the NRCS paid out \$57,242.45 for Lincoln County farmers and conservation.

4.

Striping Grant - GDOT Off-System Safety Enhancement Grant

Chairman Norman stated that Lincoln County has received at Striping Grant from Georgia Department of Transportation in the amount of \$333,333.00 for restriping, signage and raised pavement markers. Director Seymour presented a list of the roads that meet the requirements.

5.

Alcohol Ordinance Change – Brew Pub & Breweries

Chairman Norman stated that we will be amending the Alcohol Ordinance to include Brew Pubs & Breweries, Brewer License and No Outside Consumption. These will require two readings before a vote is taken.

6.

Columbia County Intergovernmental Agreement – Service Transit Vans

Chairman Norman informed the Board that the new transit vans require annual inspections by a certified mechanic. He presented an intergovernmental agreement with Columbia County as we do not have a mechanic certified to do the inspections.

7.

Little Roy & Lizzy / Jeff & Sheri Easter

Chairman Norman is asking the Board to donate \$1000 each to Little Roy & Lizzy and Jeff & Sheri Easter as he has been informed that the Chamber will not give them a donation to help advertise their events which bring thousands of visitors to Lincoln County.

8.

Alcohol Beverage License – New

A. Soap Creek Marina & Resort – Class A

B. Willie Mac's – Class C

Clerk McKellar informed the Board that she has two applications to present next week for alcohol beverage licenses.

9.

Public Hearing –

- A. Kevin Beggs – Rezoning Request
- B. HD Construction – Special Use Request
- C. Diane King – Variance Request

Director Seymour informed that Board that he has three items for Public Hearing next week. His Board will make their recommendations at their Board meeting Monday evening.

10.

Development Authority Board Appointment

Chairman Norman stated that he should have an appointment by the Board meeting next week.

11.

Commissioner's Comments

Commissioner Collins asked if anyone had heard a response from Elijah Clark State Park regarding placing photos and bios of Mr. John Drinkard and Mr. James Fortson in the Visitors Center.

Commissioner Cliatt if the County had an ordinance on soil pits and Director Seymour informed him that we do not but the special use request is a borrow pit which has guidelines stipulated by EPD.

Commissioner Wade inquired about Booker T. Elam and Rocky Harrison, Director Seymour informed him that Judge Moss had given Booker T. Elam 30 days and he believed they were up that day. Code Officer Crook has cited him again for three offences. Health Inspector Wasson will be handling Rocky's case.

12.

Executive Session

On a motion by Commissioner Henderson, seconded by Commissioner Cliatt, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:46pm.

On a motion by Commissioner Cliatt, Seconded by Commissioner Henderson, the Board voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 5:12pm.

There were legal matters discussed and there were no votes or actions taken while in executive session.

13.


Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the work session was adjourned at 5:15pm.



Walker T. Norman, Chairman

Attest:


Sherry E. McKellar, County Clerk