

**Lamar County Board of Commissioners**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Present for the meeting were Chairman Glass, Vice-Chairman Traylor, Commissioner Horton, Commissioner Heiney, Commissioner Thrash, County Administrator Townsend, County Clerk Davidson, and County Attorney Mayfield.

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Glass called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

Everyone said the pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Morgan from Antioch Baptist gave the invocation.

**III. Agenda Approval**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve the agenda and Commissioner Horton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Minutes Approval**

Commissioner Heiney made a motion to approve the following four sets of minutes and Vice-Chairman Traylor seconded the motion. Commissioner Thrash abstained from vote for the Public Hearing and the Regular Business Meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 due to being absent for the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- i. Workshop Meeting-July 11th, 2019
- ii. Public Hearing Meeting-July 16th, 2019
- iii. Regular Business Meeting-July 16th, 2019
- iv. Workshop Meeting-July 24th, 2019

**V. Right of Way for Rock Springs Church's sign**

James Varner of 219 Rocksprings Road Milner, Ga addressed the board with a request to replace the current marque sign with a new marque sign, because they have grown, and move it up the road in front of the main Sanctuary. The current marque sign is in front of the Chappel and they want to get rid of it and move it up so it is centralized to their facility. Chairman Glass said that the issue is that it is 3 feet into the County right of way. Mr. Varner said that they took some of the neighborhoods concerns into consideration regarding it being a hazard and dropped the length a foot. Planning and Zoning Administrator Buice stated that the variance for this request that went before the Board of Appeals was for the height of the sign and was approved and the request was for the Board of Commissioners to approve the encroachment on Lamar County's right of way. Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve the 2 ft. encroachment

onto the right of way. Commissioner Heiney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. Building and Zoning Permit Fee Schedule**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve the new Building and Zoning Permit Fee Schedule with an effective date of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Vice-Chairman Traylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VII. First Reading Ordinance 2019-12 Hotel-Motel Excise Tax**

Commissioner Horton made a motion to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 2019-12 Hotel-Motel Excise Tax. Commissioner Heiney seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**VIII. First Reading Ordinance 2019-13 Alcohol Beverage Ordinance**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve the First Reading Ordinance 2019-13 Alcohol Beverage Ordinance. Vice-Chairman Traylor seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**IX. Surplus of 1986 Hurst Tools- Fire Department**

Vice-Chairman Heiney made a motion to approve the surplus of a group of 1986 Hurst extraction tools that were recently replaced. Vice-Chairman Traylor seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**X. Administrator's Report**

County Administrator Townsend gave a cash flow report. He reported that the expenditures were \$276,000.00 over the revenues. He said that his forecast did not include an extra payroll in July or a payment to the Towaliga Circuit in the amount of \$96,280.00. This year it was paid in July and last year it was paid in August. He said that the new Lamar County Health Department had some landscaping and paving that was done in July. County Administrator Townsend reported that the forecast should be back on track in August.

**XI. Public Comments**

There were no Public Comments.

**XII. Round Table**

There were no Round Table comments.

**XIII. Adjournment**

Commissioner Heiney made a motion to adjourn the Regular Business meeting at 7:25 p.m. and Vice-Chairman Traylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

THE LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Charles Glass, Chairman

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Bennie Horton, Commissioner

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Robert Heiney, Commissioner

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Nancy Thrash, Commissioner

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ County Clerk Davidson