

THE SCREVEN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

JULY 11, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of Screven County, Georgia, Mr. Will Boyd, Chairman, Mr. J.C. Warren, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Allison Willis, Mr. Ben Thompson, Ms. Rosa Romeo, Mr. Edwin Lovett and Mr. Mike Dixon met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on July 11, 2023, at the Screven County Courthouse.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Ms. Lori Burke, County Manager, Mr. Aaron Meyer, County Attorney (via zoom), Mrs. Sonya Gordon, Administrative Clerk, Rita Junco, Becca Hughes, Danielle Laverde, James “Jake” Gay and Lagina Evans

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order. Commissioner Lovett gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Romeo made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Willis seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

MINUTES

Commissioner Willis made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023 and June 27, 2023 Commissioners' meetings. Commissioner Romeo seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) **Resolution** Commissioner Thompson made a motion to adopt the Resolution to downsize the members on the Keep Screven Beautiful Board. Commissioner Romeo seconded the motion and it

carried by unanimous vote. (See copy of Resolution in Minute Book page _____).

(2) Appointment/CRC Commissioner Lovett made a motion to appoint Mr. William J. Bland to the CRC Board as At Large Representative for Screven County. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote. Commissioner Romeo thanked Commissioner Thompson for his help in obtaining Mr. Bland for this position.

(3) Discussion Commissioner Romeo stated that several county residents have reached out to her about the Pine Street Park. Ms. Romeo would like to replace the basketball goals and put a fence up around the area. Commissioner Romeo has asked Commissioner Thompson's help in getting quotes for these improvements.

COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Willis announced that the County is back in need of an Animal Control Helper. Mrs. Willis also informed the Board that two interviews have been scheduled for today to try to fill the Animal Control Officer positions. Commissioner Willis thanked J.D. Meadows, (Buildings Maintenance) for fixing the fence and yard at the Animal Shelter. Mrs. Willis reported that two dogs were adopted that were taken to Tractor Supply Company, and she's inquiring about volunteer help for the shelter as well as finding someone to work on updating the ordinances. Commissioner Lovett would like to work on putting a list of Do's and Don'ts on the county's website and Facebook page that will inform County residents of the proper way to deal with stray animals. Commissioner Thompson discussed with the Board the possibility of changing the remainder of the Commissioner's meetings for the year to 6:00 p.m. Mr. Thompson feels that this will give the citizen's who work during the morning hours the opportunity to attend. After a brief discussion the Board agreed to move next month's meeting to 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Dixon reported that the Roads & Bridges Department have three tractors that are down. Mr. Dixon also informed the Board that Mr. Deen of L&B Land Improvements had issues with his equipment as well but plans to be

back operating on Thursday. The Board discussed the idea of contracting out for grass cutting next. Mrs. Lagina Evans gave an update on the hospital. Commissioner Romeo announced that she would keep the Board updated on possible funding from the USDOT.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Warren made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel at 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to return to regular session at 10:47 a.m. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

Chairman

County Manager