

THE SCREVEN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

NOVEMBER 9, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of Screven County, Georgia, Mr. Will Boyd, Chairman, Mr. J.C. Warren, Vice-Chairman, Mr. John O. Triplett, Ms. Allison Willis, Mr. Edwin Lovett, Ms. Rosa Romeo and Mr. Mike Dixon met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on November 9, 2021, at the Screven County Courthouse.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Ms. Lori Boulineau, County Manager, Mr. Hubert Reeves, County Attorney, Mr. Paul Keller Newton, Mr. Uley Robbins, Ms. Lagina Evans, Mr. Terry Roberts, Mr. Clark O'Barr, Mrs. Andrea Waits, Tax Commissioner, Mr. Bobby Smith, Public Works Director.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order. Commissioner Triplett gave the invocation and lead the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

MINUTES

Commissioner Triplett made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 meeting with the addition of the TSPLOST discussion. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPEARANCE(S)

- (1) **Daisy J. Gordon** did not appear.
- (2) **Screven Christian Academy** Mr. Clark O'Barr appeared before the Board to request an exemption for property taxes owed on a property bought after January 8, 2021 by Screven Christian Academy. Commissioner Willis made a motion to write-off and allow the exemption of Screven Christian Academy from the 2021 property taxes from January 9, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. Commissioner Willis, Commissioner Dixon, Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Triplett voted in favor. Commissioner Warren was opposed. Commissioner Lovett and Commissioner Romeo abstained from the vote. The motion carried by majority vote.

NEW BUSINESS

- (1) **2022 LMIG** Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve the 2022 LMIG Road list and submit the application. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Commissioner Lovett, Commissioner Warren, Commissioner Romeo, Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Dixon voted in favor. Commissioner Willis opposed. Commissioner Triplett abstained from the vote. The motion carried by majority vote. (See copy of road list on minute book page ____).
- (2) **Discussion** County Manager Lori Burke discussed changing the annual county holidays. Commissioner Romeo made a motion to allow County Manager to approve and assign eleven (11) county holidays per year. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

COMMISSION/STAFF REPORTS

Commissioner Romeo announced there would be a vacant seat on the Health Board coming up in December and asked the Board for help in finding someone to fill this spot at the December meeting. Commissioner Willis stated that Station 11 was operating and thanked the county and fire department for their work on getting this station operating. Commissioner Triplett stated that

work has begun at the Recreation Department on the tennis courts. County Attorney Hubert Reeves asked the Board if they wished to allow him to move forward with looking into establishing a code to allow a business to import and wholesale distribute alcoholic beverages. The Board agreed by common consent without objection. Ms. Lagina Evans gave an update on the hospital. County Manager Lori Burke informed that due to a resent complaint, Standards and Training came and done an inspection and audit of our County Fire Department and everything was in order and they received great reviews.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Willis made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and land acquisition at 10:05 A.M. Commissioner Willis seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Warren made a motion to return to regular session at 10:50 A.M. Commissioner Romeo seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Warren made a motion to approve the minutes of the executive session. Commissioner Willis seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Willis made a motion to approve the use of ARP Funds to give premium to essential workers of the county. Commissioner Triplett seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:52 A.M.

Chairman

County Manager