

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2018**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, April 17, 2018, at 5:45 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER
BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER**

OTHERS PRESENT

**JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK
MEDIA
12 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

County Administrator Ledbetter discussed with the Board each item on the agenda for the Regular Meeting and explained the rezonings. There were no changes or additions made to the Agenda.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business, the Work Session adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Becky Hood, Chairman

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2018**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on April 17, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER
BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER**

OTHERS PRESENT

**JIM LEDBETTER, CTY. ADMINISTRATOR
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK
MEDIA
14 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was led by Commissioner Owens. The pledge of allegiance was led by Chairman Hood.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hood asked if there are any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session April 10, 2018, and the Regular Meeting April 10, 2018. Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Cunningham, Sexton, and Steward voted aye. Motion approved.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Ledbetter read the report into the record. (copy attached).

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Owens reported that he attended a meeting with representatives from Gordon Hospital regarding the contract proposal, also facilitated the Leadership Calhoun/Gordon Outdoor Adventure, and spoke on Leadership at Berry College. Commissioner Steward commented that he and Commissioner Cunningham and Chairman Hood attended the Republican Party meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to open the public hearing for zoning. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

APPLICATION #Z18-05 DONALD AND ANGELA STANLEY'S REQUEST TO REZONE FROM A-1 TO R-6

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a rezoning request from Donald and Angela Stanley to rezone from A-1 to R-6. This comes to the Board of Commissioner from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. Also advised that there is a comment on one of the departmental reviews from the Road Department that the property has an existing

driveway but does not meet county code due to size of the pipe and type. Property owner will need to contact Public Works for proper installation and permit. No one signed to speak for or against the rezoning.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the rezoning from A-1 to R-6. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Steward, Owens, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

APPLICATION #Z18-06 PILGRIMS PRIDE CORPORATION'S REQUEST TO REZONE FROM A-1 TO I-1

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a rezoning request from Pilgrim's Pride Corporation to rezone from A-1 to I-1. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. No one signed to speak in opposition to the rezoning. This matter is for construction of a feed mill. Mr. Jeff Watkins representing the applicant came before the Board to explain the rezoning and to answer questions. Mr. Watkins advised that the company presently operates a mill in Calhoun, that site is much outdated. If the zoning is approved, it will allow the company to move the existing operation to this location and the company will be retaining the existing 68 employees and will add 5 to 10 new jobs initially. Unlike the present location with rail service, they won't have the issue, because the planned rail loop will keep trains from blocking traffic. Mr. Watkins said he could not comment on the company's plans for future growth or expansion of this facility.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the rezoning request from A-1 to I-1. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Owens, Sexton, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.

APPLICATION #Z18-07 BRENDA BROCK'S REQUEST TO REZONE FROM A-1 TO R-1

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a rezoning request from Brenda Brock to rezone from A-1 to R-1. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. No one signed to speak for or against the rezoning request. Commissioner Sexton commented that there is a comment from Environmental Health Services concerning the well on the property which must be filled. Administrator Ledbetter noted that there is a letter included stating that the well has been filled in and sealed as of March 29, 2018.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the rezoning. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Steward, Cunningham, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to close the public hearing for zoning. Commissioners Owens seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion passed.

CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

RE-APPOINTMENT OF DEWAYNE BOWEN TO THE NORTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM ENDING 12/31/18

Chairman Hood advised that this is a re-appointment to the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission for Wayne Bowen for a one-year term ending 12/31/18.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the re-appointment of DeWayne Bowen. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Sexton, Owens, Steward, and Cunningham voted aye. Motion passed.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR A 2009 YAMAHA V STAR 650 VIN#26443 AND A 2009 YAMAHA V STAR 650 VIN #25398

Chairman Hood advised that this is a request from the Sheriff's Department for a declaration of surplus property for a 2009 Yamaha V Star 650 VIN#26443 and a 2009 Yamaha V Star 650 VIN#25398.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the declaration of surplus property. Commission Steward seconded the motion and Commissioner Sexton, Steward, Cunningham, and Owens voted aye. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Becky Hood, Chairman