

**REGULAR SESSION  
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MONDAY, July 14, 2014 (6:00 P.M.)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, July 14, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room in the Administrative Building. Member of the Commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Sherry Miley and Commissioners Donnie Hester, Mike Jones, Robert Setters, Buck Rigdon and Melissa Hughes.

Chairman Thompson asked Commissioner Hester to give the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

**Minutes:** Motion approving the minutes of June 3, 2014 Workshop Session; June 5, 2014 Budget Workshop Session; June 9, 2014 Regular Session; June 12, 2014 Budget Public hearing and June 18, 2014 Called Meetings was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** None

**Public Hearings:**

A. TC-ZA-14-02: Petition by Sunsweet Estates for a change in zoning on 17.05 acres from PDO (Planned Development Overlay) to R-1 (Residential, Single Family) to develop 7 single family residential lots ranging in size between 1.2 and 2.5 acres. The property is comprised of portions of parcels 027-19 and 27-19E located at the northeast corner of Club View Drive and U S Highway 41: Todd Miller went over the staff report with the Board and was available for any questions.

The County Attorney then cited the posting on the wall of the Exercise of Zoning Powers and Conflicts of Interest. He asked if a Board member at this time had any conflict of Interest. No Conflict was declared and the Chairman opened the scheduled Public Hearing.

Nathan Johnson, 67 Sunsweet Drive spoke in favor of the rezoning request.

There was no opposition and no further comments and the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman Miley to approve TC-ZA-14-02 rezoning request from Sunsweet Estates, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**G. Motion authorizing staff to apply for the 2014 Emergency Management Performance Grant/Response and Recovery which requires a 25% local match**

**H. Motion authorizing staff to apply for the 2014 Emergency Management Performance Grant/Planning and Preparedness which requires a 25% local match**

**I. Motion authorizing staff to apply for the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program for the Tift County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Grant which requires a 25% local match**

**J. Motion to adopt a Tift County Debris Management Plan to provide for the disposition of debris following a disaster**

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Vice Chairman Miley. Motion carried unanimously.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**B. TC-FSD-14-01: Petition by Sunsweet Estates for the subdivision of 17.05 acres of land into 7 single family residential lots ranging in size between 1.4 acres and 4.3 acres on property located at the northeast corner of Club View Drive and U S Highway 41: The staff report was given during the explanation of the rezoning request for the same piece of property. Motion was**

made by Commissioner Rigdon to approve TC-FSD-14-01 petition by Sunsweet Estates, seconded by Vice Chairman Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Appointment and Reappointments to the Animal Control Dangerous Dog Board:** The County Attorney advised the Board that the adopted process for Board appointments is to first open the floor for nominations and once all nominations have been made, close the nominations and then call for the question. The persons being nominated must have had an application submitted to the County Clerk. In this particular case there are no applications for a considered appointment to this the Animal Control Dangerous Dog Board to replace any of the members already serving and each of the members has shown a desire to continue serving. In this situation if the Board so chooses he deems it proper to appointment all members now serving without the nomination process being conducted. Motion was made by Commissioner Setters to reappoint Patty Beasley, Nancy Johnson, Heath Barry, Steve Wood, Doris Yancey and Willie Gainer to serve another three (3) year term to expire July 2017, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

There is one vacant slot on this Board and an application has been turned in to the County Clerk from Jimmy Taylor. The Chairman opened the floor for nominations. Vice Chairman nominated Jimmy Taylor. There were no further nominations and the Chairman closed the process. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Miley to appoint Jimmy Taylor to the Animal Control Dangerous Dog Board to serve a three (3) year term expiring on July 2017, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Alternate Bid Selection of Dump Truck Lease:** During the May Meeting the Board approved a five year lease with Transpower Inc for five (5) dump trucks. The County Attorney advised the Board that staff cannot reach an agreement to purchase the Mack trucks from Transpower; we were unable to make a clean deal with this company through their financing mechanism. Staff has attached for your consideration documentation for the next lowest bid for the lease/purchase of the dump trucks from Yancey Brothers. The County Attorney is recommending approval of the purchase from Yancey Brothers so we can get them on order because they are sixteen (16) weeks out on a delivery date.

Motion to rescind the previous motion in the May 2014 minutes to purchase the dump trucks from Transpower was made by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to lease/purchase the five (5) dump trucks from Yancey Brothers in the amount of \$103,011.89 per year on a five (5) year lease agreement to be paid from SLOST funds was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. Award bid of CDBG Project for Robert Oliver Road & Sutton Circle:** Jason Jordan advised the Board that bids were opened on Thursday, July 10, 2014 as advertised. We received a total of five (5) bids. HTS construction, Inc. from Albany was the low bidder at \$729,769.58. Watkins & Associates along with staff recommends that the project be award to HTS Construction to construct the FY 2013 CDBG Street & Drainage Improvements for Robert Oliver Road and Sutton Circle. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to award the bid to HTS Construction in the low bid amount of \$729,769.58, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Award bid for Jordan Road/Project between Tift County, DOT and Development**

**Authority:** Jason Jordan advised the Board that bids were opened on Thursday, July 10, 2014 as advertised. We received a total of five (5) bids. The Scruggs Company from Valdosta was the low bidder at \$501,879.30. Watkins & Associates along with staff recommends that the project be awarded to the Scruggs Company for the Jordan Road Full Depth Reclamation to be funded through SPLOST V, GDOT and the Tift County Development Authority. Motion to award the bid to Scruggs Company in the amount of \$501,879.30 was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**K. Appointments and Reappointments to the Athletic Advisory Committee:** The County Attorney advised of the same process as explained in Item C for the reappointments to the Athletic Advisory Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Setters to reappoint Carl Johnson, Bobby Fresh, Curtis Richards, Chad Alexander and Scott Burges whose terms expired May 2013 to serve for another three (3) year term ending May 2016, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jones to reappoint Steve Hyman, Dickie Robinson, Tim McRae, Crystal Craft and Mitch Williams to serve another three (3) year term ending May 2017, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

There is one vacant seat on the Athletic Advisory Committee and a Board Application has been turned into the County Clerk from Rusty Harrelson. The Chairman opened the floor for nominations. Vice Chairman Miley nominated Rusty Harrelson. There were no other nominations and the Chairman closed the process. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Miley to appoint Rusty Harrelson to fill the unexpired term of Brett Henderson expiring May 2016.

**Commissioners Comments:**

Commissioner Hughes invited and reminded everyone that “The Taste of Africa” is this weekend at the UGA Center.

**County Manager Comments: None**

**Executive Session:** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

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Vice Chairman Sherry Miley, District 4

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Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1

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Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2

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Commissioner Robert Setters, Dist. 3

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Commissioner F. W. (Buck) Rigdon, District 5

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Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glynda Hemby, County Clerk  
07/14/2014