

GREATER LOWNDES PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
325 WEST SAVANNAH AVENUE  
Monday, May 20, 2024 – 5:30 PM

**GLPC Commission Members Present:** Ron Bythwood, Franklin Bailey, James Miller, Steve Miller (Vice-Chair), Vicki Rountree, and Chip Wildes

**GLPC Commission Members Absent:** Johnny Ball, Ed Hightower, Chris Webb and Tommy Willis

**Staff:** Jamie Horne – Remerton Fire Chief; Matt Martin - City of Valdosta Planner; Jason Davenport – Lowndes County Projects Assistant; and Molly Stevenson - Lowndes County Planning Analyst (Clerk)

**VISITORS PRESENT:**

(Sign-In sheet available in file.)

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Chair Steve Miller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Commissioner James Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. Vice-Chair Miller welcomed everyone to the GLPC meeting and explained that the Planning Commission serves as an advisory (recommending) body to the local member governments regarding land use requests, and the final determination of the requests presented at this meeting will be made by the applicable local governments. Vice-Chair Miller then explained the meeting procedures and announced the dates of the public hearings for the local member governments, as listed on the agenda.

**Agenda Item #2**

**Approval of the Meeting Minutes: April 29, 2024**

Vice-Chair Miller called for additions, questions, and corrections of the April 29, 2024, GLPC meeting minutes. There being none, Vice-Chair Miller called for a motion. Commissioner Bythwood made a motion to approve the April 29, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner James Miller second. All voted in favor, no one opposed (5-0). Motion carried.

**Agenda Items #3 & #4**

- V-2024-01 Bryce Nerland, 1526 Woodard St., 0084B 094, ~0.35 acre  
Variance to reduce side & front yard setbacks
- V-2024-02 Bryce Nerland, 1526 Woodard St., 0084B 094A, ~0.18 acre  
Variance to reduce side & front yard setbacks

Fire Chief Horne presented both requests together in which the applicant is requesting Variances to the side and front yard setbacks on two parcels consisting of: 0084B-094 and 0084B-094A with the address of 1526 Woodard St, Remerton, GA. For reference, in 2013, a variance request was