

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
WORK SESSION
Tuesday, November 12, 2024 - 8:30 AM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Commissioner Joyce Evans
Commissioner Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker
Commissioner Clay Griner

Vice Chairman Marshall was not present.

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Commissioner Wisenbaker arrived at 8:47 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes were presented for the regular session of October 22, 2024. There was no work session meeting held on Monday, October 21, 2024. There were no revisions to the minutes requested.

APPOINTMENT

Greater Lowndes Planning Commission

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the appointments. Mrs. Dukes stated the term held by Mr. Ed Hightower and Ms. Vicki Biles have expired. Mr. Hightower has expressed a desire to continue to serve. Mr. Calvin Graham, Mr. Brice Evans and Mr. Blake Robinson have expressed an interest in being appointed. Chairman Slaughter mentioned that Mr. Graham was previously a city appointee on this board. Chairman Slaughter mentioned Ms. Biles has moved out of Lowndes County.

PUBLIC HEARING

TXT-2024-03 ULDC Amendments

County Planner, J.D. Dillard and Projects Assistant, Jason Davenport presented this item. Mr. Dillard stated this text amendment focuses on two key areas: the maximum number of lots accessible from a single point of ingress/egress and the creation, implementation and enforcement of a tree bank. Mr. Davenport stated there are four updates to present since the packet was received last week. The first update is the private water system requirements and having a generator-based back-up power required to be maintained and to have the capability to consistently serve the entire system. County Manager, Paige Dukes stated staff is looking for direction from the commission regarding existing water systems and if interested in pursuing that, but for now, this is regarding new water systems. Chairman Slaughter asked EMA Director, Ashley Tye at some point FEMA or GEMA had a grant