

**MINUTES**

**Troup County Board of Commissioners**

**January 19, 2010**

**Troup County Government Center Building**

Troup County Board of Commissioners Chairman Richard Wolfe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Board Members Present:**

Richard Wolfe, Chairman  
Ken Smith, Vice-Chairman  
Morris Jones, Commissioner  
Buck Davis, Commissioner  
Richard English, Commissioner

**News Media Present:**

Joel Martin, LaGrange Daily News  
Judy Murphy, Troup County News  
Matthew Strother, Valley News  
David Woody, TV 33  
Annie McCallum, Columbus Ledger

**Staff Present:**

Mike Dobbs, County Manager  
Tod Tentler, Assistant County Manager/ Parks & Recreation Director  
Stewart Mills, Finance Officer / County Clerk  
Jerry Willis, County Attorney  
James Emery, County Engineer  
Cheryl May, Accounting Clerk  
Scott Turk, Zoning Administrator  
Valerie West, Executive Assistant to Board of Commissioners

**Others Present:**

Ellen Gilmore, Concerned Citizen  
Nancy Green, Concerned Citizen  
Connie Stothard, Surveyor

**OPENING:**

Chairman Richard Wolfe welcomed all in attendance.

**Invocation - Reverend John Mattox - Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church:**

Reverend John Mattox of Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church was recognized by Chairman Wolfe and asked to pronounce the invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Commissioner Davis led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA / MINUTES:**

**Approval of Agenda:**

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.  
Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Commissioner English made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

**PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- None.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

**Consideration of Setting & Publishing Qualifying Fees for Upcoming Election:**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the schedule of qualifying fees for the 2010 elected offices. This fee was verified by the County

Attorney's Office. The list of fees was as follows:

County Commission Chairman.....	\$216.00
County Commissioner District #5.....	\$180.00

Qualifying fees for the offices listed above will begin at 9:00 a.m. on April 26, 2010 and will end at 12:00 noon on April 30, 2010.

The General Primary will be held on November 2, 2010.

Troup County Chief Magistrate Court Judge Non Partisan ..	\$1,894.94
Board of Education District #1.....	\$252.00
Board of Education District #4.....	\$390.00
Board of Education District #7.....	\$186.00

Qualifying fees for the offices listed above will begin at 9:00 a.m. on June 28, 2010 and will end at 12:00 noon on July 20, 2010.

The General Election will be held on November 2, 2010.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the schedule of qualifying fees. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Approval of Gabbettville Road Contract:**

County Engineer James Emery presented a state aid contract for Gabbettville Road that would cover the paving of 1.7 miles for a total of \$95,415.74. The contract would cover ½ the cost and the remainder amount would come from SPLOST. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the Gabbettville Road contract. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into public hearings.

Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous. Chairman Wolfe announced

that during the public hearings, comments from those in attendance were welcomed.

**OTHER:**

- None.

**REZONING:**

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk reminded the commissioners of the six standards for evaluating rezoning applications.

2nd Hearing - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary - Continued from 1/5/2010

Melissa Phillips (for Eric Brandon Swanson) - Agricultural to Agricultural Residential  
5.069 Acre parcel located at 740 Floyd Road

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented the application by Ms. Melissa Phillips (for Eric Swanson) for 5.069 acre parcel located at 740 Floyd Road to rezone from Agricultural to Agricultural Residential. Board of Zoning Appeals Planning Commission (BOZAPC) recommended approval unanimously and the staff recommended disapproval. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of or against the rezoning application. Mr. Brandon Swanson spoke in favor. No one spoke against the rezoning application. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the rezoning application. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**Subdivisions:**

- None.

**OTHER:**

1st Hearing - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Chapman's Truck Stop - Application for Wine & Malt Beverage License  
Applicant: Sarah A. Chapman  
Location: 2560 Whitesville Road

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the application by Ms. Sarah A. Chapman of Chapman's Truck Stop to sell wine & malt beverages at 2560 Whitesville Road. Ms. Chapman's application has been reviewed and signed by Sheriff Donny Turner certifying a GCIC background check has been completed and no criminal activity in the last five years has been

found. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of the wine & malt beverage license. Ms. Sarah Chapman spoke in favor. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak against the wine & malt beverage license. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the wine & malt beverage license. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

1<sup>st</sup> Hearing - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Willowood Grocery - Application for Wine & Malt Beverage License

Applicant: Emmett Davis

Location: 547 Willowood Road

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the application by Mr. Emmett Davis to sell wine & malt beverages at 547 Willowood Road. Mr. Davis' application has been reviewed and signed by Sheriff Donny Turner certifying a GCIC background check has been completed and no criminal activity in the last five years has been found. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak for or against the wine & malt beverage license. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the wine & malt beverage license. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- None.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

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Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stewart P. Mills, Clerk