

CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 P.M.

1/4/2024 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman Jesse Crews, along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, James Everett; County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; HR Clerk Becky Harden; County Attorney John Adams; and visitors as recorded hereafter. Commissioners Drew Jones and Luke Gowen were absent.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Everett led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Everett made motion to approve the January 4, 2024 Agenda. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously,.

4. CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS OF CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN & COUNTY ATTORNEY

Commissioner Benefield made motion to reappoint Jesse Crews as Chairman for 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Everett made motion to reappoint Alpha Benefield as Vice Chairman for 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman and Vice Chairman did not take part in voting for their respective position in the above two motions.

Commissioner Everett made motion to reappoint John Adams as County Attorney for 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Everett made motion to adopt the December 21, 2023 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2024 CALENDAR AND HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Commissioner Everett made motion to adopt the 2024 Meeting Calendar. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Calendar becomes integral part of Minutes.

Commissioner Benefield made motion to adopt the 2024 Holiday Schedule. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Holiday Schedule becomes integral part of Minutes.

7. CONSIDER TERM APPOINTMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve the following term appointments that expired December 31, 2023:

Fire Board - Mike Harris - 2 year appointment
Orival Thompson - 2 year appointment
Jesse Crews - 1 year appointment

DEFACS - Brenda Gowen - 5 year appointment

Library - Linda Pina - 3 year appointment

St. Marys River Management -
Merrill Varn - 4 year appointment (Property Owner)
Sam Williams - 4 year appointment (Property Owner)
Chip Campbell - 4 year appointment (At Large)
Russell Barber - 4 year appointment (At Large)

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR BEULAH LAND FARMS

Commissioner Benefield made motion to table approval of preliminary plat for Beulah Land Farms. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Everett, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

Road Superintendent Ronnie Pollock reported road department is in good shape. Mr. Pollock informed the Board that Stokes Road, in St. George, approximately 1/2 mile is in pretty bad shape, and asked for someone with more expertise to inspect, stating that the overflow on the bridge (when water comes up the road washes out). County Administrator Raulerson stated that Hofstadter is scheduled to come down in a couple of weeks, and will ask for inspection of bridge at that time.

Mr. Pollock also reported that one trash truck is down.

10. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Everett asked for status of auditorium repairs and asked if auditorium will be ready for voting? Mr. Raulerson stated he is waiting on report from Engineer.

Commissioner Benefield thanked the Board for their confidence in her as Vice Chairman.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

None.

12. NEXT BOC MEETING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM, 6:00 P.M.

13. ADJOURN

Commissioner Everett made motion that meeting be adjourned at 6:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by

Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Jesse A. Crews, Chairman

Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk