

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION

WORK SESSION MINUTES

February 25, 2008

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 120 of the Central Square Government Center on February 25, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Jeff Sinyard called the meeting to order. Commissioners present were Lamar Hudgins, Chuck Lingle, Art Searles, and Jack Stone. Also present were Richard Crowdis, County Administrator; Spencer Lee, County Attorney; Barbara Engram, County Clerk; and Nancy Hillsman, Administrative Secretary. Representatives of the media were present.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Harris Berne who stated he was against the zoning request at Old Pretoria Road and Camden Lane.

The Chairman recognized Lisa Riddle, Convention Services Manager, Albany Convention and Visitors Bureau, who discussed the upcoming Second Annual Snickers Marathon Energy Bar Marathon. Lisa stated that 841 runners are currently registered, and 41 states are represented as well as Canada and the Federated States of Micronesia. The Marathon will be followed by a free Kid's Bike Race, and a Professional Bicycle Race. Downtown Albany's Mardi Gras Celebration will be held from 12:00 noon until Midnight. Entertainment and vendors will fill the streets of Albany. All Marathon volunteers will receive free tickets for the Marathon.

Chairman Sinyard called for review of the minutes of the February 11 Work Session, February 11 Special Called Meeting, and February 18, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes for approval at the next meeting.

The Chairman called for discussion of Excel Pecan Co., LLC, owner's request to rezone 2425 Ozell Williams Road (2 acres) from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1 (Single Family Residential District). The Planning Commission recommends approval.

The Chairman called for discussion of the Coley Musgrove, LLP, owner's request to rezone 14.002 acres at the northwest corner of Old Pretoria Road and Camden Lane from R-G (Single Family Residential District) to R-1 (Single Family Residential District). The Planning Commission recommends approval. It was pointed out that the property was already zoned for houses.

The Chairman called for discussion of the following proposed appointments:

Keep Albany Dougherty Beautiful- One appointment to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2008. KADB has requested that Don Buie, the new Downtown Manager, be appointed to fill the vacancy.

Golden Triangle Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D Council) - One appointment for a two year term ending December 31, 2009.

Southwest Georgia Community Action Council, Inc. - One appointment by virtue of the Office of the Chairman.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK