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**FRANKLIN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
December 3, 2018  
6:00 P.M.**

**BOC:**                    *Commission Chairman Thomas Bridges  
District 1 Commissioner Robert Franklin  
District 2 Commissioner Dr. Jason Macomson  
District 3 Commissioner Jeff Jacques  
District 4 Commissioner Eddie Wester*

**Media:**                *Shane Scoggins, Franklin County Citizen Leader*

**Staff:**                 *County Manager Beth Thomas  
County Clerk Elaine Evans  
County Attorney Bubba Samuels*

**Item 1:      *Call meeting to order*** – *Chairman Bridges called the regular board meeting to order and welcomed everyone.*

**Item 2:      *Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance*** – *Chairman Bridges led the invocation and pledge of allegiance to the American flag.*

**Item 3:      *Approval of Minutes***

*November 5, 2018 public hearing  
November 5, 2018 regular meeting  
November 27, 2018 work session*

*Chairman Bridges said the November meeting minutes were sent to the Commissioners for review. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Macomson made the motion to approve the public hearing, regular meeting and work session minutes for November as presented. Chairman Bridges asked for a second. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Bridges asked for a show of hands. The minutes were approved by five (5) **YES** votes to zero (0) **NO** votes. The **YES** votes were Dr. Macomson, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Wester, Commissioner Jacques and Chairman Bridges.*

**Item 4:      *Items for discussion***

A.      ***Public Comment*** – *None.*



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## **B. Public Hearing items**

Conditional use permit for **Pilot Travel Centers** - Chairman Bridges asked Mrs. Thomas to give the recommendation from the Planning Commission for the conditional use permit for Pilot Travel Centers. Mrs. Thomas stated Pilot Travel Centers applied for a conditional use permit for truck repairs on their existing site. She said the zoning regulations for Franklin County is specific for the need of a conditional use for auto and truck repair even in the commercial zoning classification. Pilot Travel Centers made the application and came before the Planning Commission. There has been no public objection to this request. Mrs. Thomas gave the recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the conditional use permit for Pilot Travel Centers.

Chairman Bridges asked for a motion to accept the recommendation from Mrs. Thomas and the Planning Commission. Commissioner Wester made the motion to approve based on the recommendation from the Planning Commission. Chairman Bridges asked for a second. Dr. Macomson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Bridges asked for a show of hands. The motion passed by five (5) **YES** votes to zero (0) **NO** votes. The **YES** votes were Commissioner Wester, Commissioner Jacques, Dr. Macomson, Commissioner Franklin and Chairman Bridges.

Rezoning request for **Pacolet Milliken** – Chairman Bridges asked Mrs. Thomas to go over the rezoning request for Pacolet Milliken. Mrs. Thomas said the site on Hwy 59 previously operated as an industrial plant and was in operation when zoning went into effect in the County. When researching the property for marketing it was discovered the zoning is commercial general. Mrs. Thomas said this property is well studied for industrial use and is in the character area map classification for industrial use. It makes sense to change the zoning for the highest and best use of the land. Pacolet Milliken came before the Planning Commission with no opposition. Mrs. Thomas gave the recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning request.

Chairman Bridges asked for a motion to accept the recommendation from Mrs. Thomas and the Planning Commission. Commissioner Franklin made the motion to approve the rezoning request from Pacolet Milliken. Chairman Bridges asked for a second. Dr. Macomson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Bridges asked for a show of hands. The motion passed by five (5) **YES** votes to zero (0) **NO** votes. The **YES** votes were Chairman Bridges, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Wester, Commissioner Jacques and Dr. Macomson.

## **C. LMIG**

Chairman Bridges stated LMIG was discussed at the work session. He asked Mrs. Thomas to give more information on this item. Mrs. Thomas said no feedback was received for the roads that were presented at the work session. She recommended approval of the list that was presented at the work session which is for a limited amount of resurfacing. The roads are Dove Hill Road, a portion of Stone Bridge Road and a portion of Newtown Road at a total estimated cost of \$738,109.79. The County has a 30%



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match with the remainder coming from GDOT LMIG.

Chairman Bridges asked for a motion to approve the recommendation given by Mrs. Thomas. Commissioner Jacques made the motion to move forward with the recommendation from staff. Chairman Bridges asked for a second. Commissioner Wester seconded the motion. Dr. Macomson questioned if the roads from last year's list were completed. Mrs. Thomas said the list from last year has recently been completed with an excess of a few thousand dollars. The excess will most likely be put into patching. Commissioner Franklin asked Mrs. Thomas to take a look at Brown Road for possible patching. Chairman Bridges asked for a show of hands. The motion passed by five (5) **YES** votes to zero (0) **NO** votes. The **YES** votes were Commissioner Wester, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Jacques, Dr. Macomson and Chairman Bridges.

#### **D. Board appointments/updates**

Chairman Bridges asked Mrs. Thomas to give an update on the board appointments. Mrs. Thomas gave her recommendation to reappoint Dan Stroud to the Tax Assessors Board. The application from Mr. Stroud was the only one received for the Tax Assessors Board and he has been serving on this board and is willing to continue his service. Chairman Bridges asked for a motion to reappoint Dan Stroud to the Tax Assessors Board. Dr. Macomson made the motion to reappoint Dan Stroud. Chairman Bridges asked for a second. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Chairman Bridges asked for a show of hands. The motion passed by five (5) **YES** votes to zero (0) **NO** votes. The **YES** votes were Dr. Macomson, Commissioner Wester, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Jacques and Chairman Bridges.

Mrs. Thomas said no new applications have been received for the Recreation Board. She asked everyone to reach out for people to serve. Commissioner Wester stated Barry Peets is interested and asked if his application is still on file. Mrs. Evans told the Commissioners she would email it to them for review.

Mrs. Thomas said two applications have been received for the Planning Commission. Both of these applications have been sent to the Commissioners for review. She asked the Commission Board to make the Planning Commission appointments at the January 7, 2019 regular board meeting.

#### **E. Announcements**

Mrs. Thomas said there will not be a December work session because it falls on Christmas Day. She asked the Commissioners to review their calendars for a date for the planning session. Chairman Bridges said this will probably be toward the middle of January. Mrs. Thomas asked the Commissioners to give her the dates they cannot attend and she will work from there. She also stated this meeting is open to the public and notifications will be sent to everyone. Commissioner Wester and Dr. Macomson said to especially include the constitutional officers. The constitutional officers are included in all meeting invitations sent out by the Clerk.



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*Chairman Bridges wished everyone Merry Christmas! He thanked everyone for attending. Chairman Bridges adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.*

*Signed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019*

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*Chairman J. Thomas Bridges*

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*Robert L. Franklin, District 1 Commissioner*

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*Dr. Jason Macomson, District 2 Commissioner*

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*Ryan Swails, District 3 Commissioner*

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*Eddie Wester, District 4 Commissioner*

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*Elaine H. Evans, County Clerk*