

**Lamar County Board of Commissioners**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Present for the meeting were Chairman Traylor, Vice-Chair Gilles, Commissioner Fletcher, Commissioner Lovett, Commissioner Thrash, County Administrator Townsend, County Clerk Davidson, and County Attorney Mayfield. The meeting was available via Zoom.

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Traylor called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

Everyone said the Pledge of Allegiance and was led by the Boy Scouts Troup 38 Founded February 1946. Pastor Jason Teal of the First Baptist Church of Barnesville gave the invocation.

**III. Agenda Approval**

Commissioner Gilles made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Recess for Public Hearing**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to recess the Regular Business Meeting to go not a Public Hearing. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**V. Public Hearing**

Planning and Community Development Director presented a rezoning application for Michael Grammer Request for Rezoning from C-2 to R-4 for property located at 508 Highway 18 West (Tax Map 036, Parcel 035). The property has always been residential. In the early 2000's the owner operated a dog grooming business and the property was re-zoned as Commercial. The owner lived on the property. The new owners would like to have it rezoned back to residential for mortgage purposes. The Joint Planning Commission recommended approval. No one was there to speak against the application.

**VI. Public Hearing Comments**

There were no Public Hearing Comments.

**VII. Reconvene the Regular Business Meeting**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to come out of the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Business Meeting. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **VIII. Minutes Approval**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve the minutes. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- i. Regular Business Meeting-July 16th, 2024
- ii. Workshop Minutes-July 11th, 2024

### **IX. Proclamation**

Commissioner Fletcher presented a Proclamation to the Lamar County 10U baseball team. This was a young team of 4 coaches and 11 dedicated players. They were the first baseball team throughout Lamar Recreation to win a State Title. They made their way to the World Series in Baton Rouge and won all three pool games, placing them in the Gold Bracket. In the bracket, they defeated Aledo, Texas, and lost to Tallassee. They battled back to defeat neighboring Bloomfield from Macon. They won a close match against Marbury. They placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 28 teams from Georgia, Alabama, Texas, Mississippi, Florida, and Tennessee. The 2024 10U Baseball team includes the following players and coaches: Roger “Bubba” Samples, Jeffery Sloan, Terrell Self, Josh Griffis, Dailen Evans, Kason Samples, Derek Harpe Jr., Cameron Stevens, Colby Guthrie, Trevor Smallwood, Jax Sloan, Layton Selph, Cohen Epperson, Nathan Griffis, and Blake Matthews.

### **X. Board Appointments**

1. Board Appointment Acknowledgement Republican Party-Mike Perry

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to acknowledge the appointment of Mike Perry to the Republican Party Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Facility Board

Commissioner Fletcher made a motion to appoint Sylvia Bush serving as the District 1 Public Facility Board Member. The term is for three years and will expire on 8-17-2027. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lovette made a motion to appoint Keith Hendricks serving as the District 2 Public Facility Board Member. The term is for three years and will expire on 8-17- 2027. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**XI. Old Business**

None

**XII. New Business**

**Ordinance 2024-06 Michael Grammer Request for Rezoning from C-2 to R-4 for property located at 508 Highway 18 West (Tax Map 036, Parcel 035)**

Commissioner Fletcher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-06 Michael Grammer Request for Rezoning from C-2 to R-4 for property located at 508 Highway 18 West (Tax Map 036, Parcel 035). Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 2024-03 Judicial in Rem Tax Sales**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-03 Judicial in Rem Tax Sales. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 2024-04 BOC Millage Rate**

Commissioner Fletcher made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-04 BOC Millage Rate whereas the value of all taxable property in the County for 2024 as it appears on the digest thereof will be \$789,914,501; and the Lamar County Board of Commissioners hereby sets a millage rate of 10.0920 mills for the 2024 tax year on all taxable property in the County, both within the unincorporated areas and municipalities located therein. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion. Vice-Chair Gilles and Commissioner Thrash denied the motion. Chairman Traylor approved the motion to break the tie. The motion passed 3-2.

**Resolution 2024-05 LOST Millage**

Commissioner Fletcher made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-05 LOST Millage Rate whereas Lamar County, both the unincorporated areas and the municipalities located therein, shall receive a 2.1787 mill roll-back for the local option sales tax leaving a net millage rate of 10.0920 for 2024. Commissioner Lovett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 2024-06 BOE Millage Rate**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06 BOE Millage Rate acknowledging the recommendation of the Lamar County Board of Education where it is ordered that upon \$799,081,945 the net value of all property taxable for educational purposes in Lamar County as shown on the digest thereof, there be and hereby is levied a tax, ad valorem, on all property in Lamar County, real and personal, for the year 2024 for Maintenance and Operation (M &O) educational purposes, in the amount of 14.000 per \$1,000.00 of the assessed

valuation of the digest. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 2024-07 BOE BOND Millage Rate**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-07 BOE Bond Millage Rate acknowledging the recommendation of the Lamar County Board of Education, where it is ordered that upon \$799,081,945, the value of all property taxable for educational purposes in Lamar County as shown on the digest thereof, there be and hereby is levied a tax, ad valorem, on all property in Lamar County, real and personal, for the year 2024 for bond repayment purposes, in the amount of 1.50 per \$1,000.00 of the assessed valuation of the digest. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ACCG 2024 Voting Delegate**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Commissioner Nancy Thrash as the ACCG 2024 voting delegate for Lamar County. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Fletcher noted that the voting delegate will need to be approved again next year.

**Roof Bid For the Courthouse**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Certified Roofing for the roofing bid for a cost of \$203,245.92. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Brick Bid for the Courthouse**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Certified Roofing for the brick bid of \$30,800.00. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Bridge Guardrail Bid**

Commissioner Thrash made a motion to approve Martin-Robbins for the Bridge Guardrail replacement bid for a cost of \$148,976.00. This will include Zebulon Road and Old Hwy 41. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**GADOT Proposal**

County Administrator Townsend reported he met with GDOT for over a year regarding Hwy 36 and Hwy 41 and Atlanta Street and Hwy 41. These is a safety issues with the trucks going from Hwy 41 over to Hwy 36. The recommendation is to take out the bridge and bring the curve in where it comes into Hwy 41. They will have to work out driveway egress and ingress with a property owner. They are proposing a right turn lane that they will do at the red light and also an R-Cut turn lane.

County Administrator Townsend presented a GADOT proposal as follows:

- \$177,585.81 Project- SR 7 (Hwy 341) @ Atlanta Street

- \$230,000.00 Project- R-cut SR 7 (Hwy 341) @ Atlanta Street
- \$229,218.26 Project- RTL at SR 7 (Hwy 341) @ Atlanta Street
- \$250,000.00 Project- Signal Plans SR 7 (Hwy 341) @ Hwy 36
- \$886,804.07 Total of all Projects
- Proposal from GADOT is \$177,585.81 for Lamar County's portion for all projects

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve the GADOT proposal with Lamar County's portion for all projects at a cost of \$177,585.81. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **XIII. Approval of Engineer for the Solid Waste Authority Engineering Audit**

Commissioner Lovett made a motion to approve Attorney Amy Cowan's recommendation to this Board for the hiring of Justin Price, of the Evergreen Engineering firm, to perform an engineering review of the Lamar County Solid Waste Authority's Waste to Fuel Project for an amount up to \$5,000.00. The scope of the work shall include but not limited to, a review of all buildings and equipment associated with the Solid Waste Authority including the Materials Recovery Facility, the Leachate Evaporation enterprise, and most importantly, the Pyrolysis units. All items should be evaluated for their originality of concept, percentage of progress, obsolescence of equipment, compliance with the original initiative of the GEFA loan, and the projects potential for long term profitability. Any other information for the Engineer deems relevant to the success of this project should also be included in the report. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion.

Commissioner Thrash said she thought it would be irresponsible of them to vote on this since they received this at noon today. She said they had not had an opportunity to fully vet the engineer. She said she thought they had the responsibility of the taxpayers to do this. Commissioner Gilles said this is the reason they agreed to hire Amy Cowan. Commissioner Thrash said they agreed to hire Amy Cowan to give them a recommendation and they just received it at noon today. Commissioner Thrash said that she thought they would have it before four hours before the meeting based off of Commissioners Lovett's motion.

Chairman Traylor said there was a motion and a second on the floor to approve and called it for a vote. Commissioner Thrash opposed. The motion carried 3-1.

### **XIV. Administrator's Report**

County Administrator Townsend presented a Power Point presentation.

- Presented the total revenues for the month of July 2024. The current general fund was \$413,346.45. The total expenditures for the month of July 2024 was \$1,221,874.21.
- Presented a trend showing the forecast for the Cash Flow. Toward the beginning of the year the cash flow is lower January through October. In October, the revenue for the insurance premium rollback comes in along with the beginning of the property tax collections October through December.

- iii. Presented the General Fund Balance as of August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The total of the General Fund balance was \$1,839,259.77. The Special Revenues balance was \$57,529.57. The Capital Project funds balance was \$3,070,606.62. The grand total of all funds was \$4,967,395.96.
- iv. Reported on the new Administration building. There is a flooring issue; the flooring was higher than it should be and the main hallway has a crown down the middle. It has to be sanded and leveled for the doors to be installed. The HVAC units will be shipped by the first week of September.
  - v. Presented the Active Program of Work Status; The Animal Shelter and the Guardrails from the SAP GADOT Grant.
- vi. Reported that the Local Options Sales Tax (LOST) distribution for July was \$138,064.73.
- vii. Reported that the Special Purpose Local Options Sales Tax (SPLOST) distribution for July was \$242,236.29.
- viii. Reported that the Transportation Special Purpose Local Options Sales Tax (TSPLOST) for July was \$221,101.30.
- ix. Reported on AmeriPro Ambulance.  
Transported: 173 Refusals: 106 Cancellations: 23 Response Time: 7:38  
Mutual Aid Report Upson County 9 Pike County 2
- x. Presented the Dates he communicated with GDOT about an issue at Liberty Hill Road and Hwy 36.
  - May 13<sup>th</sup>- Met onsite with GADOT at the Liberty Hill Road and Hwy 36
  - May 17<sup>th</sup>- GADOT provide update about they were doing a Sight distance study for warning signage and the potential of adding additional signage. He provide crash data:
  - For all of Lamar County:  
144<sup>th</sup> based on crash rate (number of crashes compared to traffic volumes)  
June 28<sup>th</sup>–GADOT gave us an update that they intend on combining the intersection and curve ahead warning signs and adding the street name plaque for Liberty Hill Rd for both SR 36 northbound and southbound approaches
  - July 17<sup>th</sup> – GADOT advised intersection ahead warning signs on SR 36 for Liberty Hill Rd have now been installed, along with street name plaques and 50mph advisory speed plaques.
  - August 16<sup>th</sup>- Advised the GADOT of the wreck at the intersection with pictures from by James Peder. We schedule a meeting for August 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - August 20<sup>th</sup>- Teams Meeting with GADOT. Discussed the options with this intersection from flashing beacon, etc. One suggestion is that the property owner remove vegetation for sight distance around the curve.

## **XV. Public Comments**

Bonnie Martin 626 Piedmont Road addressed the board with her comments.

- On social media a post about Houston County’s Solid Waste Authority. Houston County calls itself the most progressive County. Maybe they should show Lamar County how it should be done.

- Houston County has a 24 page booklet on their Solid Waste Disposal Facility.
- Houston County Solid Waste Disposal Facility has had awards from 2006 to 2013.
- In 2017, they were awarded the Landfill Management Silver Excellence Award Winner.
- Houston County owns 2,588 acres of land set aside for solid waste disposal (SWD).
- The SWD was built in phases and phase II-V have linear systems which include leachate collections.
- The liner system includes leachate collection lines with pump stations to carry it to a tank for storage . They have 165,000 gallons of storage tanks; on and off site treatment systems.
- These will include leachate recirculation for anaerobic digestion and transport to nearby wastewater treatment facilities for biological treatment.
- The landfill is operated as an enterprise fund without tax monies, bond issues, special assessments, grants or loans. Strictly user fee funded.
- Houston County has NO debt on the landfill or its equipment.
- On 2011 they started the landfill gas to power generation plant.
- The gas collection produces about 1,200 standard cubic feet a minute.
- They are producing 3,200 KW of power and this is enough electricity to service 1,680 homes annually.
- In comparison, Lamar County has a 27.5 million dollar loan taken out in 2014 and there is still not much of anything to show for all the money in the last ten years. Why?
- Thanked the Board of Commissioners for approving the call for an Engineering Audit. It could have been done a year ago or ten years ago.

Donald Hartman of 507 Old Milner Road addressed the board with his comments.

- Missed an article in the Herald Gazette from July 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Attended a couple of the Milner meetings. Skip Seda said the GEFA loan is on the backs of the taxpayer Statewide and Lamar County is not on the hook by ourselves. The rest of the state will be on the hook if there is a default. He believes this is misinformation.
- An article in the Herald Gazette stated, “ I think we are going to be able to pay for this.” 27.5 million dollars plus interest is a lot of money to pay back.
- Thanked the Board of Commissioners for the vote on the Engineering Audit. Asked when it would take place; 30, 60, 90 days. Would like to know when they will get a report on this.
- It was a great opportunity to secure two new fire pieces of equipment for Lamar County and we are blessed.

Elaine Hallada of 131 Steeple Chase addressed the board with her comments.

- Thanked the Board of Commissioners for getting the Engineering Audit started. This all started with one simple question: “Why could I not take my trash to the dump?.
- Pointed out she received a letter from the Solid Waste Authority (SWA) attorney. Misspoke about Capital Expenditures then I would apologize. However, I sent copies to all of the Board of Commissioners through County Clerk Davidson and copies of the expense and statements she received. The income statement was incorrect so she sent an email to the SWA lawyer and was a little sarcastic. She received a new one the next day and the income for the first six months was \$201,000.00. When she asked for an update it showed \$660,000.00. The expense statements did not change and showed \$2,500,000.00.

Some of these expenses are capital expenditures. She said she could point out a few discrepancies but she would let the SWA Chairman and their attorney figure that out.

- Inquired about the timeline for the Engineering Audit and when it would be done.
- Made a comment regarding Skip Seda. She said yes you can take in money by performing a service which is processing Leachate. But, that does not mean you have made enough money to cover your expenses.
- Reported she had asked for an agreement between the SWA, Seaborn Crosby and Paradigm. Johnny Poore referred to it as the “secret sauce” on more than one occasion in intellectual rights. She was told there was no such agreement available. There is a construction timesheet for this contract that did not go out to bid to anyone else. She wanted to know why Seaborn Crosby and Paradigm was paid over half a million dollars in the first six months of this year. She asked what Paradigm bought with this money when it was expensed under evaporator equipment.
- Reported she asked for the contract between the City of Milner and the SWA. Once again, there is no such contract. The City of Milner never co-signed the loan.
- Reported that the 27.5 million dollars, by the time it is paid off in 30 years, is actually going to be 40 million dollars.
- Stated that you cannot trust the SWA with an Open Records Request.

James Peter of Liberty Hill Road addressed the Board of Commissioners with his comments.

- Reported that the vegetation on Liberty Hill and Hwy 36 is on the GDOT right of way. Was told to call the County. Commissioner Thrash came out and they had GDOT out there and they put one sign.
- Reported that if the truck wreck had not been later in the afternoon it would have hit the school bus his neighbors son gets off of in the afternoon.
- Reported he watches his great granddaughter and said his daughter drives out of the driveway about the time of the truck wreck. He said they would not be having this discussion if his daughter or his great grand daughter got hit because he would have lawyers.
- Requested to have something done and the little yellow sign means nothing.
- Reported that the Sheriff’s Office is out there on Sundays but said Sundays do not matter because it is during the week that matters. The truck was not doing 55 miles per hour. The GDOT says you can safely stop at 500 ft. He can show them where there are paint marks 500 ft from his driveway and this is where the truck started sliding.
- Requested to have something done. He said he does not care if you sit in his driveway. He said he would bring them a tea. The trucks need to slow down in that curve.
- Asked the Board of Commissioners what they are going to do about it.
- Reported that the only sign the GDOT put up was one. He said that he and all of his neighbors cringe when they pull out of their driveways.

Ken Nelms of 1365 Hwy 36 East addressed the Board of Commissioners with his comments.

- Thanked the Board of Commissioners for their emphasis on safety when it comes to GDOT projects on Hwy 36. Appreciated the meetings that he has had with GDOT.
- Expressed that this is huge safety aspect. Lives inside of the curve and he worries about his 15 year old son every time the school bus stops at their driveway. They have to stop long



enough for his son to walk down the aisle, get off the bus, close the doors, and lower their signs on the bus before they can pull forward.

- Reported that the truck that was involved in the wreck was swerving to miss someone pulling in a driveway across the road from his driveway. The skid marks run across his shared driveway where they would have been sitting looking both ways trying to get out of their driveway or before his son steps off of the bus.
- Reported there are times when he stares out of the front window to make sure his wife gets on Hwy 36 safely so he does not have to go get her off of the road. Anytime people come and visit he worries about them getting in and out of his driveway.
- Concerned about the bus running during the week and the people trying to get out of their driveways because of the trucks that are flying around the hill.
- Expressed the importance to all the people that ride down that road.
- Traveling Hwy 36 for 18 years and loves living here but is concerned with the increase in car and truck traffic due to more industry. Getting out of his driveway is scary.
- Reported he moved to Lamar County from Henry County and knows about being scared of traffic and wanted to express his concerns about this safety issue.

Mike Maddox of 120 Magnolia Farm Drive addressed the Board of Commissioners with his comments.

- Thanked Commissioner Fletcher about the repairs being made to the roof.
- Concerned about waiting 15 to 20 years before repairs were made and material were twice as much. Could have been waiting on the Waste To Fuel money to come in.
- Commented on the Proclamations and said they were honorable. Compared them to the mill rates and said a lot of people call them school tax but said it is really sports tax because all this County is about is sports. Commented on the paper about only putting in sports. He said that people Lamar County do not have a clue as to how smart the kids are in the County.
- Watched the Middle School academic team last year and said it was the best he had ever seen. The kids need to be recognized for this.
- Reported that sports are important and the best time of his life was being a Boy Scout. He said it builds character and honor. Reported he was three merit badges away from being an Eagle Scout and he quite.
- Commented on County Administrator Townsend getting all of the updates and thought he should be in charge of getting updates on the Waste to Fuel project because there is no excuse for it lingering on this long.

Chairman Traylor thanked the Sheriff Brad White and the Major Leslie Holmes for being in attendance.

## **XVII. Round Table**

Commissioner Fletcher said he was excited about the Tailgate Talks on August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Lamar County Recreation gym between 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. He invited everyone in all of the Districts to come to this event.

Commissioner Thrash addressed the Liberty Hill and Hwy 36 issue. She said she was on the conference call with the GDOT and she made sure they knew they talked about putting in a flashing sign and that is not what is there now. Commissioner Thrash said they could not legislate behavior or make Ordinances. The Sheriff's Office has to do this. The trucks fly up and down the road and it is a dangerous intersection. She said that 56 percent of the nine recorded crashes on Hwy 36 came from people that were turning left out of Liberty Hill on Hwy 36. Commissioner Thrash said that she and County Administrator Townsend would speak to GDOT tomorrow about removing the vegetation. She said that she does believe that some of the trees are on Mr. Peter's right of way. Mr. Peter said he would cut the trees back to the fence line that are on the right of way. Commissioner Thrash said she would meet with Mr. Peter tomorrow.

Commissioner Thrash said this board gave the conflict attorney counsel a blank check out of the taxpayers account to research a forensic engineering audit from the Solid Waste Authority (SWA). The conflict attorney has advised this board they have no legal authority to demand such a forensic engineering audit so this board is clearing overreaching its powers. Commissioner Thrash said this is being irresponsible with taxpayers dollars. Commissioner Thrash said this is what they know is factual. The SWA has made timely payments on its GEFA loan and has made payments in advance. Therefore, the countering accusations that it defaulted. The SWA received its permit and is the only one issued in the United States. The SWA has provided factual documentation and has not overspent on its 27.5 million dollar loan and has documentation for every penny spent. The SWA owes no monies to the County in host fees or otherwise. It is absolutely absurd that anyone would believe any business entity could survive such a large discrepancy between income and expenses. This is just laughable. If the SWA has the lowest curbside pickup rates in Georgia, the lowest tipping fees in Georgia and actually carries some of the Counties financial responsibility and continues to successfully reclaim the landfill, what exactly are we mad about. It appears the SWA did not meet a timeline that Commissioner Lovett though was reasonable. Now that the project is just months from flipping the switch, you want to subject the taxpayers to all of these expenses rather than allow the project to proceed and prove itself. This board hired a conflict attorney to give legal advise on conflicts of interest with board members. Tonight, she asked that the conflict attorney look into Commissioners Lovett's possible conflict because he is in the trash business.

Commissioner Thrash said she did not think that any member of the Board of Commissioners are stupid and on the contrary she thinks they are all pretty smart. She believes that this board is being unduly influenced by Commissioner Lovett and his supporters who seem to continue to stir controversy without solid reasoning. Will this board continue to react to what is thrown at the wall to see what sticks?

Chairman Traylor announced that ice cream would be served at the Tailgate talks. Chairman Traylor said he teaches at Gordon and does a lot of design work. He said that there will not be any beer served as shown in the Tailgate picture. He had an AI programmer design this and they could not figure out how to remove the picture of that one bottle of beer. There will be no beer there.

Chairman Traylor said they had a great presentation from the CEO Kenyatta Walker of McIntosh Trail and Leslie Cantrell the local person in charge of the facility. They talked about the Mental Health needs in the community and the Sheriff and the Major can tell you so much about the 1013's and the trainings they go through to deescalate situations. Chairman Traylor said as citizens they need to protect ourselves. There are many situations where family members or people we know and love that are not taking their medication as they should and there are crisis that happen. If you did not know, you can immediately call McIntosh Trails or Pinewoods for any situations that need to be dealt with. Mental Health is something they continue to fight in Lamar County and across the world.

Chairman Traylor said they get criticized about missing grants such as the Recreation grant a year or so ago. He commended the Fire Chief, Douglas Matthews for working with a grant writer as he was able to obtain a million dollar grant for two fire trucks. There will be some County supplemental cost but the grant came from Senator Ossoff's Office and the list had about 9 to 10 counties that received the grant funding. Lamar County was the highest recipient of that grant. The fire trucks cost around \$600,000.00 a piece and if they did not have a grant the funds would come from taxpayers.

Chairman Traylor said if they followed him on Facebook they know he loves his kids. He said that academics is not acknowledged enough. The Star Student is typically recognized in the paper every year but not as much about academics. Commissioner Traylor said his daughter was an athlete in Lamar County and a phenomenal softball player. Three years ago, she graduated from Gordon State College, Magnum Cum Laude, two weeks before she graduated from High School as the Valedictorian. She played D1 College Softball for the last three years and graduated early in an accelerated Medical Program. Chairman Traylor said he was hoping that she would have played softball another year at Alabama, North Carolina, Georgia Tech or some of the other schools that reached out to her. However, she graduated from Medical School and received her White Coat. He said his daughter competed in the classroom like she competed on the softball field. Chairman Traylor said he hoped to see more recognition from the academic work from the students in Lamar County.

## **XVII. Adjournment**

Vice-Chair Gilles made a motion to adjourn the Regular Business meeting to go into Executive Session to Discuss Real Estate and Litigation at approximately 8:25 p.m. Commissioner Fletcher seconded the motion. The Board of Commissioners came out of Executive Session at approximately 8:54 p.m. Commissioner Thrash made a motion to adjourn the Regular Business meeting. Vice-Chair Gilles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

THE LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Ryran Traylor, Chairman

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Nancy Thrash, Vice-Chair

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Jarrod Fletcher, Commissioner

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Jason Lovett, Commissioner

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Ashley Gilles, Commissioner

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Carlette Davidson, County Clerk