

**UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**6:00 P.M. – Regular Commission Meeting**  
**City/County Meeting Room – February 14, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Norman Allen

II. INVOCATION

Rev. Milton Hill

III. PLEDGE

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

January 24, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Commissioner Spraggins

Comm. J Ellington – Yes

Comm. Wilder – Yes

**Second:** Commissioner James Ellington

Comm. R. Ellington – Yes

Comm. Spraggins - Yes

V. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Chairman Allen opened the public hearing for an application to rezone property on Ja-Ann Drive from R-2 to A-R.

Mr. Randy Lloyd explained to the board that most of the property in this area is already zoned A-R and he would like to move in the same direction.

Building and Zoning Director, Mr. Doug Currier explained to the board that the property had previously been zoned A-R, but was rezoned to create a subdivision. Currently there are only a couple of houses in this area. There are no major violations against the rezoning and the Planning Commission recommends approval.

Chairman Allen closed the public hearing.

A motion was made to approve the application for rezoning from R-2 to A-R.

**Motion:** Commissioner Spraggins

Comm. J Ellington – Yes

Comm. Wilder – Yes

**Second:** Commissioner James Ellington

Comm. R. Ellington – Yes

Comm. Spraggins - Yes

- b. Chairman Allen opened the public hearing for an application to rezone 424 Jeff Davis Road from R-5 to C-1. The applicant is Vishnu Vandana Sabole, of SRITech, INC.

Building and Zoning Director, Mr. Doug Currier explained to the board that the property is primarily a convenience store with associated gas pumps.

There is also an accessory building which is currently used for a second on-site business, the Rustic Anchor, which primarily sells retail clothing and accessories. The applicant does not meet all of the standard requirements, but the Planning Commission doesn't believe it will have negative impacts as to

violate or run contrary to any of the standards because the use already exists.  
The Planning Commission recommends approval.  
Chairman Allen closed the public hearing.

A motion was made to approve the application for rezoning from R-5 to C1.

<b>Motion:</b> Commissioner James Ellington	<b>Second:</b> Commissioner Wilder
Comm. J Ellington – Yes	Comm. R. Ellington – Yes
Comm. Wilder – Yes	Comm. Spraggins - Yes

\*\*Commissioner R. Ellington had to leave the meeting at 6:22 for an emergency. \*\*

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Larry Burnette explained that he was stopped and arrested by a Sheriff Deputy. He asked to speak with the nurse, because his blood pressure was high. He feels his life was put in jeopardy. He is asking that Sheriff Kilgore resign and he is asking the board to make a recommendation for him to resign.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. A motion was made to approve the renewal for a beer and wine license for D's Rabbit box located at 1054 Highway 19 North.

<b>Motion:</b> Commissioner Wilder	<b>Second:</b> Commissioner Spraggins	
Comm. J Ellington – Yes	Comm. Wilder – Yes	Comm. Spraggins - Yes
	Comm. R. Ellington – Not in attendance	

b. The board discussed the surplus property from the recreation department.

F150 ext cab  
Vin 1FTex17L5VNC96618  
Tag GV0129A

1987 Ford Club Van  
Vin 1FBJS31HOHHB66377  
Tag GV0115A

Reel Mower (over 15-20 yr old)  
Toro ReelMaster 6700D 03805-200000120

A motion was made by Comm. Spraggins to declare the property surplus, but it was removed to see if any of the property could be used in another department.

c. Chairman Allen read the resolution to amend part time employees sick and vacation leave.



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Jim Wheeless- County Manager  
The English Law Group, County Attorney

Norman Allen - Chairman  
Lorenzo Wilder - District 1  
James Ellington - District 2  
Ralph Ellington - District 3  
Frank Spraggins - District 4

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**RESOLUTION  
TO AMEND SECTION 16 E – VACATION AND PERSONAL LEAVE 2.  
ELIGIBILITY AND SECTION 16 F – SICK LEAVE 2. ELIGIBILITY OF THE  
PERSONNEL POLICY FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF UPSON COUNTY**

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Upson County, Georgia is desirous of amending Section 16 E Vacation and Personal Leave 2. Eligibility of the Personnel Policy of Upson County, Georgia by striking said provision in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

*“All full-time employees in the classified service shall be entitled to earn and accrue sick leave. Temporary Employees shall not be eligible for sick leave.”*

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Upson County, Georgia is desirous of amending Section 16 F Sick Leave 2. Eligibility of the Personnel Policy of Upson County, Georgia by striking said provision in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

*“All full-time employees in the classified service shall be entitled to earn and accrue sick leave. Part-time and Temporary Employees shall not be eligible for sick leave.”*

BE IT SO RESOLVED, THIS 14 DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UPSON COUNTY**

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NORMAN ALLEN, CHAIRMAN

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RALPH ELLINGTON, DISTRICT 3

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LORENZO WILDER, DISTRICT 1

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FRANK SPRAGGINS, DISTRICT 4

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JAMES ELLINGTON, DISTRICT 2

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
JESSICA JONES  
COUNTY CLERK

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A motion was made to approve the resolution.

**Motion:** Commissioner J. Ellington                      **Second:** Commissioner Spraggins  
Comm. J Ellington – Yes                      Comm. Wilder – Yes                      Comm. Spraggins - Yes  
Comm. R. Ellington – Not in attendance

County Manager, Commissioners and County Attorney Comments  
**County Manager Jim** was not in attendance.

**Commissioner Wilder** wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day.

**Commissioner R. Ellington** left the meeting early.

**Commissioner J. Ellington** had no comments.

**Commissioner Spraggins** had no comments.

**County Attorney Heath English** had no comments.

**Chairman Allen** stated that the federal government approved Upson County for funding the disaster relief. There will be a meeting in Upson County on Friday with FEMA to assist with processing claims.

Adjournment

Comm. Wilder made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 pm, with a second by Comm. Spraggins to adjourn the meeting.

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Chairman Norman Allen

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Commissioner Frank Spraggins

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Commissioner Ralph Ellington

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Commissioner James Ellington

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Commissioner Lorenzo Wilder

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NOT IN ATTENDANCE  
Jim Wheelless, County Manager