

**MINUTES OF THE CRISP COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CALLED
MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 2015**

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chairman Clark Henderson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with Commissioners A. James Nance, Wallace Mathis, Sam Farrow, and Larry Felton in attendance. Others present were County Administrator Tom Patton, Finance Director Sherrie Leverett, and Clerk Linda Finch. Commissioner Nance gave the invocation, and Administrator Patton led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Chairman Henderson welcomed all in attendance.

APPROVE REZONING REQUEST FROM AGRI-AFC

Chairman Henderson advised that at the regular meeting in September, we had a public hearing for a rezoning request from Agri-AFC to rezone a parcel of property (13.290 acres) from HC (Heavy Commercial) to I (Industrial) for the purpose of a Chemical and Allied Products Facility. Property located at 1608 West 24th Avenue. Connie Youngblood, Planning Director, read the eight standards for rezoning request. **Motion was made by Mr. Mathis to approve the rezoning request from Agri-AFC with the following conditions; 1) Agri-AFC may continue operating as a retail/warehouse/storage of farm products as presented at the public hearing on September 8, 2015; 2) approve the construction of a blending plant with the condition that no hazardous mixtures will be stored or blended at the location; and 3) any request that proposes a change in the conditions of approval previously established by the Board of Commissioners through action on a rezoning shall be considered a new application and therefore subject to all procedures and provisions of this Article regarding the approval of a rezoning under Sec. 2.03 of the Unified Land Development Code, seconded by Mr. Farrow, motion carried with Commissioner Nance opposing the request.** Commissioner Nance advised that with the conditions is a win-win for everybody, and he doesn't think the intent is to try to restrict them from the normal operations but it satisfies the concerns of the residents and also gives them an opportunity to move forward and continue operations. Commissioner Farrow stated that these conditions are basically there to protect the surrounding businesses and land owners, and the concern from the citizens is what this could turn into; we need to protect the peanut mill and other surrounding business owners, none of them have a problem with Agri-AFC doing their normal business. We do need the protection with the hazardous materials that could cause some problems in the future, as agriculture is the largest industry in this county; this company is a vital support to agriculture. He also wants people to realize that since they have come to Crisp County, the cost of farmers doing business in Crisp County has gone down. Commissioner Mathis advised that Dwayne Broxton with the Heart of Georgia railroad is here, and the railroad wants to know how to proceed with working on the road on 24th Avenue since there is not a crossing there. Administrator Patton advised that he would think Agri-AFC's engineer would need to talk with DOT, and he also gave Mr. Broxton county public works director, Carl Gamble's, phone number.

RATIFY LAW ENFORCEMENT PROCLAMATION

Motion was made by Mr. Nance to ratify the Law Enforcement Proclamation, seconded by Mr. Farrow, motion carried unanimously.

GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Nance to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation, seconded by Mr. Farrow with all commissioners agreeing to go into Executive Session.

COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Nance to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Felton with all commissioners agreeing to come out of Executive Session.

REVOKE LICENSE OF VIP HEALTH SPA

Motion was made by Mr. Nance to revoke the license of VIP Health Spa, seconded by Mr. Felton, motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Nance to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m., seconded by Mr. Felton, motion carried unanimously.

Clark Henderson, Chairman

Tom Patton, Administrator