

Minutes
Presbytery of Saint Andrew

CALLED MEETING
10:00 a.m. on June 20, 2024

A quorum being present, the Presbytery of St. Andrew (Presbytery) met for a called meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2024 electronically via Zoom. The Moderator was in the chair and the Stated Clerk was present.

Rev. Buren Blankenship, moderator, convened the meeting with prayer and the called on the Stated Clerk who stated the purpose of the meeting, which was as follows:

To act on a request from Independence Presbyterian Church, Batesville, for the presbytery's written permission to acquire approximately 4 acres of land subject to an encumbrance, as required by G-4.0206a. The land will be used to expand the church's cemetery.

The Stated Clerk reported that there were a total of 16 voting members present as listed below, and he moved that they be established as the roll for the meeting, with those minister members not present and sessions not represented being excused. The motion was adopted by unanimous consent.

Roll for the Meeting:

Minister Members (9):

Buren Blankenship, Moderator
Greg Goodwiller, Stated Clerk
Douglass Sullivan-González
BJ Chain
John Brock
Natalie Wolf
Deb deBoer
Ann Kelly
Jerry Long

Ruling Elder Commissioners/Enrolled for Terms (7):

Sandra Darby (Batesville, Independence)
David Mills (Camp Hopewell Exec. Dir.)
Keven Magee (Leland)
Nancy Bryson (Starkville)
Jim Waltress (Pontotoc, First)
Hugh Smith (Cleveland, First)
Margaret Gratz (Tupelo, First)

Ellen Kellum, Office Manager, and Bob Lance (Tupelo, First) were also present.

Douglass Sullivan González then moved that the presbytery grant Independence Presbyterian Church permission to acquire approximately four acres of land for the purpose of expanding its cemetery, and direct the stated clerk to convey this action in writing to the session of Independence Presbyterian Church as required by G-4.0206a.

The motion was seconded and approved by raised hand vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with prayer by the moderator at 10:07 a.m.

Approved 9/12/2024

