The Banks County Board of Commissioners held a hearing on March 14, 2017, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex. The purpose of the hearing was to consider possible ordinance/resolution violations by Longhorn Steakhouse located at Banks Crossing.

Members Present

Chairman Jimmy Hooper Vice Chairman Danny Maxwell Commissioner David Duckett Commissioner Charles Turk Commissioner Sammy Reece

Staff Present

County Attorney Randall Frost Investigator Dennis Elrod County Clerk Jenni Gailey

Media Present

Banks County News – Angela Gary Access North Georgia – Rob Moore

Ch. Hooper opened the hearing and stated that the purpose of the hearing was to consider the alleged violations surrounding furnishing alcohol to a minor on February 24, 2017. Longhorn Steakhouse Attorney Michael Sard stated the restaurant was not disputing the allegations and stated the server in violation had been dismissed. He then asked Manager Gregory Ray to present procedures followed for alcohol sales by Longhorn Steakhouse. Mr. Ray stated training had been performed with every new hire and that it would continue going forward.

Ch. Hooper stated this was not a violation that is taken lightly by the Board. He further stated that Longhorn Steakhouse should be held responsible as it could affect the safety of the community.

Motion to place Longhorn Steakhouse on 120 day intense probation for the period of 3/15/2017 through 7/12/2017 with required reports every 6 months for a period of 2 years showing proof of training for employees: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

The hearing ended at 6:28 p.m.

Chairman
