

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
AGENDA SETTING MEETING  
OCTOBER 24, 2016  
6:30 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove  
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas  
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond  
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis  
District 4 Commissioner John W. Pethel, Sr.  
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**MEDIA PRESENT:**

Zach Mitcham, Madison County Journal

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., led in the pledge to the American Flag and asked for a moment of silence to keep Terry Smith and his family in prayer. Commissioner Escoe requested prayer for Nancy Autry who is having open heart surgery.

**Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:**

**Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of October 3, 2016. Minutes have been distributed.**

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the minutes of the October 3, 2016 Regular Business Meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 2. Business Involving Guests, Groups or Multiple Visitors.**

**Present sign for Tony Brown Drive**

Members of Tony Brown's family came forward.

Chairman Dove acknowledged the service of former Civil Defense member, Tony Brown, who passed away 35 years ago while serving Madison County. As a form of acknowledgment of his service to Madison County, the road from Highway 98 West to the Danielsville EMS station has been named Tony Brown Drive.

Chairman Dove stated that Tony Brown had an impact on his life. He stated that only a handful of people in the county were a part of Civil Defense when it began and that they were all volunteers. Mr. Brown's son, Lee, thanked the Board for acknowledging his father and said that it was an honor.

Chairman Dove recognized Pilot Club President Jane Tippins. Ms. Tippins, along with other members of the Pilot Club, and Alana Threlkeld with the Anchor Club, addressed the Board requesting the signing of a proclamation naming the week of November 6 through 12, 2016 as International Care and Kindness Week.

Ms. Tippins read the following section of the proclamation:

Whereas, at its core, Pilot International is an organization that CARES. This special week brings awareness to how simple acts can change a day, a life, or the community by simply showing someone you care or thanking people in your life for their care and kindness.

Chairman Dove said that if we could all live by that one sentence, what a better world this would be.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bond the Board approved the signing of the proclamation. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

### **Item No. 3. Chairman's Report**

Chairman Dove advised the Board that three fights took place in one week at the Recreation Department and that he has heard from coaches and parents regarding the length of the suspension. Since this is the first time to have this penalty enforced, the one year suspension from all Madison County Recreation Department facilities is being reviewed. The Board discussed the severity of the rule and their desire to keep children involved in sports, but also the need for discipline. The Board requested that the Recreation Board provide their recommendation regarding this violation.

### **Item No. 4. Report from Industrial Development and Building Authority. (Marvin White)**

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Marvin White, Executive Director of the Madison County Industrial Development and Building Authority. Mr. White gave a report of the activities of the ID&BA.

### **Item No. 5. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on agenda items.**

Chairman Dove asked if there were any statements or remarks on an agenda item. No one came forward.

### **Item No. 6. Consider amendment to the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance. (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove advised the Board that this amendment is to meet MS4 storm sewer systems regulations required by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the amendment. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 7. Consider 2016 Beer and Wine License Application for Peach Pantry. (Chairman Dove)**

The completed application, background check approval letter, and Madison County Journal Affidavit were provided to the Board for review. This application is for the new owner of the convenience store located across from Ingles in Hull.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the 2016 Beer and Wine License for Peach Pantry. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 8. Roads Update**

Commissioner Pethel requested to have speed limit signs posted on David's Home Church Road at the location of the new pavement and at the Highway 172 end.

**Item No. 9. Urgent Matters**

There were no urgent matters.

**Item No. 10. Review November 7, 2016 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.**

Mrs. Wooten read the November 7, 2016 agenda items.

**Item No. 11. Statements and Remarks from citizens.**

Chairman Dove asked if there were any statements or remarks. No one came forward.

**Item No. 12. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).**

There was no need for executive session.

**Item No. 13. Adjourn.**

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.