MEMBERS PRESENT:
Commission Chairman John Scarborough
District 1 Commissioner Lee Allen
District 2 Commissioner Tripp Strickland
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis
District 4 Commissioner John W. Pethel, Sr.
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:
None

MEDIA PRESENT:
Margie Richards, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT:
Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Scarborough called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., led in the pledge to the American Flag and gave the invocation.

Item No.  1. Approval of minutes:
Minutes of the December 3, 2018 Regular Business Meeting. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Strickland the Board voted to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2018 Regular Business Meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

County Extension Agent Adam Speir and 4-H Equestrian Drill Team

Mr. Speir discussed the accomplishments of the Madison County 4-H “Cowboys and Angels” Equestrian Drill Team. Chairman Scarborough read a proclamation recognizing their achievements.

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

Mr. Speir played a short video showing the National Championship ride and then presented a signed proclamation to each member.
Item No. 3. Chairman’s Report

No report was given

Item No. 4. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on agenda items.

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

Item No. 5. Consider dates for 2019 holidays. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the 2019 holidays listed below. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

- New Year’s Holiday: Tuesday, January 1
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Monday, January 21
- Good Friday: Friday, April 19
- Memorial Day: Monday, May 27
- Independence Day: Thursday, July 4
- Labor Day: Monday, September 2
- Veterans’ Day: Monday, November 11
- Thanksgiving Holidays: Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29
- Christmas Holidays: Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25

Item No. 6. Consider dates for 2019 Board of Commissioners meetings. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Strickland and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to approve the 2019 meeting dates listed below. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

- January 7 and 28
- February 4 and 25
- March 4 and 25
- April 1 and 22
- May 6 and 20
- June 3 and 24
- July 1 and 29
- August 5 and 26
- September 9 and 30
- October 7 and 28
- November 4 and 25
- December 2 and 16

Item No. 7. Consider 2019 Beer & Wine License Application for Danielsville Grocery. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board approved the 2019 Beer & Wine License for Danielsville Grocery. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.
Item No. 8. Roads Update

Chairman Scarborough stated that road work is being done on Barwick Hill Road, Old Harrison School Road, Bellew Drake Road, Cheek Pulliam Road, Lake Deerfield Road and Dogwood Hills Drive. Commissioner Allen requested that the rebar be removed at the Food Bank facility.

Item No. 9. Urgent Matters

Commissioner Pethel expressed appreciation for the work performed by Rhonda Wooten.

Item No. 10. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Chairman Scarborough expressed appreciation for Commissioner Pethel’s 14 years of service and Commissioner Escoes’s eight years of service. He asked if they had any parting comments.

Commissioner Pethel said that he always voted with the taxpayers in mind.

Commissioner Escoe said that his New Year’s Resolution is to go back out and get all the friends he lost.

Chip Chandler approached the Board and expressed appreciation to Commissioner Pethel and to Commissioner Escoe for their service.

Commissioner Allen also expressed appreciation to Commissioner Pethel and Commissioner Escoe for their service.

Item No. 11. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 12. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.