

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
MAY 21, 2018
6:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman John Scarborough
District 1 Commissioner Lee Allen
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis
District 4 Commissioner John W. Pethel, Sr.
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

District 2 Commissioner Tripp Strickland

MEDIA PRESENT:

Zach Mitcham, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT:

Mike Pruett, County Attorney
Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk
Tracy Patrick, Deputy Clerk

Chairman Scarborough called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m., led in the pledge to the American Flag and gave the invocation.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of the May 7, 2018 Regular Business Meeting. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2018 Regular Business Meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

Jennifer Ivey, Madison County Library Branch Manager

Ms. Ivey gave the 2018 First Quarter Report. She highlighted the 52 adult programs that occurred in the first quarter, such as calligraphy and book sales, with 443 in attendance. She also stated that there were 85 youth programs, which included storytelling and stop-motion animation, with 1,575 in attendance. Ms. Ivey provided a copy of the Organizational Value Statements of the Athens Regional Library System.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Scarborough stated that yesterday started National EMS week. He stated that EMS is a vital service to our county and community and encouraged everyone to convey their appreciation.

Chairman Scarborough said that the departments are working on their 2019 budgets in preparation for upcoming budget sessions in June.

Item No. 4. Report from the Industrial Development and Building Authority.

Chairman Scarborough said that the ID&BA received the go ahead on a loan from GEFA for 4.7 million. If pursued, the loan will be used for the construction of water pipe from the city of Elbert to a plant in Madison County. This is loan approval only, no obligation at this time.

The IB&BA is still awaiting word from the Appalachian Regional Commission regarding a one million dollar grant.

Item No. 5. 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. 6. Consider Beer and Wine License application for Kwik Chek. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to deny a Beer and Wine License for Kwik Chek. To clarify, County Attorney Mike Pruett asked if the denial was based on the same problems that were identified in the last application which the Board denied for this store. The Board confirmed that to be correct. The vote to deny was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 7. Consider 2018/2019 agreement with the Public Defender's Office. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to approve the \$118,534.67 Madison County portion of the 2018/2019 agreement with the Public Defender's Office. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider approving a resolution to approve an intergovernmental contract with the Industrial Development and Building Authority. (Chairman Scarborough)

Chairman Scarborough discussed the resolution, which was sent to the Board last week, and recognized Bond Attorney Jim Woodward. Mr. Woodward explained the bond resolution and the need for approval to move forward.

Andrew Tritt, Bond Underwriter with Stifel Nicolas & Company, Incorporated, explained the change in the ID&BA debt service that would occur with the secured financing.

County Attorney Mike Pruett explained the Board's function in oversight of the ID&BA.

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the resolution approving an intergovernmental contract with the Industrial Development and Building Authority. The vote was

as follows: Commissioners Allen and Bettis voted YES. Commissioners Pethel and Escoe voted NO. Chairman Scarborough voted YES.

Item No. 9. Consider purchasing road equipment. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to approve the purchase of a Crafcoc patch wagon through NJPA for \$66,674.89 out of SPLOST funds and a Crafcoc crack sealer through NJPA for \$74,766.90 out of SPLOST funds. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 10. Roads Update

Commissioner Escoe said that Archer Road needs patching.

Chairman Scarborough said that we have been contacted regarding pot holes on Dogwood Drive and Chaparral Court.

Commissioner Allen said that work needs to be done on Mize Road and McGinnis Chandler Road.

Item No. 11. Urgent Matters

There were no urgent matters.

Item No. 12. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

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

Item No. 13. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 14. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.