

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
AGENDA SETTING MEETING  
MAY 23, 2016  
6:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond

**MEDIA PRESENT:**

Zach Mitcham, Madison County Journal

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, led in the pledge to the American Flag and asked for a moment of silence for prayers for Sherry Osborne and her family and he later asked for prayers for Mr. Eddie Hill.

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

**Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of May 9, 2016. Minutes have been distributed.**

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board approved the minutes of the May 9, 2016 Regular Business Meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

Mr. Moak addressed the Board and introduced newly hired Madison County Library Branch Manager Jennifer Ivey. Mr. Moak expressed thankfulness for the process of the Personnel Committee in choosing the very best. Ms. Ivey spoke to the Board with enthusiasm about her new position.

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

Chairman Dove advised the Board that on June 30<sup>th</sup> the Health Department will be moving the WIC program back to their facility on Highway 98 and the building that they are leasing on Spring Lake Drive will be available.

Chairman Dove advised the Board that Mr. Brown has been out with health issues and our Independent Contractor for building inspections, Tim Shelnett, is also out this week. A qualified inspector with all building certifications, Philip Gruber, has agreed to perform inspections this week and at other times if needed. A copy of the Independent Contractor Agreement has been provided to each commissioner for review.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the agreement with Philip Gruber to perform building inspections. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove advised the Board that the security scanner at the back entrance is not working. He provided quotes for a new scanner and said that Chief Deputy Burns is going to check into the availability of a surplus scanner.

**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.

County Extension Agent Adam Speir requested permission to approach the Board. Mr. Speir accompanied by 4-H Junior County Council President Kaylie Goldman and 4-H Senior County Council President Charlie Ayers presented the Board with a Friend of 4-H award plaque. The plaque was given for appreciation of the Boards' support of the Madison County 4-H Program.

**Item No. 6. Consider 2016 health insurance policy. (Chairman Dove)**

MSI Benefits agent Matt Bidwell addressed the Board regarding quotes received for health and dental insurance. Mr. Bidwell advised the Board that paid claims have had a sharp increase since May 2015. Cigna provided an annual quote of \$1,344,423 for health insurance with the condition that they also be the provider for employee paid dental insurance. Mr. Bidwell presented a buy-up plan that allows employees to choose between the basic Open Access health insurance plan at no charge for the employee coverage or to choose a buy-up plan for \$4.72 semi-monthly for the better Open Access health insurance plan, which has no annual prescription deductible and a better prescription copay for tier 2 and tier 3 drugs.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve CIGNA as the carrier for health and dental insurance with no cost to the employee for the Open Access-Low health insurance plan and the employee's option to Buy-Up at \$4.72 semi-monthly for the Open Access-High health insurance plan. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 7. Consider AT&T applications for Utility Facility Encroachment. (Chairman Dove)**

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve two AT&T applications for Utility Facility Encroachment Permits. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 8. Roads Update**

Chairman Dove advised the Board that Hill Street is finished. He also stated that one tractor is still broke down.

Commissioner Pethel asked if the paving bids had come in yet. The bids are due on June 1, 2016.

**Item No. 9. Urgent Matters**

There were no urgent matters.

**Item No. 10. Review June 6, 2016 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.**

Mrs. Wooten read the June 6, 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 7:20 pm.