

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
JUNE 25, 2018
6:00 PM**

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:

Zach Mitcham, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT:

Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Scarborough called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., led in the pledge to the American Flag and gave the invocation.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of the June 4, 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 June 4, 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.

Proclamation Honoring Cameron Smith

Chairman Scarborough read a proclamation honoring Cameron Smith, a young resident of Madison County who sacrificed his life in a heroic act of courage during a rescue mission.

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

Sheriff Moore presented the proclamation to Mr. Smith's parents, Mike and Jamie Smith. The audience stood in tribute to the bravery and memory of Cameron Smith.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Scarborough advised the Board that he is looking into ways to improve energy and telecommunications efficiencies throughout the government buildings.

Chairman Scarborough stated that we received the 2019 LMIG application. The formula amount is \$766,836.30 with a county match of \$230,059.89.

Chairman Scarborough said that later on in the meeting, under Urgent Matters, he will be requesting the Board to vote regarding authorization of a \$588.96 payment to the Board of Education to offset the increase to the Teacher's Retirement System for employees of the Extension Office.

Chairman Scarborough asked the Board to check availability for upcoming Budget Work Sessions on July 11th and July 18th at 9:00 a.m.

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.

David Black spoke to the Board regarding his support of a Nuisance Abatement Ordinance for Madison County and his awareness of property issues on Garnett Ward Road.

Item No. 5. Consider hiring four additional school recourse officers and equipment. (Sheriff Moore)

Sheriff Moore addressed the Board regarding a request from the Board of Education to have a resource officer in every elementary school, resulting in the hiring of four additional officers and equipment. Currently there is a full time officer at the high school, a full time officer at the middle school and a full time officer rotates his time among the five elementary schools. Sheriff Moore turned the floor over to Board of Education Superintendent Michael Williams. Mr. Williams presented the request of the Board of Education, stating that they are looking to improve safety in all schools. Mr. Williams said that the Board of Education would like to partner with the Board of Commissioners to budget for an officer and their equipment in every school.

Chairman Scarborough said that he will be meeting with the sheriff tomorrow to discuss the 2019 budget.

After discussion, on motion by Commissioner Strickland and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to postpone a decision until they had better budget information. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 6. Consider a resolution amending section 5.3 of the Storm Water Ordinance. (Chairman Scarborough)

Chairman Hughston explained the amendment and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted four to one to approve.

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the resolution amending section 5.3 of the Storm Water Ordinance. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 7. Consider a resolution amending sections 5.1 and 5.3 of the Subdivision Regulations. (Chairman Scarborough)

Item number eight was addressed prior to this item.

Chairman Hughston explained the amendments and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted five to zero to approve.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve. Commissioner Bettis seconded the motion. After discussion, on amended motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to approve the resolution amending sections 5.1 and 5.3 of the Subdivision Regulations with the removal of the word “through” from the last sentence in section 5.1.1.b. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider a resolution amending section 5.5 of the Subdivision Regulations. (Chairman Scarborough)

Item number seven was addressed after this item.

Chairman Hughston explained the amendment and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted five to zero to approve.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to approve the resolution amending section 5.5 of the Subdivision Regulations. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Consider reappointment of Anne Stone to the Madison County Board of Family and Children Services. (Chairman Scarborough)

On motion by Commissioner Strickland and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to reappoint Anne Stone to the Madison County Board of Family and Children Services. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 10. Discuss drafting a Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. (Commissioner Allen)

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to request County Attorney Mike Pruett to draft a Madison County Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 11. Roads Update

Chairman Scarborough stated that work on the washed out roads is nearing completion. He also commented on the great resurfacing job that was done on Irvin Kirk Road.

Commissioner Strickland said that there are water issues on Timberlane Drive.

Item No. 12. Urgent Matters

Chairman Scarborough asked for a vote regarding the \$588.96 payment discussed in his Chairman's Report.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Allen the Board voted to authorize payment of \$588.96 to the Board of Education to offset the increase to the Teacher's Retirement System for employees of the Extension Office. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 13. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

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

Item No. 14. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 15. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Strickland the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.