

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
JULY 25, 2016
6:30 P.M.**

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
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

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 his son-in-law's mother Terri Seagraves. Commissioner Bettis asked for a moment of silence for Chris Forrer. Both individuals are going through serious health issues and need our prayers and support.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of the July 6, 2016 Budget Session, July 7, 2016 Work Session and July 11, 2016 Regular Business Meeting. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the minutes of July 6, 2016, July 7, 2016 and July 11, 2016. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

None

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Dove commended all of the candidates for one of the most civil run-offs that he has ever seen. He thanked the candidates for running and for talking about their ideas rather than negative talk about their opponents.

Chairman Dove asked the Board to consider applications that Lieutenant Wilbanks presented for part time call-in security positions.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board approved the hiring of Laurie Williams, Rebekah Taylor and Donny Booth for part time call-in security. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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 Property and Casualty Insurance Policy. (Dan Horne)

Chairman Dove recognized Chastain and Associates Insurance Agent Dan Horne. Mr. Horne advised the Board that Public Entities of America, in partnership with One Beacon, once again provided an excellent proposal of \$192,699. The moderate increase is due to the purchase of additional county vehicles, equipment and property.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the policy premium proposal of \$192,699. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 7. Consider tractor trade-ins and purchase. (Theresa Bettis)

Commissioner Bettis said that to be prepared for the needed road work, she would like to consider the quote Alan previously submitted to replace the tractor that is broke down and beyond repair.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the quote from James Short Tractors for the purchase of a new Kubota tractor for \$29,656 after the trade in value of three retired tractors. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider filling vacant position in Buildings and Grounds Department. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove asked the Board to consider the application of James Hughes, submitted by Public Works and Road Superintendent Alan Lapczynski, to fill the vacant position in the Building and Grounds Department.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to hire James Hughes to fill the vacant position. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Roads Update

Chairman Dove stated that Georgia Department of Transportation is performing an audit of our 2016 LMIG road projects in an effort to process our 2017 LMIG application.

Item No. 10. Urgent Matters

There were no urgent matters.

Item No. 11. Review August 1, 2016 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.

Mrs. Wooten read the August 1, 2016 agenda items.

Item No. 12. Statement and Remarks from citizens.

Chairman Dove 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 Bond the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:05 pm.