

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
AUGUST 31, 2015
6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond
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 Pruettt, 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 to think about law enforcement. He stated that law enforcement officers lost their lives this past week-end and asked that they be remembered and their families and all law enforcement.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of the July 31, 2015 Budget Work Session, August 3, 2015 Regular Business Meeting, August 20, 2015 Special Called Meeting, August 24, 2015 Special Called Meeting and August 24, 2015 Budget Work Session. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2015 Budget Work Session, August 3, 2015 Regular Business Meeting, August 20, 2015 Special Called Meeting, August 24, 2015 Special Called Meeting and August 24, 2015 Budget Work Session. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

None

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Dove stated that he and the Rotary Club have been raising money for a new van for Harold McCarty to replace the truck that he lost due to a fire. So far 20 plus people have donated and a total of \$5,000 has been received. A handicap van has been selected and a balance of \$1,700 is needed to make the purchase.

Chairman Dove recognized Board of Elections and Registration Chairperson Tracy Dean. Ms. Dean advised the Board that an intergovernmental agreement is being drawn up by Barrow County for 10 Express Poll units to be provided to Madison County at no cost. This will be a savings of about \$10,000 for Madison County.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to give Chairman Dove the authority to review and sign the agreement. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Board of Elections and Registration Chairperson Tracy Dean requested that the Board consider the purchase of six new voting machines for a total of \$8,640.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the purchase of six new voting machines for a total of \$8,640 and that the purchase be made from cash reserves. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, 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.

Commissioner Thomas and Mr. White discussed the status of the Seagraves Mill Dam project, referencing a June 18, 2015 letter from EPD. Mr. White said that Carter Engineering is responding to the Safe Dams Program review for Seagraves Mill Dam.

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. Recommend bid to repair tennis courts. (Robin Pendleton)

Recreation Department Director Robin Pendleton recommended the \$36,560 bid from Advanced Athletic Surfaces for a base price plus option one, which includes a three year guarantee, to repair the tennis courts.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the bid amount of \$36,560 to be paid from SPLOST. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 7. Consider NEGRC transportation agreement for Senior Center. (Chairman Dove)

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the 2015/2016 NEGRC transportation agreement for the Senior Center. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider purchasing materials for traffic light in front of Ingles. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove advised the Board that the Department of Transportation has approved a permit for a traffic light in front of Ingles. The materials are to be purchased by the county and the D.O.T. will handle the installation. Commissioner Pethel noted that the total dollar amount for the material list provided by the D.O.T. did not add up correctly. Chairman Dove stated that we will seek to get the lowest price on materials.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to purchase the materials at the right price and designate the work as a 2016 LMIG project for District Three. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Roads Update

Commissioner Pethel requested that pot holes be repaired on Rock Quarry Road.

Item No. 10. Urgent Matters

There were no urgent matters.

Item No. 11. Review September 10, 2015 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.

Mrs. Wooten read the September 10, 2015 agenda items.

Item No. 12. Statements 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 7:12 pm.