

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 2 Commissioner John Pethel, Sr.
District 3 Commissioner Mike Youngblood
District 4 Commissioner Dewitt Bond
District 5 Commissioner Bruce Scogin

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MEDIA PRESENT:

Zach Mitchem, The Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Cox, Acting County Clerk
Gary Venable, IT Director
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order and led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Chairman Dove asked Commissioner Mike Youngblood to lead in prayer.

Item No. 1. Chairman's Report (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the Item Number and explained the new Agenda Setting Meeting outline. Chairman Dove gave the Chairman's report along with an update on road projects.

Item No. 2. Report from IDA – Marvin White.

Chairman Dove announced the Item Number and recognized Marvin White from the IDA.

Mr. White gave a monthly report and update on various projects the IDA is working on.

Item No. 3. Consider Recreation Department's request to hire part-time seasonal employees. (Donna Sisk)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Donna Sisk, Human Resources. Ms. Sisk gave information on the number of part-time seasonal employees for the Recreation Department recommended for hire. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to approve. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to (0) NO votes.

Item No. 4. Discuss Occupational Tax. (Eddie Pritchett)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Eddie Pritchett. Mr. Pritchett explained the three (3) options being proposed for the Occupational Tax. The item was discussed by the Board. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put on the agenda for the Regular Business on March 2, 2009. Commissioner Bond made a motion to put the item on the March 2, 2009 agenda for the Regular Business. Commissioner Mike Youngblood seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to (0) NO votes.

Item No. 5. Discuss In-house engineer. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and opened for discussion on how to proceed. The Board would share costs with the IDA on a per item basis. Chairman Dove recognized Commissioner Pethel. Commissioner Pethel suggested that the county move forward on this item. All Board members agreed.

Item No. 6. Discuss Personnel Policy – Changes to the 2009 Personnel Policy. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and opened for discussion to give direction to the Chairman and County Attorney, Mike Pruett. A suggestion was made to set up a work session and a copy of the current personnel policy be provided to all Board Members and County Attorney approximately two (2) weeks before the work session.

Item No. 7. Discuss new appointment to Planning & Zoning. (Commissioner Scogin)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Commissioner Scogin. Commissioner Scogin discussed the appointment. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put on the agenda of the Regular Business Meeting for March 2, 2009. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to put on the agenda for March 2, 2009. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked for any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 8. Review March 2, 2009 agenda.

Chairman Dove asked the Acting Clerk to add the Board of Assessors to the March 2, 2009, agenda for their update on the Chief Appraiser. Chairman Dove went over the items for the March 2, 2009, agenda for the Regular Business Meeting. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to approve. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 9. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked for statements and remarks from the citizens. There was none.

Item No. 10. Urgent Matters.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked if there were any urgent matters for the Board to consider. There was none.

Item No. 11. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked if there was a need for executive session. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) No votes. The Board went into executive session at 7:40 p.m. and returned at 8:35 p.m.

Item No. 12. Adjourn.

Chairman Dove asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Pethel made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. All in favor say aye. All ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.