

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
AGENDA SETTING MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2015  
6:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove  
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas  
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond  
District 3 Commissioner Mike Youngblood  
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 Habersham County Sheriff Joey Terrell and Deputy Bill Zigan who were shot and wounded, and for the passing of Polk County Chairman Billy Croker, and to remember his father-in-law who passed away one year ago. Chairman Dove asked that everyone remember these families.

**Sheriff Thomas requested to address the Board regarding agenda item number six so that he could leave and take care of a pressing police matter. The Board granted his request.**

Sheriff Thomas stated that the 1997 work detail vehicle has had a lot of mechanical issues and he would like to purchase another vehicle. The Board requested Sheriff Thomas to get prices on used vehicles and present the options at the 3-2-15 meeting.

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

**Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of February 2, 2015 and Work Session of February 16, 2015. Minutes have been distributed.**

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of February 2, 2015 and the Work Session of February 16, 2015. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, 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 Samantha Wyatt, daughter of our EMS Billing Specialist Cherri Wyatt, was in the office recently and told him that she was being stationed in South Korea. At the time, he didn't realize that she was leaving the next day and was struck by the service of this Madison County soldier, who had already served a tour in Afghanistan. He stated that the Board would like to be made aware of other servicemen and women from Madison County and acknowledge their service with a military proclamation.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the signing of a military proclamation for Samantha Wyatt. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove expressed his appreciation for the efforts made during the ice storm last week. He thanked the 911 dispatchers, Alan Lapczynski and the Road Department, the Sheriff's deputies, the fire departments, the citizens and the power companies for working together. He said that we have a good county with good citizens.

**Item No. 4. Report from IDA (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 IDA.

**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. Discuss work detail vehicle. (Sheriff Thomas)**

This item was addressed at the beginning of the meeting.

**Item No. 7. Consider filling vacant position at Road Department. (Alan Lapczynski)**

This item was postponed to 3-2-15

**Item No. 8. Consider allowing Lawn Maintenance bids to be opened on February 25, 2015 at 2:30 pm in the Public Meeting Room. (Alan Lapczynski)**

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to allow the Lawn Maintenance bids to be opened on February 25, 2015 at 2:30 pm in the Public Meeting Room. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 9. Discuss temporary private road hardship assessments. (Alan Lapczynski)**

There was discussion regarding concerns with 60' right-of-ways, piping and water, and the need for 100 percent approval from all property owners. Hardship situations were addressed and four roads are going to be evaluated for cost and level of interest by property owners.

**Item No. 10. Consider moving six Recreation Leader I employees to Recreation Leader II. (Robin Pendleton)**

This item was postponed to 3-2-15

**Item No. 11. Consider proposed Mobile Home exit permits. (Lamar Dalton)**

Tax Commissioner Lamar Dalton gave the Board a packet of information on establishing a Mobile Home Transportation Permit with an objective of obtaining taxes before a mobile home is moved out of the county. County Attorney Mike Pruett prepared a resolution amending the Manufactured Home Movers and Installers Ordinance.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the resolution and set a \$25.00 permit fee. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 12. Consider B.O.C. Pay Scale charts. (Chairman Dove)**

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the Road Department Differential Pay Chart dated 2-23-15. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the 911 Center Pay Formula Chart dated 2-16-15. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the EMS Pay Formula Chart dated 2-16-15. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the B.O.C. Pay Classification Chart dated 2-16-15. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 13. Open bids for fencing at soccer field. (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove opened the following two sealed bids received for fencing at the soccer field:

**Northeast Georgia Fence Co.**

Date & Time received: 2-20-15 at 9:15 am

E-Verify included: Yes

Bid Price: \$6813.00

**Southland Fence**

Date & Time received: 2-23-15 at 9:30 am

E-Verify included: Yes

Bid Price: \$6800.00

**Item No. 14. Open bids for irrigation system at soccer field. (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove opened the wing only sealed bid received for an irrigation system at the soccer field:

**College Pro Landscaping**

Date & Time received: 2-23-15 at 11:00 am

E-Verify included: Yes

Bid Price: \$6900.00

**Item No. 15. Roads Update**

The Board spoke with Alan regarding various road requests.

**Item No. 16. Urgent Matters**

There were no urgent matters.

**Item No. 17. Review March 2, 2015 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.**

Mrs. Wooten read March 2, 2015 agenda items.

**Item No. 18. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.**

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

**Item No. 19. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).**

There was no need for executive session.

**Item No. 20. Adjourn.**

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Bond the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:55 pm.