

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
MARCH 19, 2012
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 Jim Escoe

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

MEDIA PRESENT:

Zach Mitchem, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Cox, County Clerk

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led in the pledge to the American flag. He asked for a moment of silence for several in the community that passed away last week especially for Joe Dudley, Senior Center Director, whose wife, Patsy, passed away.

Item No. 1. Chairman's Report.

Chairman Dove informed the Board that the roof is leaking at the 911 center and he has asked David Camp, E-911 Director, to seek prices for the repair.

The land closing for the Neese Sanford VFD will be at 4:00 pm in Al Stone's office on March 21, 2012.

Mike Pruett, county attorney, has sent the redistricting to the attorney general.

Chairman Dove received a response to his letter from Billy Pittard, Chairman, Oglethorpe County, regarding their funding to keep Watson Mill a state park. Oglethorpe County agreed to contribute \$5000 in order to retain its status.

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

Chairman Dove recognized George Nale of the Library Board who requested the BOC to allow the library to be closed this Thursday and Friday in order for the subcontractors to finish their work.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved for the library to be closed these two days.

Chairman Dove requested that Zach, editor of the Journal, post on the newspaper's website the two days the library will be closed. Chairman Dove will contact the school and inform them.

Item No. 3. Report from IDA (Marvin White)

Mr. White gave an update since the last Agenda Setting Meeting.

Item No. 4. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on agenda items.

There were none.

Item No. 5. Consider allowing Robin Pendleton to open Laser Grading and Slope Stabilization for 2 soccer field bids on Monday, March 26, 2012 in the public meeting room. (Robin Pendleton)

Grady Autry, for Robin Pendleton, stated that the bids are due Friday, March 23, 2012 at 12:00 noon and requests permission to open the bids on Monday, March 26, 2012 in the public meeting room. He will bring the recommendation for approval at the Regular Business Meeting on April 2, 2012.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the request.

Item No. 6. Consider adding additional employees to the part-time call in list for EMS. (Jason Lewis)

The Board was given copies of all applications for the positions several days prior to the meeting. Jason requested to fill one full-time paramedic vacancy position with Robert (Bob) Gadd. The starting salary is \$12.74 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved Mr. Gadd for the paramedic position.

Jason also requested adding several candidates to the part-time call in list.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the candidates for the part-time call in list.

Item No. 7. Consider allowing Jason Lewis to sign a clinical agreement with Dawson County Emergency Services. (Jason Lewis)

Jason explained the agreement to the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the request.

Item No. 8. Consider allowing Chairman Dove to sign the 7.5% Safety Discount Verification Form. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove explained the discount which is through ACCG insurance programs.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved for Chairman Dove to sign the form.

Item No. 9. Consider republication of Code Codification. (Chairman Dove)

Mike Pruett, county attorney, stated that the Superior Court Clerk collects fees for the Law Library and there are sufficient funds to cover the cost of codification. We would do a republication of the Code Book which would allow payments to be scheduled through 2 budget years. Also, posting the Code of Ordinances online would be free for the first year. Once he receives a response from Judge Bailey regarding the funds available we can proceed with the republication.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the republication of the Code Book.

Item No. 10. Consider budget amendments for 2011. (Chairman Dove)

A budget amendment for the Registrar's office was due to changes in the law; for juvenile court was due to increased expenditure and for the Health Dept. was due to increased expenditure.

The Board discussed various other areas that were over budget.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the budget amendments.

Item No. 11. Roads Update.

Chairman Dove took requests from the Board for maintenance on roads in their districts.

Item No. 12. Urgent Matters.

None.

Item No. 13. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Larry Stewart spoke regarding transparency on budgets.

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 Bond, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:30 pm.