

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
APRIL 2, 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. Chairman Dove asked for a moment of silence for Al Moore who passed away. Mr. Moore attended many of the Board's meetings. Also, for the victims of the mass shooting in California.

Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of March 5, 2012 and Agenda Setting Meeting of March 19, 2012.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the minutes.

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

Ross Kesterson

Commissioner Youngblood stated that Mr. Kesterson was unable to attend.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report (Chairman Dove)

Both SPLOST and LOST are up, however, caution should be taken because of increased gas prices.

The city of Carlton has asked the county to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for solid waste and Magistrate Court. There are some concerns and county attorney, Mike Pruett, will check with their city attorney on the concerns. Chairman Dove asked for a motion.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved to allow Chairman Dove and the city of Carlton to come to an agreement.

Alan Lapczynski, Building Maintenance, requests permission to open the bids for the Poca VFD roof on April 12, 2012 at 1:00 pm in the public meeting room.

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

Item No. 4. Hearings and Actions on Rezone Matters, Special Use Permits, Etc.: (Linda Fortson and Wayne Douglas)

1. Bill and Linda Taylor are requesting to rezone 1.68 ac. from RR to A1 to combine with their adjoining property. The property is located on Nowhere Rd. on Map 16, Parcel 24 in District 1.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone to the Board and stated that P&Z voted 7 to 0 to approve. Mr. Taylor spoke in favor of the proposal. No one spoke in opposition of the proposal.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the rezone.

2. Linda Kay Holloman Ext. of her father's estate, the late Hoyt Nelms. She is requesting to rezone a portion of his 144.93 ac. from A1 to A2. This property is located on Crabapple Hollow Rd. on Map 17, Parcel 94 in District 1.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone to the Board and stated that P&Z voted 7 to 0 to approve. The applicant spoke in favor of the proposal. No one spoke in opposition of the proposal.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the rezone.

3. Chairman Wayne Douglas, the sign ordinance amendments.

Chairman Douglas explained the amendments which allows political signs in all

zoning classifications according to State law.

No one spoke in favor of the amendments.

Chip Chandler spoke in opposition of the amendments.

Commissioner Bond made a motion to accept amending the sign ordinance and second by Commissioner Youngblood.

The motion to accept amending the sign ordinance was approved by a vote of four (4) YES votes to one (1) NO vote.

The vote was as follows: Commissioner Escoe, NO; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES and Commissioner Bond, YES.

Item No. 5. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on agenda items.

There were no statements or remarks.

Item No. 6. Consent Agenda:

There were no items for the consent agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item No. 7. Consider bid recommendation for laser grading and slope stabilization for two soccer fields. (Robin Pendleton)

Grady Autry presented the two (2) bids that were received. They were:

Environmental Site Management LLC, Watkinsville, GA	\$86,888
Lord Farms & Custom Services, Danielsville, GA	\$90,000

Both bids contained the required affidavits and can be considered.

Grady stated there is a lot of work to be completed and he feels either company would do a good job. Grady also stated that funds are available for this job.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved Lord Farms & Custom Services for the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item No. 8. Consider quotes for the roof on the 911 center. (David Camp)

Mr. Camp stated that four (4) quotes were received. They were:

DH Construction (David Harris)	\$10,400
Terry Shelton	\$ 8,000
Bray Construction, Inc.	\$ 8,900
Stewart Dove's Sons Roofing Co.	\$ 6,800

Mr. Camp stated that he recommends Stewart Dove's & Sons Roofing Co.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved Stewart Dove's & Sons Roofing Co. for the project.

Item No. 9. Consider agreement offer from DNR on Watson Mill State Park. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove explained the latest agreement from DNR which provides keeping the pavilion opened (group shelter) at a cost of \$30,000 per year. Madison County would contribute \$21,700; Oglethorpe County would contribute \$5000 and Friends of Watson Mill State Park would contribute \$3300 in order to keep the pavilion and reservations opened.

Commissioner Bond made a motion to accept the agreement for \$30,000 per year in order to keep the pavilion and reservations opened. The motion was second by Commissioner Thomas.

The vote was as follows: Commissioner Escoe, NO; Commissioner Thomas, YES, Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES and Commissioner Bond, YES.

The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) YES votes to one (1) NO vote.

Item No. 10. Roads Update.

Chairman Dove stated the Comer school lane where parents pick up the students is in need of a turn lane. A DOT representative has checked the site and Chairman Dove has met with Vance Smith. The DOT will pave the lane if the county does the grading and sub-grading. Comer will move the utilities. The county has submitted engineer plans and hope they will give the word to proceed.

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

Item No. 11. Urgent Matters.

Commissioner Escoe asked if all budget amendments have been completed. Chairman Dove stated that he would need to ask Kathy Clark, Finance Director.

Commissioner Pethel asked for an update on moving the Food Bank to the new location. Chairman Dove informed the Board that Alan, Maintenance Dept., will build shelves and the items remaining from the Library would be moved to the side.

Item No. 12. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

There were none.

Item No. 13. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

No need for executive session.

Item No. 14. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:55 pm.