MEMBERS PRESENT:
Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 2 Commissioner John Pethel, Sr.
District 3 Commissioner Mike Youngblood
District 5 Commissioner Jim Escoe

MEMBERS ABSENT:
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 4 Commissioner Dewitt Bond

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 Wayne Douglas, P&Z, gave the invocation.

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 Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the minutes by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

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

Madison County’s 11 to 12 year old girls State Basketball Champions.

Chairman Dove read the Proclamation recognizing the 11-to-12 year old girls State Basketball Champions of the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association “B” tournament.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the Proclamation by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.
Chairman Dove recognized Sheliah Luthi, President of the Madison Oglethorpe Animal Shelter. Ms. Luthi introduced Tracy Gilmore, the new animal shelter director.

**Item No. 3. Chairman’s Report (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove read a letter from Advantage Behavioral Health Systems thanking the Board for finding a new home for Fine Finish.

SPLOST revenues are up 8% over this time last year.

Chairman Dove asked the Board for approval for him to sign a grant from GAEMS for EMS training.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved for Chairman Dove to sign the grant by a vote of 3 YES votes to NO votes.

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

1. Herman Maddox request to rezone 3 ac. of this 13.16 ac. property from A1 to RR to give to his grandson. The property is located on Map 42 Parcel 13-01 on Moons Grove Church Rd. in District 3.

   Chairman Douglas explained the rezone and stated that P&Z voted 7 to 0 to approve. The applicant was present but did not speak. No one spoke in opposition to the rezone.

   On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Escoe, the Board unanimously approved the rezone by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

2. Denise Scarborough is representing estate of her mother, Lois Payne. Per Mrs. Payne’s will, she is requesting to rezone her 11.31 ac. from A2 to RR to subdivide into 4 parcels. The property is located on Seagraves Mill Rd. on Map 15 Parcel 106 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 Youngblood and second by Commissioner Escoe, the Board unanimously approved the rezone by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.
3. John and Pat Dunleavy’s property located on Old Kincaid Rd., Map 57, Parcels 6, 6-01 and 6002.

Chairman Douglas, P&Z Board, explained to the P&Z Board everything that has occurred and the P&Z Board voted 7 to 0 to uphold the zoning ordinance which states the property will revert back to the original zone of A1 and does not require a public hearing. This information was provided to the BOC as an update of the property.

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 irrigation and sod bids for the 2 soccer fields. (Grady Autry)

Grady stated that two (2) bids were received for the irrigation installation for the 2 soccer fields. They were:

- **College Pro Landscaping, Hull, GA** $21,428.67
- **Perry’s Plumbing and Electrical** $28,000.00

Both bids contained the required affidavits and can be considered. Grady stated that the funds would come from SPLOST.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Esco, the Board unanimously approved College Pro Landscaping for the project by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

Next, Grady stated that only one (1) bid was received on the sod and installation for the 2 soccer fields. Grady stated the funds would come from SPLOST. The bid was from:

- **College Pro Landscaping, Hull, GA** $71,300.00

The bid contained the required affidavit.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved College Pro Landscaping for the sod and installation by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.
Item No. 8. Consider speed limit signs. (Chairman Dove)

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board unanimously approved 35 mph speed limit signs for Leon Ellis Rd; Mathis Rd. and the dirt portion of Duffell Martin Rd. by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item No. 9. Consider requesting bids for resurfacing of Colbert-Danielsville Rd. (Commissioners Escoe and Bond)

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved to seek bids for Colbert-Danielsville Rd. from the city limits of Colbert towards Danielsville to the intersection of Colbert Grove Church Rd. by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

The funds would come from SPLOST.

Item No. 10. Consider Resolution for the Purpose of Naming an Open Records Office, an Alternate Open Records Office and Other Purposes. (Mike Pruett)

Mike Pruett, county attorney, explained the Resolution for open records which is a new law regarding the Georgia’s Open Records Act and becomes effective immediately.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the Resolution by a vote of 3 YES votes to 0 NO votes.

Item No. 11. Roads Update.

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


There were no urgent matters.


Johnny Smith, 776 Young Harris Rd., spoke regarding the condition of his road. He stated that dust was bad, school buses and other vehicles use excessive speed on the road. He would like to have the road paved.

Chairman Dove stated that if T-SPLOST is approved by the voters at the end of July the road could be pave quickly. Mr. Smith thanked the Board.

Marvin White, IDA, informed the Board that the notice to proceed was received today for the feed mill and work should begin in early June.
Sally Bowen spoke regarding Old Kincaid Rd.

**Item No. 14.** Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

No need for executive session.

**Item No. 15.** Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood second by Commissioner Escoe, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:55 pm.