

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
MAY 22, 2014
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 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 requested a moment of silence for the loss of Franklin County's Deputy Thomas, son of Franklin County Sheriff Steve Thomas. Chairman Dove stated that flags are at half staff today out of respect for the loss and will remain at half staff over the weekend for Memorial Day.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of May 5, 2014 and Work Session of May 7, 2014.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of May 5, 2014 and the Work Session of May 7, 2014. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

District Attorney Parks White addressed the Board regarding a request for approval, in conjunction with Elbert, Franklin, Hart and Oglethorpe counties, for a State-Paid-County-Reimbursed Assistant District Attorney position. He gave a Power Point presentation showing examples of cases that have been tried and stated that his Assistant District Attorneys are overloaded. Commissioner Pethel made a motion to table this request until the budget hearings in June but there was no second. Discussion continued and appreciation for the work of the District Attorney's office was expressed. A decision regarding the request was not reached.

Matt Bidwell with MSI Benefits Group provided July 1, 2014 renewal quotes for health insurance coverage. Mr. Bidwell advised that the 12 month incurred loss ratio for Madison County is 138.64%; the carrier target is 85%. He explained the quotes received from Blue Cross Blue Shield and Athens Area Health Plan Select. After discussion, Matt said that he would revise one of the options and get it to Human Resources Manager Tracy Dake. The Board agreed to postpone consideration of this item until the June 2, 2014 meeting.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Dove stated that the Health Department building is continuing to settle in the front left corner and will need foundation work. County Engineer Phil Munro is looking into the situation and receiving estimates.

Chairman Dove stated that the net amount received from the Surplus Sale held on May 17, 2014 was \$4,123.46. He stated that we may want to consider EBay or sealed bids for future sales of computer parts.

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. Statement 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. Consider recommendation for Hook Truck. (Alan Lapczynski)

This item was postponed until the June 2, 2014 Board meeting to allow Alan more time to review the proposals.

Item No. 7. Consider recommendation for Kubota tractor. (Alan Lapczynski)

Proposals for the Kubota tractor were opened in the Public Meeting Room on May 21, 2014 at 2:30 PM by Public Works and Road Superintendent Alan Lapczynski and Payroll Clerk Deborah Marcom.

1. Palmer Equipment Company	\$39,732.44 - \$6,632.44 trade in for \$33,100.00 total
2. James Short Tractor	\$37,304.97 - \$5,000.00 trade in for \$32,304.97 total
3. Southside Equipment	\$37,500.00 - \$4,800.00 trade in for \$32,700.00 total
4. Kubota, Gene & Matt Tractor Sales	\$36,900.00 - \$6,500.00 trade in for \$30,400.00 total
5. Lashley Tractor Sales	\$37,589.00 - \$7,000.00 trade in for \$30,589.00 total
6. Mason Tractor	\$38,500.00 - \$4,500.00 trade in for \$34,000.00 total

The Mason Tractor bid was received through mail on 5-20-14 and opened by mail clerk because it did not have "Bids for Kubota Tractor Model M8560" marked on the envelope. The bid could not be considered.

Mr. Lapczynski recommended Gene & Matt Tractor Sales.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to accept the proposal from Gene & Matt Tractor Sales for \$30,400.00 with trade in. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove recognized Transfer Station Director Sandra Webb. Mrs. Webb addressed the Board regarding the need for equipment to transport recycled materials two times a week to Athens.

Item No. 8. Reconsider Zoning amendment discussed at May 5, 2014 Board meeting. (Chairman Dove)

The consideration of a Zoning amendment, presented at the May 5, 2014 meeting, to define Carport, Lean-To and Pole Barn and to exempt the requirement of a building permit for these structures was delayed until the May 22, 2014 meeting to allow time for the County Attorney and Building Inspection Director to look into the request. County Attorney Mike Pruett stated that the matter is not a Zoning issue but rather a Building Inspection issue and referred to the Administrative Procedure for Enforcement of Construction Codes that was adopted in 2002. Building Inspection Director Eddie Pritchett and Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman Wayne Douglas each addressed the Board regarding the request.

After discussion, on motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to add Carport, Lean-To and Pole Barn structures to the exemption list in the Administrative Procedures. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Consider allowing Chairman Dove to sign the resolution to adopt our updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove explained the requirement to complete and adopt a Hazard Mitigation Plan that fulfills the Federal requirements in order to remain eligible for Federal hazard mitigation funding.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to allow Chairman Dove to sign the Resolution authorizing adoption of the Madison County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 10. Discuss and review the 2013 budget. (Stanley Thomas)

This item was postponed until the June 2, 2014 Board meeting.

Item No. 11. Consider 2013 budget amendments. (Chairman Dove)

This item was postponed until the June 2, 2014 Board meeting.

Item No. 12. Roads Update

Chairman Dove stated that the culvert is in at Noble Road and that Moriah Church Road is basically ready. Commissioner Escoe stated that he would like to discuss Denver Campbell Drive at the June 2, 2014 Board meeting.

Item No. 13. Urgent Matters

There were no urgent matters.

Item No. 14. Review June 2, 2014 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.

Mrs. Wooten read the items that were to be placed on the June 2, 2014 agenda.

Item No. 15. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

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

Item No. 16. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

There was no need for Executive Session.

Item No. 17. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:05 pm.