

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
September 3, 2013
6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt Bond
District 3 Commissioner Mike Youngblood
District 4 Commissioner John Pethel, Sr.
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

MEDIA PRESENT:

Zach Mitchem, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT:

Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, led in the pledge to the American Flag and requested a moment of silence for the men and women in the Armed Forces.

Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the Agenda Setting Meeting of August 26, 2013. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the Agenda Setting Meeting minutes of August 26, 2013. 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 presented an application for a permit for Utility Facility Encroachment on Moons Grove Church Road, Buffington Road and Adams Road for placement of an Aerial Fiber Optic cable.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the application for a permit for Utility Facility Encroachment on Moons Grove Church Road, Buffington Road and Adams Road was approved. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove recommended applicant Stockton Smith for consideration to fill a recently vacated part time security position.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve hiring Stockton Smith for the part time security position. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove stated that Wellness Coordinator, Tracy Patrick applied and received the \$2500 Wellness grant and gave a Wellness Program update stating we have 50+ members participating in the program, 22 members participated in the annual wellness screening and 198 pounds have been lost.

Chairman Dove stated a total of 538 students received needed school supplies thanks to the efforts of the Madison Area Resource Team along with several contributors and volunteers working together at the Back to School Supply Rally.

Chairman Dove stated David Geiger cleaned up an old 1956 elementary school building plaque. David painted the lettering and built a frame. Chairman Dove encouraged people to look at the beautiful piece of craftsmanship located on the hall adjacent to the Public Meeting Room.

Chairman Dove stated that the air conditioning system at the jail is not working and that we need to go out with RFPs. He stated that this purchase should be able to work in as a SPLOST purchase with the new jail addition.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board approved the writing of a Request for Proposal for new air conditioning units. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

None

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.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Item No. 6. Consider Resolution to combine the School Board, IDA and County Millage Rate. (Chairman Dove)

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the resolution to combine the School Board, IDA and County Millage rate. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 7. Consider recommendation of ambulance purchase. (Jason Lewis)

Chairman Dove stated that EMS Director, Jason Lewis, had to pick up his son and is on his way. Chairman Dove asked if there were any objections to the recommendation of the ambulance purchase being taken up later in the meeting. There were no objections. Item numbers eight and nine were handled prior to this item.

EMS Director, Jason Lewis, presented bid information submitted from Peach State Ambulance on the pricing of a remount ambulance and bid information from Emergency Vehicle Sales on the pricing of a newly manufactured AEV Trauma Hawk ambulance. Mr. Lewis discussed the aging fleet and stated that he was looking to replace ambulance numbers 1, 3, 4 and 7 over the next few years. Mr. Lewis recommended the purchase of the newly manufactured AEV Trauma Hawk ambulance from Emergency Vehicle Sales at a price of \$125,065.00. Mr. Lewis stated he believed this to be the best fit for Madison County as the new structure is a more efficient use of space for the technician which should translate into a safer environment for the patient. He also stated that the new build has a 20 year structural warranty versus the three year 36 thousand mile warranty on the remount.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Escoe and seconded by Commissioner Youngblood to purchase a 2013 AEV Trauma Hawk ambulance from Emergency Vehicle Sales out of SPLOST. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider purchase of a mower. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove stated that after discussion he told the Recreation Department to get information on the mowers that they use so that maybe we can give one of their mowers to the Sheriff's Department. The quotes provided by the Recreation Department for a new Classic 2760 Dixie Chopper are as follows:

Royston Rental & Sales	\$8,850.00
Riverside Mower, Inc.	\$7,804.60
HARCO Equipment Rental & Sales	\$8,310.14
Toccoa Rental True Value Hardware	\$9,281.73

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve the purchase of a new Classic 2760 Dixie Chopper mower from Riverside Mower, Inc and to give Rec Dept mower #3 to the Sheriff's Department. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Consider speed limit signs on Frank Bird Road, Sunray Hatchery Road and Aderhold Rogers Road. (Stanley Thomas)

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to have two 35mph signs on the dirt road part of Aderhold Rogers Road and 35mph signs all the way down Frank Bird Road. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 10. Road Update

A road update, prepared by Public Works and Road Superintendent Alan Lapczynski, was submitted for the Boards' information.

Item No. 11. Urgent Matters

None

Item No. 12. Statement and Remarks from Citizens

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

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

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 14. Adjourn

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 6:55pm.