

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
October 28, 2013
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 Mitchem, Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT:

Rhonda 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 to remember the two injured firemen, Charlie Burroughs and Randy Wilson and to remember Andy Collier who was hospitalized due to a motorcycle accident and the passing of Mr. Drake due to a house fire and the passing of Mr. Coker.

Item No. 1. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of October 7, 2013. Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2013 meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

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

Chairman Dove read a proclamation recognizing Ms. Lucy Pulliam's 101st birthday. Commissioner Pethel stated that Ms. Pulliam is an inspiration.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve the proclamation recognizing Ms. Lucy Pulliam's 101st birthday. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Ms. Pulliam graciously accepted the proclamation.

Mr. Chip Chandler came forward to speak regarding the Road Apple Trail Race being held on Sunday, November 17, 2013 at Watson Mill Bridge State Park. The park fundraiser hosted by the Friends of Watson Mill Bridge State Park will be held in hopes of bringing new awareness to the park.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Dove stated that the 2012 Workers' Compensation audit resulted in a refund of \$10,918.00.

Chairman Dove stated that a couple donated ten defibrillators to the county, two for the school and eight for the First Responders. We now have a total of 28 in the county.

Chairman Dove stated that the employees had a very good Chili Cook Off today and the winner was Gayle Bales.

Chairman Dove stated that a benefit for Andy and Missy Collier will be held at The Butt Hut Barbeque in Athens on Wednesday, October 30th.

Chairman Dove read an update report of the ongoing recovery of the two injured firemen and stated that a county wide Boot Drive will be held by all of the Fire Departments on Saturday, November 9th from 8:00 to noon.

Chairman Dove stated that James Drake lost his life in a fire last Friday. Chairman Dove extended his thanks to all of the fire departments for the work that they did at the fire scene.

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 hiring for Transfer Station Part-time Call In List. (Sandra Webb)

This item was postponed.

Item No. 7. Consider accepting the Republican Party's nominee, Lisa Mathis, for the Board of Elections. (Chairman Dove)

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board agreed to accept the Republican Party's nominee, Lisa Mathis, for the Board of Elections. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 8. Consider Furnished Employee Agreement with District Attorney. (Chairman Dove)

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board agreed to accept the District Attorney Furnished Employee Agreement. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 9. Discuss 4 Way Stop at Sailors Road and Planter Gunnell Road. (Stanley Thomas)

Commissioner Thomas stated that the sight distance is not good at the Sailors Road and Planter Gunnell Road intersection and would like for a 4 way stop to be considered for that location.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board agreed to place the consideration of a 4 way stop at Sailors Road and Planter Gunnell Road on the next agenda. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 10. Road Update

Commissioner Thomas stated that there are some pot holes and filled ditches that need to be taken care of on Belhaven Lane.

Commissioner Bond said that in his driving around he has noticed that the grass and ditches look good.

Commissioner Youngblood suggested checking with the state regarding trash pick-up on Highway 29.

Commissioner Pethel inquired about adding pipe at 146 Noble Road.

Commissioner Escoe inquired about the status of the bridge on Waggoners Grove Church Road.

Item No. 11. Urgent Matters

None.

Item No. 12. Review November 4, 2013 agenda for Regular Business Meeting.

Mrs. Wooten read the items that were to be placed on the November 4, 2013 agenda.

Item No. 13. Statement and Remarks from Citizens.

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

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 Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:10 pm.