

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
NOVEMBER 3, 2014  
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 Mitcham, Madison County Journal

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rhonda S. 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 asked Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman Wayne Douglas to give the invocation.

**Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes:**

**Minutes of Agenda Setting Meeting of October 27, 2014. Minutes have been distributed.**

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the minutes of October 27, 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.**

None

**Item No. 3. Chairman's Report.**

Chairman Dove advised the Board that a resolution has been requested by ACCG to designate a County Legislative Coordinator and asked if any of the Board members would be interested in accepting this position.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to approve the resolution and reappoint Chairman Dove as the County Legislative Coordinator. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove stated that he has been contacted by the Madison County School System regarding a contract with Bus Shield to place cameras on school buses that will video cars passing buses in violation of law. County Attorney Mike Pruett explained the process of citations and fine collections.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to have County Attorney Mike Pruett explore the contract. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove advised the Board that consideration needs to be given to the hiring of a prosecuting attorney for juvenile cases since the district attorney has pulled out from prosecuting for the juvenile judge.

After discussion with County Attorney Mike Pruett, on motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board voted to allow the county attorneys for the Northern Judicial District to get together and go out for bid to select a prosecuting attorney for up to \$300 per county per month and also allow the juvenile judge to appoint an attorney to be the prosecutor until a selection has been made. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove stated that there have been several recent fires around the county and asked Commissioner Youngblood, as a fireman, to say something again reminding everyone of the importance in checking their smoke alarms. Commissioner Youngblood said that there were six fire calls in the Hull area in the last three days. Commissioner Youngblood stressed the importance at this time of year to check furnaces and to check the batteries in smoke alarms. He urged everyone to check and be on guard.

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

1. Stephen and Mary Warner are requesting to rezone their 9.33 acre parcel from A2 to A1 to combine with their adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 100 on Coley Davis Road in district two.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone request and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted Six (6) to zero (0) to approve the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in favor of the request. The applicants, Stephen and Mary Warner, stated that they were in favor of the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in opposition of the request. No one came forward.

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On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the request to rezone a 9.33 acre tract on Map 41 Parcel 100 from A2 to A1 to combine with adjoining

property. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

2. Joe Young and Rodney Alldredge owners of Clearwater Farms LLC are requesting a Conditional Use Permit on their 66.18 acre property for a recreational development for clay shooting. The Property is located on Map 35 Parcel 18 on Highway 106 North in district two.

Chairman Douglas explained the Conditional Use request and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted six (6) to zero (0) to approve the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in favor of the request. The applicant, Joe Young, stated that he was in favor of the request and two other citizens raised their hands indicating that they were in favor of the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in opposition of the request. No one came forward.

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On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve the Conditional Use Permit for recreational development for clay shooting on Map 35 Parcel 18. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

3. Joe Young and Rodney Alldredge owners of Clearwater Farms LLC are requesting a Conditional Use Permit on approximately 60 acres of the 512.63 acre farm for an Event Hall for weddings in an existing barn, to be allowed to have horse events at the riding arena and to convert one of the barns into a bunkhouse for the guests. The property is located on Map 35 on Highway 106 North in district two.

Chairman Douglas explained the Conditional Use Permit and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted six (6) to zero (0) to approve the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in favor of the request. The applicant, Joe Young, stated that he was in favor of the request and two other citizens raised their hands indicating that they were in favor of the request.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in opposition of the request. No one came forward.

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On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board voted to approve the Conditional Use Permit for an Event Hall for weddings in an existing barn, to be allowed to have horse events at the riding arena and to convert one of the barns into a bunkhouse for the guests on approximately 60 acres of the 512.63 acre tract located on Map 35 Parcel 17. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman Wayne Douglas advised the Board that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted six (6) to zero (0) to not accept the appeal of the decision made by the Planning and Zoning Administrator to permit the installation of a crematory at Ivie Funeral Home. Chairman Douglas said that they believed that there was no standing to file an appeal.

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

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item No. 6. Consider tax refund for Kimberly Dawn Nix. (Melanie Kidd)**

Tax Commissioner Melanie Kidd addressed the Board regarding a request to lower Kimberly Dawn Nix's vehicle value to zero to compensate for an error in not opting the vehicle into the TAVT system. She explained that Ms. Nix paid seven percent sales tax when she purchased the vehicle and should have been opted into the TAVT system but that there was an oversight in the Tax and Tag office.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to approve the request. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 7. Discuss and consider 25 mile per hour speed limit on Gatewood Drive. (Jim Escoe)**

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board voted to approve a 25 mile per hour speed limit and speed limit signs on Gatewood Drive. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 8. Discuss and consider asbestos abatement & demolition of the old building in front of the Danielsville Fire Station. (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove presented the Board with three quotes that he had received for asbestos abatement and demolition of the old building in front of the Danielsville Fire Station. The Board discussed the safety hazard of the building.

Commissioner Escoe made a motion to contract with Bilmar to remove the asbestos and the building. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion.

On amended motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to contract with Bilmar to remove the asbestos and the building and to pay out of cash reserves. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Youngblood, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 9. Roads Update**

Chairman Dove gave updates on Aderhold Rogers Road, Duffel Martin Road and stated several patching and striping jobs have been handled.

Commissioner Thomas had road requests for Sunray Hatchery Road, Beck Road, O'kelley Road and Planter Gunnel Road.

Commissioner Youngblood had a culvert request for James Holcomb Road.

**Item No. 10. Urgent Matters**

None

**Item No. 11. Statement and Remarks from Citizens**

Joy English approached the Board and spoke in opposition of the crematory at Ivie Funeral Home.

Glenda Bridges approached the Board and spoke in opposition of the crematory at Ivie Funeral Home.

Sam Callahan approached the Board and spoke in favor of the crematory at Ivie Funeral Home.

**Item No. 12. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).**

There was no need for executive session.

**Item No. 13. Adjourn**

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:28 pm.