

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2010
6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

MEDIA PRESENT:

Zach Mitchem, Madison County Journal
Erin France, Athens Banner

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Cox, County Clerk

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. and led in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. Commissioner Scogin gave the invocation.

Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of October 4, 2010 and Agenda Setting Meeting of October 25, 2010.

Minutes have been distributed.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the above minutes.

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

Chris Quigley – Discuss sewer grant application.

Chairman Dove recognized Mr. Quigley of Peoples & Quigley, Inc., Consulting Engineers, who informed the Board of a proposed sewer plan application for a county wide sewer system. The sewer service would be from Hull to Comer along Highway 72 as shown on the Service Area Map provided to the Board. The intent is for the sewerage system operations to be self-sustaining. The project would only be pursued if enough customers sign-up for service and favorable funding is secured. Funding would consist of a USDA grant and low interest loans. There were various questions from the Board which Mr. Quigley responded. Chairman Dove stated that the Board would not vote on this item tonight. The Board would inform the public of the service and seek questions from them for Mr. Quigley. Chairman Dove stated the Board would educate themselves on this and to the citizens and this item would be discussed at a later date.

Item No. 3. Chairman's Report (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove informed the Board that bids for the Glenn Carrie Road/Fortson Store Road at US 29/SR8 were opened per Board approval on October 29, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in the public meeting room and read aloud. The public was invited to attend. Those in attendance were: Chairman Anthony Dove; Christopher M. Parypinski, Construction Manager for Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc.; Linda Cox, County Clerk; Commissioner Mike Youngblood and representatives from each of the bidders: ER Snell Contractor, Inc. and Pittman Construction Company.

The bids were:

ER Snell Contractor, Inc.	\$286,979.00
Pittman Construction Company	\$249,221.80

Pittman Construction presented the low bid which is 86.83% of the estimated cost. Moreland Altobelli reviewed the bid prices for all items and concluded the low bid to be acceptable. They recommend that the contract be awarded to Pittman Construction Company.

Chairman Dove asked for a motion. On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously awarded the contract to Pittman Construction Company.

Chairman Dove stated that Moreland Altobelli can prepared the contract and consult with Mike Pruett, county attorney, with the Board's approval. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved for Moreland Altobelli to prepare the contract and consult with our county attorney.

Chairman Dove read a proclamation for Retired Educators Day on November 7, 2010 and asked the Board's approval for him to sign the proclamation.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Scogin, the Board unanimously approved for Chairman Dove to sign the proclamation.

Chairman Dove gave the audit report from NEGRC on the Senior Center. All areas were in compliance and it was noted that the staff is to be commended for doing an outstanding job.

Chairman Dove presented an application from Windstream Communications to place direct buried telephone cable under Holman Autry Road at address #1104 with direct buried telephone cable placed through for 60 feet. Chairman Dove asked for a motion.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Scogin, the Board unanimously approve the application from Windstream Communications.

Chairman Dove informed the Board that bids for replacing the scales at the Transfer Station will be due Tuesday, November 18th and Sandra Webb would like to request a pre-opening on Friday, November 19th at 12:00 noon in the Chairman's office. Sandra Webb will notify the applicants of the pre-opening date and time. Chairman Dove asked for a motion.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved the pre-opening of bids.

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

1. Tina Rogers is representing her mother, Louise Martin. She is requesting to rezone 2.99 ac. from RR to R1 to subdivide 2 existing homes on the property. The property is located on Moriah Ch. Rd. on Map 56 Parcel 13 in District 5.

Chairman Douglas presented the request to the Board and stated that P&Z voted 4 to 0 to deny. The applicant was not present. No one spoke in favor of the proposal. One citizen spoke against the proposal. Chairman Dove asked for a motion.

On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously denied the rezone request.

2. Bobby and Pam Kyle are requesting to rezone 26.28 ac from A1 to A2. The property is located off Jot Em Down Rd. on Map 8 Parcel 24 in District 2.

Chairman Douglas presented the request to the Board and stated that P&Z voted 4 to 0 to approve. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the rezone.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the rezone.

3. Richard Garrett request to rezone 40.20 ac. from \$1 back to A2. The property is located on Hwy 09 East on Map 67 Parcel 13-D in District 4.

Chairman Douglas presented the request to the Board and stated that P&Z voted 4 to 0 to approve. The applicant was not present. Ralph Strickland spoke in favor of the proposal. No one spoke against the proposal.

On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the rezone.

Item No. 5. Statements and remarks from citizens on agenda items.

None.

Item No. 6. Consent Agenda.

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item No. 7. Consider recommendation for full-time EMS shift supervisor. (Jason Lewis)

Jason Lewis, EMS Director, present Joel 'David' Rogers for the position of Paramedic Shift Supervisor. The Board received a copy of the application several days prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Pethel stated that Mr. Lewis had made a very, very good selection. Mr. Rogers is a good man.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved Joel 'David' Rogers for the position of Paramedic Shift Supervisor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item No. 8. There was no new business.

Item No. 9. Roads Update.

The Board had received a copy of the work from the Road Dept. for the month of October. Chairman Dove took requests from the Board for maintenance on roads in their districts.

Item No. 10. Urgent Matters.

Commissioner Pethel stated he had a couple of questions. How soon before the end of the year does the Board need to request bids on the copier maintenance and the software systems? Chairman Dove stated probably at the next meeting which will be the Agenda Setting meeting.

Item No. 11. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Mr. Warren spoke on the sewer system.

Item No. 18. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or litigation (if needed).

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 19. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:30 pm.