

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
FEBRUARY 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

**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. Chairman Dove asked for a moment of silence for Olis Winn, 88 years old, who died last night due to a fire in his house.

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

**Minutes have been distributed.**

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of January 4, 2010; Special Called Meeting of January 14, 2010 and Agenda Setting Meeting of January 25, 2010.

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

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

There were none.

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

Chairman Dove requested permission from the Board to sign the Addendum to the Lease-Purchase Agreement between Madison County BOC and Danielsville Community Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. and Leasing 2, Inc. Mike Pruett, County Attorney, explained the addendum to the Board with his approval.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Scogin, the Board unanimously approved for the Chairman to sign the Addendum.

Chairman Dove requested permission from the Board to sign the yearly Facilities Use Agreement between the BOC and the Madison County Little League, Inc.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved for the Chairman to sign the agreement.

Chairman Dove requested permission from the Board to sign documents for the SAVE program. Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program. The SAVE program is an intergovernmental information-sharing initiative designed to assist Federal and State government agencies and non-government agencies, such as licensing bureaus, in determining an individual's immigration status. The information provided by SAVE will ensure that only entitled applicants will be granted the public benefits that they applied for. Chairman Dove stated that the County Clerk had been talking with someone in Washington, DC regarding this. Mike Pruett, County Attorney, stated that this was the counter-part to E-Verify which is a federal program to verify the legal status of employees. The SAVE program is for county benefits such as alcohol license, retirement and health insurance.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved for the Chairman to sign the documents.

Chairman Dove stated that he would like to bring before the Board the names for a Public Safety Review Board to assist in the hiring of a new EMS Director. After the hiring of the EMS Director this Board would transition into the Public Safety Board which would meet and solve problems within Public Safety. Eventually, the EMS Director would serve on this Board. Chairman Dove has spoken with the following and each has agreed to be a member or their designee.

1. Marc Perry, President of the Madison County VFD.
2. Frank Edwards, First Responder
3. Johnny Bridges, EMA Director
4. Kip Thomas, Madison County Sheriff
5. Harry Carter

Chairman Dove stated that he looked for someone whose was highly regarded and Mr. Carter was in on the start of the EMS in Madison County. He has agreed to only serve on

the Board during the process of hiring the EMS Director. The new EMS Director would then become a member of the board in place of Mr. Carter. This Board would decide on questions to ask the new EMS Director and the recommended applicant would be brought to the Chairman for his recommendation to the BOC.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the above candidates to the Public Safety Review Board.

Chairman Dove gave a report on LOST and SPLOST which were up about 10.5% over this time last year and slightly up over last month. Building inspection was about the same as this time last year.

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

1. Donald Jones request to rezone 23.95 ac from A-2 to A-1 to combine with a portion of his adjoining property. The property is located on Map 67 Parcel 20 on Johnson Bridges Rd. in District 4.

Chairman Douglas stated that the P&Z Board voted 5 to 0 to approve. On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved the rezone request of Donald Jones.

**Chairman Douglas stated that the next eight (8) items for Dorinda Dallmeyer were considered in one vote.**

2. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 3.25 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 27 Parcel 178 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
3. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 3.01 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 38 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
4. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 1.47 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 37 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
5. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 1.21 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 36 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
6. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 1.21 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 35 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.

7. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 9.99 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 34 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
8. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone .50 ac from A1 to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 27 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.
9. Dorinda Dallmeyer is requesting to rezone 8.18 ac from RR to A2 to combine with her adjoining property. The property is located on Map 41 Parcel 26 on Booger Hill Rd. in District 4.

Chairman Douglas stated that the P&Z voted 5 to 0 to approve Items 2 through 9 for Dorinda Dallyeyer.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved Items Item 2 through 9 for Dorinda Dallmeyer.

10. Lisa Bentley is requesting to rezone approximately 2 ac of her 15.7 ac parcel from A1 to B2. The property is located on Map 83 Parcel 30A on Hwy 172 in District 5.

Chairman Douglas stated that P&Z voted 5 to 0 to approve with condition that no inoperable equipment is kept permanently on the property.

On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved the above rezone request with the condition that no inoperable equipment is kept permanently on the property.

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

None.

**Item No. 6. Consent Agenda:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item No. 7. Consider changes and/or amendments to the Madison County General Policy. (Donna Sisk)**

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved the changes and/or amendments to the General Policy.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item No. 8. Consider moving the Sheriff's Dept. firing range to a location at the Sheriff's Dept. (Sheriff Thomas)**

Shawn Burns, Chief Deputy, spoke for Sheriff Thomas who was unable to attend due to illness. Mr. Burns distributed aerial photos of the new location along with a diagram. Mr. Burns stated that the new location would have a 20 foot berm whereas they only have a 15 foot berm now. There are no restrooms, running water or electricity at the present location which has caused some issues. The new range would be behind the new training facility. The sheriff's department would cover the cost of the new range.

There were various discussions from the Board regarding the impact the range could have on residents, The Fine Finish School and the health department. The Board plans to have a public hearing before voting on whether to move the range. Chairman Dove stated that Linda Fortson, P&Z, could help with contacting landowners in the area.

**Item No. 9. Consider Tax Refund Request for Clinton Hartage. (Robin Baker)**

Mr. Baker explained that Mr. Hartage's account had been listed as a duplication of account number 25137. The account has been deleted for the 2010 tax year. The Board of Assessors, at their regular scheduled meeting on December 10, 2009, voted and approved to correct the errors and to recommend a refund for the 2009 tax year totaling \$241.67.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved the refund.

**Item No. 10. Consider Tax Refund Request for Eddy Fowler. (Robin Baker)**

Mr. Baker explained that Mr. Fowler's account had a mobile home charged on both the pre-bill and real property file. The mobile home has been deleted from the real property file and is listed as pre-bill account 7160. The Board of Assessors, at their regular scheduled meeting on December January 14, 2010 voted and approved to correct the errors and to recommend a refund for the 2008 tax year totaling \$296.55.

On motion by Commissioner Bond an second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved the refund.

**Item No. 11. Roads Update.**

Chairman Dove gave an update on work from the Road Department and took requests from the BOC for maintenance on roads in their districts. Chairman Dove also requested a study on some roads for speed limits.

**Item No. 12. Urgent Matters.**

None.

**Item No. 13. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.**

Gina Ward commented on the Road Dept. dumping gravel and not spreading it on Waggoner's Grove Church Rd. She also asked when a meeting was going to be set for a work session concerning dirt roads that are a priority for paving and repairs. Chairman Dove stated that the Board was working on a date for the work session.

Kathy Connell spoke regarding the EMS situation and why no one was being held liable. She stated that her daughter, Melinda Spence, was prosecuted for theft and is serving time in prison and feels that someone should be held accountable at the EMS station.

**Item No. 14. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).**

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Scogin the Board went into executive session to discuss litigation at 7:40 pm.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:15 pm.

**Item No. 15. Adjourn.**

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Scogin, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:15pm