

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
AGENDA SETTING MEETING
MARCH 30, 2009
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, The Madison County Journal

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Cox, Acting County Clerk
Gary Venable, IT Director
Mike Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Dove asked Commissioner Bond to give the invocation.

Item No. 1. Chairman's Report (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the Item Number and gave a report on several subjects noted on the Chairman's Report included with these minutes. Chairman Dove recognized David Camp, E-911, to explain the request for proposals to update the county map books and wall maps. David gave a detail explained of the process and what the mapping entailed. David Camp asked permission from the Board to open the bids on April 20, 2009, since this would be a lengthy process. Chairman Dove thanked David for his presentation and asked for a motion. Commissioner Bond made a motion to approve the opening of bids on April 20, 2009. Chairman Dove asked for second to the motion. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES;

Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes. David also requested that this item be put on the next agenda of April 6, 2009. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Mike Youngblood made a motion to put the item on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES, Commissioner Youngblood; Commissioner Pethel, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

David's next item was a plan to release a Request for Proposals for a new Computer Aided Dispatch system on April 6, 2009. David explained that since these proposals will be highly technical in nature and lengthy he seeks the Board's approval to open the sealed proposals on May 26, 2009. David also requested that this item be put on the next agenda of April 6, 2009. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put this item on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Bond made a motion to put the item on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Chairman Dove's next subject was an application for Beer and Wine license from Pizza & Sub Express, Inc. in Hull, GA, to be put on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Chairman Dove asked for discussion. Several Commissioners asked questions and discussed process of the license. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Mike Youngblood made a motion to put on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Chairman Dove's next subject was a request for a permit for Utility Facility Encroachment on New Haven Church Rd. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put on the agenda of April 6, 2009. Chairman Bond made a motion to put on the agenda for April 6, 2009. Chairman Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked for any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES, Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 2. Report from IDA. (Marvin White)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Marvin White. Mr. White gave a monthly update on projects and completions from the IDA.

Item No. 3. Statements and remarks from Citizens on agenda items.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked if there were statements and remarks from the audience on any agenda item. Cindy Sartain spoke on Item No. 11. Chairman Dove stated her concerns would be addressed when this item came up for discussion. Chairman Dove thanked Ms. Sartain for her comments. Chairman Dove asked if there was anyone else to speak on an agenda item. Mr. Roger Coile came forward and spoke on the Occupation Tax/Business. Chairman Dove stated his concerns would be addressed when this item came up for discussion. Chairman Dove thanked Mr. Coile for his comments.

Item No. 4. Consider refunds for two (2) taxpayers; Mrs. Lee Rice Estate – Refund for 2005& 2006 for parcels 0086-007 & 0086-007-AOZ; Refund for Sharon Turpin for 2207 for parcel 0077-018. (Stacy Rubio)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Stacy Rubio. Ms. Rubio gave an explanation for the request of the two refunds. The amount to be refunded to Mrs. Lee Rice Estate is \$729.36 and the refund amount for Sharon Turpin is \$630.45. Chairman Dove asked for a motion on the refund for Mrs. Lee Rice Estate. Commissioner Bond made a motion to refund the amount to Mrs. Lee Rice Estate. Commissioner Youngblood seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked for any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Chairman Bond, YES; Chairman Thomas, YES; Chairman Pethel, YES; Chairman Scogin, YES; Chairman Youngblood, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Chairman Dove asked for motion on the refund for Sharon Turpin. Commissioner Bond made a motion to refund the amount to Ms. Turpin. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 5. Consider Personnel issues: Andy McLendon – certified as Code Enforcement II and EMS – Rehire Jonathan Looney for part-time call in list. (Donna Sisk)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Donna Sisk of Human Resource. Donna explained the rehire for Jonathan Looney for part-time call in list. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to approve the rehire of Jonathan Looney for part-time call in list. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Youngblood,

YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

The next personnel item was Andy McClendon certified as Code Enforcement II. Ms. Sisk explained the certification and stated that our current wage table does not support the title. Chairman Dove stated that the BOC could recommend to table this item for later discussion. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to table for later discussion. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. Commissioner Youngblood asked Ms. Sisk what the pay scale was for a code enforcer. Ms. Sisk stated that the only listing is for a Code Enforcer Director and no title exists on the wage scale without Director attached to it. Chairman Dove asked if there was any other discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion to table was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 6. Discuss purchasing additional vehicles for sheriff's department. (Sheriff Kip Thomas)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Sheriff Thomas. Sheriff Thomas stated he wants to purchase a vehicle to transport inmates for the jail. The vehicle they use now is not set up for transport. It does not have a cage, no markings, does not have lights, is top heavy and has over 100 thousand miles. He has found a brand new vehicle, fully equipped for \$18,788 which was the lowest bid. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Bond made a motion to approve the purchase of the vehicle for the sheriff's department. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 7. Consider Speed Zone Ordinance for Madison County. (Sheriff Kip Thomas)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Sheriff Thomas. Sheriff Thomas explained the adding of two (2) school zones to the Ordinance. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Pethel made motion to approve the adding of two (2) school zones to the ordinance. Commissioner Scogin seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 8. Discuss changes to Animal Control Ordinance. (Jack Huff)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Jack Huff, Director of Animal Control. Mr. Huff explained the changes he is proposing and after a lengthy period of questions and answers Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to table this item. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES. The motion to table this item was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 9. Consider bids for county lawn maintenance. (Alan Lapczynski)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Alan Lapczynski. Alan stated that they received four (4) bids and the lowest bid was submitted by Tim Nunn General Contracting Services, LLC at \$270 per cutting. Alan stated that this is the same company that had the contract last year and he is very pleased with the service. Alan stated that he recommends this company for the contract. Chairman Dove asked for a motion. Commissioner Pethel made a motion to approve Tim Nunn General Contracting Services for the county lawn maintenance. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 10. Consider Proclamation for Madison County's Recreational Department's 11 and 12 year old State Basketball Champions. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and explained the Proclamation. The team had a conflict and was unable to attend the meeting. They will attend the next BOC meeting to be recognized. Chairman Dove asked for a motion for the Proclamation. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Proclamation. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 11. Discuss waiving tax fees for James Neal Sartain, Cindi Sartain, POA.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Cindi Sartain. Ms. Sartain explained the circumstances involving her request to waive the tax fees. Chairman Dove recognized County Attorney Mike Pruett. Mr. Pruett stated that Tax Commissioner Louise Watson would need to bring this matter before the BOC with a recommendation to waive the fees. Ms. Sartain needs to request the Tax Commissioner to come before the Board regarding this matter. Chairman Dove stated that the Board would need Ms.

Watson, Tax Commissioner, to bring this item before the Board in order for the Board to vote on it.

Item No. 12. Discuss internships with Madison County High School for the Senior Center. (Joe Dudley)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and stated that this item will need to be tabled since Mr. Dudley is not ready to move forward. There are some areas to work out with the school and they are not ready at this time. This item is tabled until further notice.

Item No. 13. Discuss Right of Way Deed between Madison County Industrial Development and Building Authority, Inc. and Madison County, Georgia. Business Drive and Millcreek Dr. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and stated that this item was ready. Stated he needed a motion to put this item on the next agenda. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to put this item on the next agenda. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES. The motion to put on the April 6, 2009, agenda was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 14. Discuss Occupation Tax/Business License. (Eddie Pritchett)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Eddie Pritchett. Mr. Pritchett explained the different proposals. Various questions and answers were presented. The Board asked for clarification on some areas. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put this item on the next agenda of April 6, 2009. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to put this item on the agenda of April 6, 2009. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion to put on the April 6, 2009, agenda was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 15. Discuss video of meetings and the termination of American Law Enforcement Network's contract. (Gary Venable)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and recognized Gary Venable. Gary explained that the trial runs of the videos are all good and ready to be put on line. Requests that this item be put on the next agenda of April 6, 2009, for consideration. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put this item on the next agenda. Commissioner Youngblood made

a motion to put the item on the April 6, 2009, agenda. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES. The motion to put on the April 6, 2009, was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

The next item regarded the termination of American Law Enforcement Network's contract. Mr. Venable stated that the Sheriff's Dept. no longer uses this service and would like to terminate the contract which will renew in January 2010. He would like for this item to be put on the next agenda. Chairman Dove asked for motion to put this item on the agenda. Commissioner Pethel made a motion to put the item on the next agenda. Commissioner Scogin seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion to put on the next agenda was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 16. Discuss in house engineer. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked Marvin White of the IDA to come forward and explain. Mr. White stated this would be on a contract basis for the IDA and county and listed the qualifications advertised. Chairman Dove stated that the next meeting of the IDA will not be before the next BOC meeting, therefore, this item cannot be allowed on next week's agenda.

Item No. 17. Discuss contract with the Volunteer Fire Departments. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and stated that the Volunteer Fire Departments had requested at the Chief's meeting to required a minimum \$50,000 security bond since they receive public funds from the county and for the county to allow the departments to get diesel fuel from the county in case of emergencies. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to put on next week's agenda. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to put on next week's agenda. Commissioner Youngblood seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES. The motion to put on next week's agenda was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 18. Discuss Board of Assessors and Chief Appraiser. (Chairman Dove)

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and stated that two (2) Mondays ago Ms. Rubio had given her two (2) week resignation. That would have left no Appraiser III and basically shutting the office down. At the Special Called Meeting the Board approved changing 23A of the Personnel Policy that allowed the BOC to get involved in the Tax

Assessors office. I did not want to do it but I was elected by the citizens of Madison County and I had to make some quick decisions. I spoke with Stacy and she decided to stay. I assured her that the BOC appreciates her work and would like for her to stay. Chairman Dove stated many reasons as to why he was taking this direction with the BOA. Several remarks were made from the members of the BOC regarding the BOA's lack to get the digest out in a timely manner. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss the Board of Assessors. Commissioner Scogin made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the BOA. Chairman Dove reminded the BOC that they would speak only on the BOA and its and their members and no other items would be discussed. Chairman Dove asked for a second motion for executive session. Commissioner Pethel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Youngblood, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES.

The Board went into executive session and returned at 8:35 p.m. Chairman Dove called the meeting back to order from executive session. Chairman Dove asked for a motion from the BOC on direction on what direction to following in writing a letter of dismissal to the BOA. Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to have County attorney, Mike Pruett, draw up a letter of dismissal of the Board of Assessors. Chairman Dove asked for a second on the motion. Commissioner Scogin seconded the motion. Chairman Dove asked if there was any discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Commissioner Thomas, YES; Commissioner Pethel, YES; Commissioner Bond, YES; Commissioner Scogin, YES; Commissioner Youngblood, YES. The motion was approved five (5) YES votes to zero (0) NO votes.

Item No. 19. Review April 6, 2009 agenda.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked Acting County Clerk to review the agenda items for April 6, 2009. Review was completed.

Item No. 20. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked for statements and remarks from the citizens. There were none.

Item No. 21. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

Chairman Dove announced the agenda item and asked if there was a need to go into executive session a second time. There were none.

Item No. 22. Adjourn.

Chairman Dove asked for motion to adjourn. Commissioner Pethel made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Scogin seconded the motion. All in favor say aye. All ayes, the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.