

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
NOVEMBER 2, 2015  
6:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove  
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas  
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt Bond  
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis  
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

District 4 Commissioner John Pethel, Sr.

**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 for a moment of silence and asked Wayne Douglas to give the invocation. Chairman Dove asked that the health issues of Commissioner Pethel and Rhonda's father be remembered.

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

**Minutes of Agenda Setting Meeting of October 26, 2015. Minutes have been distributed.**

Commissioner Bettis pointed out a grammar error.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board approved the minutes of the October 26, 2015 Agenda Setting Meeting with a capitalization edit in item nine. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis 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 state law now requires a fingerprint record along with the Criminal History Investigation for employees of the Senior Center. The expense is \$55.00 per employee which will require a \$330.00 Senior Center Budget Amendment.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to have a budget amendment of \$330.00 for the Senior Center with the amount to be taken from cash reserves. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove advised the Board that the roof at the Jail has had several repairs and new leaks continue to occur. Chairman Dove recognized Sheriff Thomas. Sheriff Thomas told of the many leaks throughout the jail and in his office. The Board agreed to go out for bid for a new roof.

Chairman Dove recognized Sheriff Thomas and asked him to discuss the agreement that he is considering for one of his employees to be on a GBI Drug Task Force for this region. County Attorney Mike Pruett had reviewed the agreement and had questions regarding insurance coverage. He stated that he would like to see the Sheriff's employee listed as an additional insured on the Certificate of Insurance.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve contingent upon County Attorney being satisfied with the agreement. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis and Escoe voted YES.

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

1. Herman and Patsy Hubbard are requesting to rezone their 3.22 acre property from A2 to R1 to subdivide for a home site for his sister. The property is located on Map 44 Parcel 71 at 764 Jones Matthews Road in District 5.

Chairman Douglas stated that the applicant did not appear at the Planning and Zoning meeting and was, therefore, considered a denial of the request.

2. Angela and Randy Colquitt are requesting to rezone their 2 acres of RR property to B. This will bring their plumbing business into compliance. The property is located on Map 30 Parcel 62-02 in District 3.

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

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to come forward to speak in favor of the request. The applicants, Angela and Randy Colquitt, 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 Bettis and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the request. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 5. Statements 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.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item No. 6. Discuss 2016 LMIG requests.**

Chairman Dove stated that Oglethorpe County Chairman Billy Pittard has been very satisfied with the working relationship with Madison County in paving projects. This is an option that will continue to be available. Chairman Dove asked the Board to review the numbers that were distributed showing the amount spent in each district during the last three years for LMIG and major road projects. Commissioners Bettis, Escoe and Bond stated that they would like more time to provide their requests and would like to consider this at the November 30, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Thomas stated that his 2016 LMIG requests are Frank Bird Road and Sunray Hatchery Road.

**Item No. 7. Roads Update**

Chairman Dove stated that roads are under water due to the bad weather and he will be going out with Alan after the meeting to check for road closings. He stated that Roy Woods Road was under water at 2:00 this afternoon and had to be closed.

Commissioner Thomas requested that Oak Circle be looked at for drainage problems.  
Commissioner Bond requested that the exit ramp at the Transfer Station be worked on.  
Commissioner Bettis inquired about South Creek Road.  
Commissioner Escoe inquired about adopting private roads.

**Item No. 8. Urgent Matters**

There were no urgent matters.

**Item No. 9. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.**

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

**Item No. 10. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed)**

There was no need for executive session.

**Item No. 11. Adjourn**

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:11 pm.