

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
JUNE 6, 2016  
6:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove  
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas  
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond  
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis  
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 Pruet, County Attorney

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led in the pledge to the American Flag. There was a moment of silence for thoughts and prayers for the health issues of Maudell Johnson and Eddie Hill and also for the soldiers and all those who lost their lives in the Texas floods.

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

**Minutes of Agenda Setting Meeting of May 23, 2016. Minutes have been distributed.**

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2016 Agenda Setting Meeting. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES. Commissioner Bond abstained.

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

Present sign for Jack Darrell Fortson Road  
This agenda item was postponed

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

Chairman Dove provided a proposed schedule for 2017 budget sessions. He encouraged the candidates to also attend the budget sessions.

Chairman Dove stated that the Collins Volunteer Fire Department is requesting \$15,544.50 from SPLOST to pay an invoice for equipment. This will bring their total received to less than 60% of the estimated six year amount.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve payment of the \$15,544.50 invoice out of SPLOST. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Chairman Dove presented the application of Erin Gray and recognized Code Enforcement Director Jack Huff. Director Huff advised the Board that Beth Harmon has accepted a position in the Magistrate Judge's Office. He recommended Ms. Gray to fill the Animal Control position based on her experience and interview discussions.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to hire Erin Gray to fill the Animal Control position. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Director Huff discussed his plans to retire in October and suggested that it is time to start seeking someone to fill his position in order to have time to receive applications, conduct interviews, recommend to the Board and then hire and start training by the first of September. The Board agreed.

Chairman Dove stated that David Morgan in our Building and Grounds department is retiring in August and that it is time to advertise for his position. The Board agreed.

Chairman Dove stated that two requests for occupancy of the building on Spring Lake Drive have been submitted. The building will be vacant as of July 1, 2016.

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

1. Joe Goodman is representing Joe Alewine in requesting a rezone on 13.66 acres from B to R1 for Phase 2 of Bryce Landing Subdivision. The property is located on Map 31B Parcel 88 on Highway 29 S in District 3.
2. Joe Goodman is representing Joe Alewine in requesting a rezone on 9.2 acres from B to R. for Phase 2 of Bryce Landing Subdivision. The property is located on Map 31B Parcel 89 on Highway 29 S in District 3.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone requests and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board combined the first and second requests and voted five (5) to zero (0) to approve both.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the requests. Mr. Goodman with Reliant Homes spoke in favor of the requests.

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

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the requests. No one came forward.

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

3. Kim Collins is representing her father Johnny Doster. He is requesting to rezone his 2.68 acre Parcel from RR to R1 to subdivide the 2 homes on the property. The property is located on Map 45 Parcel 86 on Jack Sharp Road in District 5.
4. Kim Collins is requesting to rezone .26 acres of her 2.26 acre property from RR to R1 to combine with her father's property. The property is located on Map 45 Parcel 85 on Jack Sharp Road in District 5.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone requests and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board combined the third and fourth requests and voted five (5) to zero (0) to approve both.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the requests. Ms. Collins spoke in favor of the requests.

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

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the requests. No one came forward.

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

5. Trey Silver is representing First Citizens Bank. They would like to rezone 3.5 acres of this 8.85 acre parcel from A1 to RR to combine with the adjoining parcel. The property is located on Map 71 Parcel 45 in District 5.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone request and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted five (5) to zero (0) to approve.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the request. Mr. Silver spoke in favor of the request.

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

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

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

6. Doug Miller is requesting to rezone a 2 acre parcel for a home site and 2 acres with an existing

home from A2 to RR from his 10.34 acre parcel on Map 67 Parcel 27 located on Racetrack Road in District 2.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone request and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted five (5) to zero (0) to approve.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the request. Mr. Miller spoke in favor of the request.

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

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

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

7. Doug Miller is requesting to rezone 2 acres from his 6.25 acre parcel from A2 to RR. The property is located on Map 67 Parcel 25 on Racetrack Road in District 2.

Chairman Douglas explained the rezone request and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board voted five (5) to zero (0) to approve.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the request. Mr. Miller spoke in favor of the request.

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

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

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas the Board voted to approve the rezone request. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel 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. Consider Madison County Health Department's 2017 budget request. (Dr. Burnett)**

Chairman Dove recognized Madison County Health Department Manager Ashleigh Grizzle. Ms. Grizzle addressed the Board regarding the Madison County Health Department's FY 2017 budget request of \$158,732.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to approve the \$158,732 FY 2017 budget request. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 7. Consider Madison County Department of Family & Children Services' 2017 budget request. (Kristy Daniels)** This item was postponed.

**Item No. 8. Consider application for annexation into the City of Danielsville. (Chairman Dove)**

Chairman Dove presented the application for annexation of the Madison County Sports Complex located at 600 Madison Street into the City of Danielsville. The annexation of this property is a combined city and county effort to align the tax maps used by the Tax Assessor's office. The Board had no objections.

**Item No. 9. Consider bids for 911 office carpet. (Alan Lapczynski)**

Director Camp addressed the Board regarding the one bid that was received from Arnold's Abbey Carpet & Floors in the amount of \$6,550 without LVT sound control and \$8,550 with LVT sound control. He explained the advantages of the installation of LVT in the call center.

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to accept the bid of \$8,550 with LVT sound control from Arnold's Abbey Carpet & Floors and for payment to be made from SPLOST. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 10. Consider bids for courtroom carpet. (Alan Lapczynski)**

Mr. Lapczynski advised the Board that the one bid received was from Arnold's Abbey Carpet & Floors in the amount of \$22,700.

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to accept the bid of \$22,700 from Arnold's Abbey Carpet & Floors. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 11. Consider bids for old gym roof. (Alan Lapczynski)**

Mr. Lapczynski advised the Board that the one bid received was from Christian Roofing and Remodeling in the amount of \$46,204.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Bond the Board voted to accept the bid of \$46,204 from Christian Roofing and Remodeling. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

**Item No. 12. Consider bids for road projects. (Alan Lapczynski)**

Mr. Lapczynski discussed the following bid information for the 2017 LMIG road projects:

Beck Road

Garrett Paving Co. \$194,515  
Pittman Construction Co. \$238,725

Buford Carey Road

Garrett Paving Co. \$199,746  
Pittman Construction Co. \$324,985

Davids Home Church Road

Garrett Paving Co. \$425,883 asphalt  
Pittman Construction \$819,750 asphalt  
Stratton & Sons \$450,435 asphalt  
Stratton & Sons \$383,850 triple surface

Jones Chapel Shiloh Road

Garrett Paving Co. \$351,781.25  
Pittman Construction \$470,481.75

Kingston Green Subdivision

Garrett Paving Co. \$ 30,560 without side roads  
Garrett Paving Co. \$ 77,990 with side roads  
Pittman Construction \$ 66,025 without side roads  
Pittman Construction \$119,350 with side roads

Commissioner Bettis made a motion to hold off on discussing the road bids until the amount of the 2017 LMIG funding is known.

Blake Haagen with Garrett Paving requested permission to speak to the Board. Mr. Haagen explained the advantages of asphalt over triple surface treatment.

There was discussion about the minimum 2017 LMIG funding that will likely be available and selecting projects that will not exceed that amount.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board voted to accept the low asphalt bid for Davids Home Church Road and the low bid for Kingston Green Subdivision with side roads and the low bid for Buford Carey Road. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Bettis, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Commissioner Bettis withdrew her motion.

**Item No. 13. Roads Update**

Commissioner Pethel requested the status of repairs on New Town Church Road.  
Commissioner Escoe requested repairs to be made on Smithonia Road.

**Item No. 14. Urgent Matters**

There were no urgent matters.

**Item No. 15. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.**

Juvenile Court Judge Warren Caswell addressed the Board regarding the need for office space.

**Item No. 16. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation  
(if needed)**

There was no need for executive session.

**Item No. 17. Adjourn**

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:00 pm.