

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2015
8:45 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 2 Commissioner Dewitt Bond
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 Pruett, County Attorney

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 8:50 am.

Item No. 1. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on an agenda item.

Chairman Dove asked if anyone would like to speak regarding the agenda item.

Item No. 2. Consider selling blighted properties. (Lamar Dalton)

Tax Commissioner Lamar Dalton addressed the Board regarding 22 blighted properties, some going back to the 1990's, that are still on the tax books and need to be sold. He described the conditions of the properties, such as condemned homes that need to be removed and parcels that are landlocked. He told the Board that he would like to sell them at auction for the full value and any properties that are not sold, be auctioned again that same day for the original tax amount due plus collection costs.

On motion by Commissioner Escoe and second by Commissioner Pethel the Board agreed with Mr. Dalton's proposal to auction the 22 properties. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Thomas, Bond, Pethel and Escoe voted YES.

Item No. 3. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on any matter.

There were no statements and remarks.

Item No. 4. Adjourn

On motion by Commissioner Thomas and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:10 am.