

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
DECEMBER 6, 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 Wayne Douglas, Planning & Zoning, gave the invocation.

Commissioner Scogin requested Chairman Dove to allow him to break the sequence of the meeting in order for him to address Chairman Douglas. Chairman Dove gave his permission.

Commissioner Scogin addressed Chairman Douglas regarding his term as District 5 Commissioner ending at the end of the year. Commissioner Scogin will be replaced by Jim Escoe, Sr.

Commissioner Scogin thanked Chairman Douglas for his guidance and advice during his tenure as District 5 Commissioner. There were kind words and appreciation expressed by both regarding their working relationship during the years.

Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of November 1, 2010 and Agenda Setting Meeting of November 29, 2010.

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

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

Commissioner Bruce Scogin

Commissioner Scogin requested and received permission from Chairman Dove to speak at the end of the meeting.

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

Chairman Dove reported that the Eggs and Issues Breakfast will be Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:30 am at the Ila restaurant. Any Board member who would like to attend needs to contact Marvin White.

SPLOST was about even or up a little compared to last year. SPLOST and LOST are holding ground at this time.

Chairman Dove gave a report on the Food Bank and the number served. There were 118 homes, 307 people, 51 children and 33 over the age of 65.

Chairman Dove presented the Board with a completed list of Beer & Wine applications for 2011. They were:

Adams Clover Farm	Food Mart	Paoli Junction
Apex Express	Golden Pantry #37	Poca Grocery
Boutier Winery	Ingles Markets #450	Quick Pick
CVS Pharmacy #7782	Jai's Country Corner	Strickland's Food Center
Country Superette	Kwik Chek	Tiny Town Minit Mart
Diamond Hill Grocery	Neese Grocery	

All paperwork and requirements have been met by the above applicants. Chairman Dove asked for a motion to approve the Beer & Wine license for the above.

On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the 2011 Beer & Wine license for the above applicants.

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

1. Jerry Cronic is requesting to rezone 8.12 ac. from A2 to RR to subdivide into 3 lots. The property is located on Miller McElreath Rd. on Map 52 Parcel 5 in District 4.

Chairman Douglas presented the rezone to the Board and stated that Planning & Zoning voted 5 to 0 to approve.

The applicant, Jerry Cronic, spoke in favor of the rezone stating he was just trying to make a living. No one spoke against the rezone.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Scogin, the Board unanimously approved the rezone.

2. Wayne and Lydia Chandler are requesting to rezone 1.5 ac. from their 4.35 ac. parcel from A2 to R1 to subdivide a rental mobile home from the property for the conservation program. The remaining property will be combined with adjoining property. The property is located on Eugene Hardman Rd. on Map 39 Parcel 22, Lot 19-A in District 4.

Chairman Douglas stated that this rezone and the following one was considered in one vote since both are basically doing the same thing. Also, they were amended from A2 to RR and 2 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres.

3. Wayne and Lydia Chandler are requesting to rezone 1.5 ac. from their 5.49 ac. parcel from A2 to R1 to subdivide a rental mobile home from the property for the conservation program. The remaining property will be combined with adjoining property. The property is located on Eugene Hardman Rd. on Map 39 Parcel 23, Lot 20-A in District 4.

Chairman Douglas presented the above two rezones and stated that Planning and Zoning approved both items by a vote of 5 to 0. Again, the Chandler's two requests were amended from A2 to RR and 2 acres in lieu of 1.5 acres.

The applicants were present, however, no one spoke in favor nor did anyone speak in opposition of the rezone.

On motion by Commissioner Scogin and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved the two rezones from A2 to RR for 2 acres.

4. Tyler Phillips is requesting to rezone approximately .87 acres of 13.4 acres from A2 to B2 for the family business of silk screening to relocate. The property is located on Map 40 Parcel 36, located on Hwy 98 W and Brewer Phillips Rd. in District 4.

Chairman Douglas informed the Board that Mr. Phillips had requested a postponement of his rezone request and this item would be heard at a later date.

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

There were no statements or remarks.

Item No. 6. Consent Agenda:

There were no items for the consent agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item No. 7. Consider subdivision roads to be accepted into the county network. (Linda Fortson)

Ms. Fortson had previously given the Board a list of subdivision roads to be adopted into the county network. Mike Pruett, County Attorney, stated that he feels confident to accept these roads into the county network.

Commissioner Thomas asked how much would the county be committing to this besides on the road? Chairman Dove stated that it would be just the roads and not the yards. The county would maintain the right of way. Commissioner Youngblood asked if it would apply only within the right of way. Mike Pruett, County Attorney, stated that the county has an obligation to maintain the road for safety only and not for subdivision purposes.

Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to accept the subdivision roads into the county network and then withdrew his motion with no objection from the Board.

Commissioner Youngblood made a motion to accept the subdivision roads into the county network adding that only necessary work be performed for safety reasons such as stop signs, etc. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved to accept the subdivision roads into the county network and only to perform necessary work for safety reasons such as stop signs, etc.

Item No. 8. Consider 2011 BOC meeting/holiday calendar. (Donna Sisk)

Chairman Dove stated the Board had previously been given the 2011 BOC meeting/holiday calendar for their review and asked if they had any questions. No member had any questions or concerns.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the 2011 BOC meeting/holiday calendar.

Item No. 9. Consider bids for scales at the Transfer Station. (Sandra Webb and Alan Lapczynski)

Chairman Dove stated after discussion with Ms. Webb and Mr. Lapczynski regarding the scale bids, they need to withdraw the RFP and resubmit a new RFP to include the purchase of the old scales.

Chairman Dove stated that the Board needs to reject the RFP offers and approve a new RFP to include the purchase of the old scale.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved to reject the RFP offers.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Pethel, the Board unanimously approved a new RFP to include the purchase of the old scales.

Item No. 10. Consider striping of roads to go out for bids. (Chairman Dove)

The Board had previously submitted roads in their districts that were in need of striping and number of miles for each road.

On motion by Commissioner Youngblood and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the striping of roads to go out for bids.

Item No. 11. Consider speed limit sign for Lake Deerfield Rd. (Commissioner Bond)

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Youngblood, the Board unanimously approved a 30 mph speed limit sign on Lake Deerfield Rd.

Item No. 12. Consider 30 mph speed limit sign for Branch Rd. (Commissioner Pethel)

Commissioner Pethel requested a speed limit of 30 mph for Branch Road in District 2.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved a 30 mph speed limit sign for Branch Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item No. 13. Consider 2010 Christmas holiday pay. (Commissioner Youngblood)

Chairman Dove recognized Commissioner Youngblood who presented to the Board to restore eight (8) hours Christmas holiday pay to the employees. He stated that these hours would not be an increase or bonus but to restore the hours that the employees so generously gave up and believes the county has the funds to do so. He would like to give back what the Board took from the employees. Commissioner Youngblood stated that the Board appreciates what the employees did when they stepped up to the plate which is a good thing and if we have the funds we should give it back to them. Commissioner Thomas concurred with Commissioner Youngblood.

Commissioner Scogin stated that the he would like to hear from Chairman Dove if the county has the funds to cover the cost.

Chairman Dove stated that funds were available per Kathy Clark, Finance Director, to restore the holiday pay.

On motion by Commissioner Bond and second by Commissioner Thomas, the Board unanimously approved to restore full Christmas holiday pay which is an additional eight (8) hours for the two (2) holidays.

Item No. 14. Roads Update.

Chairman Dove took requests from the Board for maintenance of roads in their districts.

Commissioner Pethel requested a speed limit sign on East Jones Chapel Road.

Item No. 15. Urgent Matters.

There were no urgent matters.

Item No. 16. Statements and Remarks from Citizens.

Chairman Dove recognized Commissioner Scogin to address the Board.

Commissioner Scogin had very kind and complimentary words for Chairman Dove and each Board member. He recalled how each Board member assisted him in order to work through issues presented to them. Commissioner Scogin reminded the Board of how well they have worked together during the last two (2) years and gave credit to Chairman Dove for bringing the Board together in order to work in the best interest of the citizens. He thanked Mike Pruett, County Attorney, for his wisdom and guidance during some difficult times.

Commissioner Pethel stated that it had been an honor and pleasure to serve with Commissioner Scogin during the years. Commissioner Youngblood stated that he had served with Commissioner Scogin for ten (10) years and he has always been a positive influence and dedicated Commissioner. Commissioner Thomas and Bond both had positive comments for his tenure on the Board.

Chairman Dove and County Attorney, Mike Pruett, chose to reserve their comments privately with Commissioner Scogin.

Item No. 17. Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, personnel matters and/or potential litigation (if needed).

There was no need for executive session.

Item No. 18. Adjourn.

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Bond, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

