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COMMISSION MEETING

April 1, 2014
9:00 AM

The Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session at 9:00 AM on April 1, 2014 at their office in the Courthouse. The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Dennis Holder, Commissioner C.L. Brooks, Commissioner James Hagins, Commissioner J.M. Howell and Commissioner John Williams.

The following staff was present: County Manager David Franks, County Attorney DuBose Porter and Sr. Account Tech I Deborah Osborne.

Invocation

Chairman Holder asked Commissioner Hagins to lead the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Holder led the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes

Chairman Holder asked if there were any revisions to the minutes of the March 18, 2014 Commission Meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Hagins to accept the minutes as noted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

Visitors Present

Beth Langford, Mark DuPree, Jonathan Jackson, Marty Dominy, Peggy Bentz, Lugan Bentley and JoAnn Pentecost.

Recognition of Visitors

A: Peggy Bentz with the American Red Cross informed the Commissioners as of now there are no Red Cross stations or volunteers in the Wilkinson County Area. The closest

one would be in Dublin. The American Red Cross is usually the first to respond during a disaster. Ms. Bentz would like for the Commissioners to consider setting up a station so residences of Wilkinson County would have a place to go to get help after a disaster.

B: Beth Langford with Paws and Claws brought a poster in to show the Commissioners some of the animals that they have helped. She explained to the Commissioners how expensive it is to not only care for these animals but for them to be placed in various shelters for adoption. Motion was made by Commissioner Howell to provide Paws and Claws with an additional \$4,000.00 motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

C: Lugan Bentley informed the Commissioners of the condition of Wriley Road. With the large trucks traveling the road with heavy loads the patching done by the County is wasted money. The trucks tear up the road faster than the County can keep it patched. Mr. Bentley was informed by the Commissioners that Wriley Road is due an upgrade in the near future.

Old Business:

A: Retirement Gifts for employees – The County Attorney explained to the Commissioners that they would have to set a policy treating everyone the same. He also advised the Commissioners that tax monies should not be used for the purchase of these items.

New Business:

A: Resurfacing Bid – On March 26th, 2014 the County received 3 resurfacing bids. Low Bid was Reeves Construction Company. Commissioner Williams recommended that the county proceed with the low bid. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brooks. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

B: Budget Amendment: County Manager David Franks suggested a budget amendment be done to bring the county's budget in line and balance some of the line items. Motion was made by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Hagins to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

C: Resolution for Wilkinson County Warriors Basketball Team – the Warriors Basketball team once again are the State Champions. Motion was made by Commissioner Williams to present them with a resolution honoring their accomplishment motion was seconded by Commissioner Howell. Commissioner Brooks voted yes,

Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

County Managers Report:

A: Letter from Andrew Johnson with CMS giving the County an estimate for the repair to Wriley Road. It will cost an estimated 1.2 Million dollars as the road's condition in places is severely deteriorated. This cost will include 4 miles of roadway.

Visitors Comments:

Jonathan Jackson with the DAWC invited the Commissioners to a dinner with Fall Line Development Authority

Adjourn - **Motion** by Commissioner Brooks to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hagins. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Holder voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

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