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COMMISSION MEETING
DECEMBER 6, 2016
9:00 AM

The Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session at 9:00 AM on December 6, 2016 at their office in the Courthouse. The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Mark DuPree, Commissioner C.L. Brooks District I, Commissioner James Hagins District 2, Commissioner Howell District 3 and Commissioner John Williams District 4.

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

Invocation

Chairman DuPree asked Mr. Powell to lead the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman DuPree asked Commissioner Howell to lead the pledge.

Minutes

Chairman DuPree asked if there were any revisions to the minutes of the November 15, 2016 Commission Meeting and November 15th 2016 Work Session. Motion was made by Commissioner Williams to accept the minutes as noted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Howell. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Chairman DePree voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

Visitors Present

Tracy Strange, Bob Powell

Recognition of Visitors

Old Business:

New Business:

A: Bob Powell has requested to address the Board

Mr. Powell purchased a tract of land in 2015. He thought the property owner had payed the taxes. The taxes ere not paid and he is asking that the interest and penalties be waived as he did not receive a bill.

Mr. Powell explained that he thought the prior owner had paid the taxes for the 2015 tax bill as he had not received a bill from the county. Tax Commissioner Vanessa Fountain also told the Commissioners that for whatever reasons her office did not mail Mr. Powell a bill and according to a new Code 4833 because he had not received the bill the interest and penalties could be waived. The County Attorney will research the Code 4833 and the Commissioners will make a decision at a later date.

B: Tracy Strange

Ms. Strange would like to give the poll workers / elections workers an appreciation dinner at the Senior Center and is requesting that the rental fee for the Senior Center be waived. Motion was made by Commissioner Hagins and seconded by Commissioner Brooks to waive the fee. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Chairman DuPree voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

C: 2017 Holiday Schedule

County Manager David Franks presented the 2017 Holiday schedule for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Hagins to accept the Holiday Schedule for 2017 and seconded by Commissioner Howell. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Chairman DuPree voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

D: Health Department appointment

Kay Harris has informed me that Dr. Garner has asked that he not be reappointed. Ms. Harris has suggested Sandra Azimi be appointed as his replacement. Ms. Azimi is a retire Public Health Nurse. Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Hagins to appoint Ms. Azimi. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Chairman DuPree voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

E: Middle Georgia Regional Commission appointment

We have been notified that appointees have to live in the county that they represent. Jonathan Jackson no longer lives in the County.

County Managers Report:

1. Crack seal machine – has been picked up and in the process of getting some of our worst roads done. At present Wriley Road, MLK, Liberty Church, Old Toombsboro, Turkey Creek, Kaolin, Dennard Hardy and Balls Church Road are on the list.
2. Christmas Parades – we are signed up for the Gordon Christmas Parade December 10th and Irwinton parade December 17th.

F: Executive Session

Motion was made by Commissioner Brooks to enter Executive Session to interview County Manager applicants seconded by Commissioner Howell. Commissioner Brooks voted yes, Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Commissioner Howell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Chairman DuPree voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

Motion was made to end Executive Session by Commissioner Williams, no action was taken at this time.

Visitors Comments

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

Notice to Visitors

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