

# Board of Commissioners Wilkinson County

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COMMISSION MEETING  
October 17, 2017  
5:00 PM

The Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session at 5:00 PM on October 17, 2017 at the Commission Chambers in the Courthouse. The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Mark DuPree; Commissioner C.L. Brooks; Commissioner James Hagins; Commissioner J.M. Howell; and Commissioner John Williams.

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

## Invocation

Chairman DuPree asked Commissioner James Hagins to lead the invocation.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman DuPree asked Commissioner J.M. Howell to lead the pledge.

## Agenda

Chairman DuPree asked for a motion to approve the Commission Agenda. Moved by Commissioner Howell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

## Minutes

Chairman DuPree asked if there were any revisions to the minutes of the October 3, 2017 Commission Meeting Regular Session and Called Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2017. Moved by Commissioner Howell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the minutes as noted for the Regular Session and Called Meeting. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

### Visitors Present

Debbie DuPree, Mr. Cobb, Ulysses Wilson, Marcellas Williams, Gloria Starley and Marlene Tompkins

### Recognition of Visitors

Chairman DuPree recognized Marcellas Williams with the Middle Georgia Regional Commission. Mr. Williams explained to the Commissioners that all the cities have approved the resolution for the Comprehensive Plan and asked that the Chairman be allowed to execute the agreement. He also explained that they would be asking for a four (4) month extension on the Service Delivery Agreement because there is a disagreement between the Cities of Irwinton and McIntyre with some water issues. Moved by Commissioner Hagins and seconded by Commissioner Brooks to allow the Chairman to sign the resolution. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Howell to accept the four (4) month extension. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

Chairman DuPree recognized Mrs. Gloria Starley. Mrs. Starley wanted to know why the Transit Busses did not go out of the County when so many people needed a ride to their jobs since there are very few jobs in Wilkinson County. What were people supposed to do? Chairman DuPree explained that they had made the decision not to allow the Transit Busses out of the county as it would not be cost effective.

### Old Business

None

### Executive Session-Real Estate

Moved by Commissioner CL Brooks and seconded by Commissioner JM Howell to enter into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

### New Business

- a. **Motion to adopt a Resolution for the FY2018 Budget which includes the operational and Capital Improvements Budget.**

Moved by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Williams to

adopt the budget. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

County Managers Report:

1. **EMA & Fire Departments**
  - a. Having fire extinguishers tested. Will contact some fire fighters about doing training for fire drills and the use of fire extinguishers.
  - b. Jeff and I talked to a lady from FEMA about debris collection.
  - c. Ambulance is scheduled to be repaired by the end of the month.
  
2. **GDOT Projects**
  - a. LMIG funds are on the way.
  - b. Received called from Ivey about why truckers were being ticketed.
  - c. Made presentation at the TSPLOST Executive Committee Roundtable at the Middle Georgia Regional Commission.
  - d. Transit Grant is underway; I will need to work on and submit to GDOT by December.
  - e. Reviewed Wriley Road for final payment.
  
3. **Worker's Compensation**
  - a. Completed WC audit; the County will need to implement several personnel amendments.
  - b. Completed and submitted WC Safety Plan.
  
4. **Budget**-Held public hearing #3 for potential millage increase and held public hearing on budget all on Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Completed the budget.
  
5. **Balls Ferry State Park**
  - a. Requested Jeff to repair the doors of the bathrooms.
  - b. Met with Tommy Turk of DNR about moving forward with the installation of a sign. (DNR is asking for financial assistance to erect the sign.)
  - c. Remove some of the trees blocking the location of a potential sign.
  - d. Will place dirt to level an area to place the sign
  
6. **Middle Georgia Regional Commission Annual Meeting**-Attended the Annual Meeting on Thursday, October 12 @ Lake Tobesofkee.

Visitor's Comments

Marlene Tompkins stated that she had called the Commissioners office to ask when the next Commission meeting was and was told it was today at 5 PM. She then asked the Commissioners when the mill rate was set, and if the meeting had been posted. Ms. Tompkins was told that the mill rate had been set at the of October 9<sup>th</sup> 2017 Called

Meeting and that the notice had been posted on the courthouse doors.

Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brooks voted yes; Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman DuPree voted yes; Commissioner Howell voted yes; and Commissioner Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

Notice to Visitors

The Board of Commissioners welcomes you to our meeting. We ask that you do not talk during the meeting to allow us to hear all discussion between Commissioners. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please contact the Board of Commissioners Office at 946-2236 no later than the Thursday prior to meeting.