The Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session at 9:00 A.M. on December 3, 2019 at the Commission Chambers in the Courthouse. The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Michael Gotell, Commissioner James Hagins, Commissioner John Williams and Commissioner Pete Williams.

Commissioner Kester absent due to illness.

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

Invocation

Chairman Gotell asked Commissioner Pete Williams, District-3 to lead the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Gotell asked Commissioner John Williams, District-4 to lead the pledge.

Agenda

Chairman Gotell entertained a motion to approve the Agenda. Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Pete Williams to approve the Agenda for December 3, 2019. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

Minutes

Chairman Gotell entertained a motion to approve the Regular Session Minutes of the November 19, 2019. Moved by Commissioner Hagins and seconded by Commissioner Pete Williams to approve the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.
Visitors’ Present

Catherine Dean US Census, Willie C. Cobb, Donna Asbell, Beverly Clark, Marissa Jackson MGRC

Recognition of Visitors / Presentations

Catherine Dean with the US Census Recruiting program spoke to the Board of Commissioners regarding the recruiting and training of citizens for the upcoming 2020 Census. These positions will be a paid $14.50 per hour and the schedules would be flexible. Training will be December 10th at the Wilkinson County Library. Ms. Dean encouraged the Commissioners to promote the census to all citizens the importance of being counted.

Old Business

None

New Business

a. Motion to approve the use of the use of the Wilkinson Count Parking lot for participants in the City of Irwinton Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 21, 2019. Moved by Commissioner John Williams and seconded by Commissioner Pete Williams. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

b. Motion to transfer tax lien of the following:
   • Transfer George Knight Estate to Johnny Williams. Moved by Commissioner Hagins and seconded by Commissioner J. Williams to transfer lien. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.
   • Transfer Mamie Jones Estate for the appropriate party. Moved by Commissioner P. Williams and seconded by Commissioner Hagins to transfer lien to appropriate party. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.
   • Transfer Reeves Fordham lien to Reginald Fordham. Moved by Commissioner Hagins and seconded by Commissioner J. Williams to transfer lien. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

c. Motion to proceed forward on all the other tracts reflected in the Sheriff Tax Deeds with foreclosure and redemption of liens. Moved by Commissioner J.
Williams and seconded by Commissioner Hagins to transfer the 50 tracts held by the County at the appropriate time. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

d. **Motion to approve a Resolution of the Wilkinson County Board of Commissioners Pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 Authorizing Adoption of the Wilkinson County Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan 2019 Update.** Moved by Commissioner J. Williams and seconded by Commissioner Hagins to approve the Resolution adopting the Disaster Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Hagins voted yes; Chairman Gotell voted yes; Commissioner Williams voted yes; and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried; there were none opposed.

**Chairman’s Report:**

1. Update on Recreation Department.
2. State of the County Address
3. Reconvene conversation with the Wilkinson County Board of Education about the Calhoun Center.

**County Managers Report:**

1. **Public Safety-EMA, Fire Departments, Ambulance**
   a. Received report from GEMA.
   b. Completed GEMA Mutual Aid Agreement

2. **GDOT Projects**
   a. Continue to working on the County’s 2021 Transit Application.
   b. Compiling documents to close out FY2019 LMIG. Contractor has been paid.
   c. Jeff is in the process of contacting contractors for the County bridge projects.
   d. Spoke to Judy Gulley concerning Drug Testing for Road Dept. & Transit.

3. **Budget & Finance**
   a. Got safety documents out to County staff to review.
   c. Met with Accountants from Dana Deemer to discuss assisting the County will closing out the fiscal year and doing other tasks.
   d. Made contact with US IRS on payroll penalties.

4. **Courthouse Updates**
   a. Set up meeting with agenda for Commissioner’s Training on Tuesday, December 3rd @ 10:00a.m.

5. **Updates & Reminders**
a. None

Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Pete Williams and seconded by Commissioner John Williams to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hagins voted yes, Chairman Gotell voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes and Commissioner Pete Williams voted yes. Motion carried there were none opposed.

Notice to Visitors

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