

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON APRIL 3, 2018 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Lanier Keene	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Vice Chairman
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Pastor Joey Boney, Siloam Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

The prior month's minutes from the March 6, 2018 regular monthly meeting were approved as presented with a motion from Commissioner Clay Reid. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Department Head reports were as follows:

Sheriff Robert Rodgers stated everything is going good. He has a female deputy in the Police Academy and they have just held a graduation for the CHAMPS program.

Road Superintendent Adam Dowdy informed the Commission that the current motor grader lease will expire in July. We have to decide whether to buy the machine or turn it back in and enter into a new lease.

Coroner Janice Brown stated there have been a couple of cremations the County has had to pay for. She and her two Deputy Coroners will be attending training in Jekyll Island soon.

EMA Director Larry Brown stated there will be EMAG training this month. He presented a breakdown of fire calls from 2017 from the Abbeville Fire Department.

County Extension Agent Andrew Sawyer gave an update on activities of 4H and Ag. He is busy with watermelons, corn, pecans and beans.

Probate Judge Shawn Rhodes had provided figures to the County Manager on the proposed collection of old traffic fines. These were presented.

The first item of new business was a proposal by Joey Boney, Pastor of Siloam Baptist Church, for a National Day of Prayer ceremony for May 3, 2018. He requested this be held on the Courthouse lawn. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to adopt a resolution declaring May 3, 2018 as the National Day of Prayer. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

A proposal has been obtained by Spotless Cleaning to clean and wax all marble in the Courthouse. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to table a decision. Commissioner Clay Reid seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Susan Arnette, RMS, was present to discuss a transit vehicle preventive maintenance policy. She explained this is a requirement of GDOT for the transit program. This would pertain only to 5311 vehicles. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to adopt the policy. Commissioner Alfonzo Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Two rental agreements have been prepared for space at the Wilcox County Community Service Center for the Head Start Program and the Community Services Program. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to approve both agreements. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The 2018-2019 Superior Court Judges Budget request was presented. The budget request was for \$56,544 which is the same as last year. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to approve the budget. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The final item on the agenda was a proposal from Flint Equipment on a new motor grader lease. Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to table the proposal until a workshop meeting could be held. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no items of old business.

Commissioner comments were as follows:

Commissioner Clay Reid addressed Courthouse security. County Manager Paula Ball stated she had been contacted by Judge Bobby Chasteen. His concern is Court security. He recommended some type of metal detector. Manager Ball presented prices of hand held as well as walk through devices. Sheriff Robert Rodgers stated he had purchased one handheld device and one used handheld device.

Commissioner Clay Reid suggested the Commissioners look at 911 house #s in Rebecca and Turner County. They are very nice and very noticeable.

Commissioner Lanier Keene stated how pleased he is with the new sign shop and the work performed by Dor'ree Henderson. He suggested the Commissioners go by there. The new office is very impressive.

County Manager Paula Ball presented the award of two Recreation grants. One is the Atlanta Falcons equipment grant. The Recreation Department will receive \$7,000 worth of new equipment. The second is a \$2,000 donation from Irwin EMC to help with the drainage of the fields. She complemented Recreation Director Michael Pomirko on seeking these grants.

A workshop meeting was set for April 17, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Road Department equipment request.

There being no further business, Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Alfonzo Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.



Lanier Keene, Chairman



Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk