

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Lanier Keene	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Vice Chairman
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Mel Powell	Commissioner
Paula J. Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Clay Reid gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to approve the prior month's minutes from the following meetings:

- October 8, 2019 Workshop
- October 8, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting
- October 11, 2019 Special Call Meeting
- October 11, 2019 Workshop Meeting
- October 14, 2019 Workshop Meeting
- October 22, 2019 Special Call Meeting

Commissioner Mel Powell seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no guests with public comments.

Department Head reports/requests were as follows:

Sheriff Robert Rodgers stated he had none.

EMA/Fire Coordinator Larry Brown stated everything was moving forward with the fire departments.

The first item of new business was the adoption of resolution organizing the Wilcox County Complete County Census Committee. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Budget amendments were presented for July 2019 to August 2019. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to approve the amendments. Commissioner Mel Powell seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The idea of adopting an ordinance concerning baggy pants was discussed. County Attorney Toni Sawyer stated other governments had adopted ordinances for this problem. The most important thing was the ordinance could not target any particular age group, etc. There has to be no discrimination and it would have to be enforced uniformly. The ordinance would only cover the unincorporated areas of the county. Since the problem is more often in the cities, the idea of the ordinance was dismissed.

The only item of old business was the closure of Taylorwood Lane. One of the landowners had requested this road be closed at the September meeting because of underground water lines. No decision was made.

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to enter into executive session for personnel. Commissioner Mel Powell seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to come out of executive session and reconvene. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Chairman Lanier Keene stated there was no action taken in executive session.

Commissioner comments were as follows:

Commissioner Clay Reid asked about Courthouse security.

County Manager Paula Ball stated Chief Superior Court Judge Robert Chasteen had asked about the possibility of getting a key fob system for the Courthouse. He is going to contact the person who installed the system in the other Courthouses in our district to contact Manager Ball and get a quote. She stated she assured him the Commissioners would go along with it if it was within reason of our budget.

Chairman Lanier Keene presented a bid that had been received from Walker Steel Buildings to close in a couple of bays at the Ag Center for other usage. He stated he was going to try to get more bids. The Commission could then decide if this was a project they wished to undertake.

County Attorney Toni Sawyer stated she attended a meeting a while back concerning the vehicle given to the City of Rochelle for their Senior Citizens program. She has not received any information about an attorney that had been contacted about the situation. She was unable to locate an attorney by the name given but she found one with a similar name. She sent him an email but has not received a response.

The County Managers report was as follows:

After recent discussions with Wilcox County School Superintendent Julie Childers she was informed the school system is going to pursue a grant to expand the FFA program which includes a livestock holding and showing area. So we might want to wait on any work at the Ag Center.

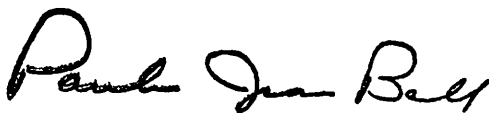
County Attorney Toni Sawyer stated the Ag Center in Ben Hill County is not county owned nor is the Ag Center in Irwin County. They are governed by the respective Board of Educations.

County Manager Paula Ball stated she has been asked to make the Commission aware of the expiration of Jan Moore's term on the Wilcox County Board of Assessors in April 2020. This is the year when the revaluations will take place so it will be a busy year.

There being no further business, Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.



Lanier Keene, Chairman



Paula J. Ball, County Manager/Clerk