

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jones County Government Center
Charlotte C. Wilson Conference Room
Third Tuesday Meeting 6:00 PM
September 15, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Members present representing a quorum of the board was:

Preston Hawkins-Chairman
Larry Childs - Vice-Chairman
Tommy Robinson - District Three Commissioner
Bert Liston- District Four Commissioner

County Attorney Frank Childs was present. Comm. Gault was not present due to illness. Comm. Larry Childs arrived at the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Chairman Hawkins exercises his voting rights in the case of a tie or to constitute a quorum. Attachments to the minutes are filed separately from the minutes in clasp envelopes labeled by meeting in the commissioner vault.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Amend agenda:

1. OB # 1 - Comm. Robinson asked to move item under Commissioner Committee Reports.
NB # 2 – Don Graham, EMA Director, requested to add approval of going out for bid on paving the parking lot at Fire Station # 1 on Highway 49.
2. NB # 3- Don Graham, EMA Director, requested to add declaration of equipment as surplus and approve to dispose of equipment.
3. NB # 1 – Comm. Childs requested moving NB # 1 to Executive Session – Personnel.

Motion: Motion by Liston, second by Robinson: to accept agenda with amendments.

Vote: Adopted unanimously (Hawkins, Liston, Robinson)

Comm. Childs arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Invocation: Pastor Steve Johnson, Bradley Baptist Church

Pledge: Pastor Steve Johnson, Bradley Baptist Church

Steve Johnson was unable to attend the meeting. Richard Bobo, Worship Leader at Bradley Baptist gave the invocation and led the pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Minutes: First Tuesday Meeting September 1, 2009

Motion: Motion by Liston, second by Robinson: to approve the minutes.

Vote: Approved unanimously (Childs, Liston, Robinson)

VISITORS:

1. Darrell Earwood and Tommy Pruitt – fund raiser for the fire department. Visitors requested the use of the Highway 49 recreation complex for a tournament to benefit fire station one on Highway 49.
Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Robinson: to approve without a fee.
Vote: Approved unanimously.
2. Valvin Hambrick – Presentation of plaque to the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Jones County Youth Track & Field to recognize the Board's support of the program and request to display the plaque at the Government Center.
Chairman Hawkins accepted the plaque on behalf of the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Amend the Commissioner Committee by-laws – Comm. Childs
Postponed until later in the meeting.
2. Request to bid out asphalt and paving the parking lot of fire station number 1 on Highway 49. The county will do the basing.
Motion: Chairman Hawkins called for a motion. Comm. Liston so moved, seconded by Robinson.
Vote: Approved unanimously.
3. Request to declare equipment on EMA handout as surplus and allow for the disposal by auction or sealed bid. Other county equipment will be included as appropriate.
Motion: Motion by Robinson, second by Childs: to claim county property as excess equipment and to authorize Don Graham to handle in the appropriate way.
Vote: Approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Second reading of amendment to the Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance.
Action: County Administrator Michael D. Underwood read the amendment aloud.
2. Adoption of amendment to the Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance
Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Liston to adopt.
Vote: Adopted unanimously.
3. Lightning prediction systems – Comm. Robinson
Moved to Commissioner Committee Reports.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Recreation Committee: Comm. Liston as the committee chairman discussed information with the Board concerning the lightning prediction and warning system.

Motion: Motion by Robinson, second by Childs to: buy two systems, one for the Central Complex and one for the South Complex.

Vote: Approved by Childs, Hawkins, Robinson
Opposed: Liston

Water Committee: Comm. Childs as the committee chairman discussed water projects with the Board.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Robinson to: move forward with running waterlines from Lite-N-Tie Road to Creekside and from Creekside to RL Wheeler Road.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

1. Laten Boniol, Director of Public Works, addressed the Board.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Liston: Comm. Liston spoke to Laten Boniol and expressed his appreciation to all of the fire department at District One (on Highway 49).

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Liston to adjourn and go into executive session for personnel.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened after executive session at 7:05 p.m.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Liston to open into regular session.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Comm. Childs opened with brief discussion.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Robinson to: Move the part time position for Brandi Watkins to a full time to assist there in the clerk's duties in the water department and that we hire somebody part time for Saturdays and Sundays or whenever Freddie Wiggins needs them to monitor the lift stations.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Comm. Childs discussed Commissioner Committees.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Liston to: have Leila Brittain to be the secretary of each commissioner committee.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Comm. Childs discussed Liberty Park and gave the Board flyers to review and to provide feedback for any changes needed.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Motion: Motion by Liston, second by Childs to adjourn.

Vote: Approved unanimously.