

## **Call Meeting**

April 18, 2008

The Jones County Board of Commissioners met Friday, April 18, 2008 at 11:00 am at the Jones County Government Center. Members present were:

Preston Hawkins-Chairman  
David C. Gault – Vice Chairman  
Larry Childs- District I Commissioner  
Mell Merritt-District III Commissioner

Frank Childs, County Attorney was not present. Comm. Liston was not present. Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order 11:09 at am

Michael D. Underwood, County Administrator, requested to amend the agenda to add a contract with the Jones County American Little League. Freddie Wiggins, Water Superintendent, requested to amend the agenda to add the water wells in Haddock. Consensus of the Board was to amend the agenda as noted.

The Board discussed the award of the bid for chip seal of various roads. Michael D. Underwood said he received one bid from Epps Brothers for an estimated \$1.20 per square yard; prices will change with additional patching and extra lifts. Comm. Childs made a motion to award the bid for chip seal to Epps Brothers for the charges as submitted. Comm. Merritt seconded the motion. Vote – 3-0

Comm. Childs discussed the bids submitted for playground equipment for the new park on Upper River Road. The bids received were not according specifications. Comm. Childs expressed his concerns with the safety of some of the additional playground equipment that had not been included in the specifications. Comm. Childs had spoken to Frank Childs and confirmed the ability to back out options included in bids or buy individual pieces as desired. Comm. Childs made a motion to reject the bids and piece meal the equipment not to exceed \$40,000. Comm. Gault seconded the motion. Vote 3-0. See attachments for specifications.

Michael D. Underwood discussed the proposed contract with the Jones County American Little League Board of Directors. The Jones County Little League has requested to be sanctioned by the Little League Association. To establish this, Jones County Little League will have to obtain an insurance policy. The only way the

county's insurance would name them as a party on the insurance policy was for Jones County to obtain a contract with the Jones County American Little League. Comm. Gault made a motion to approve the contract between Jones County and the Jones County American Little League. Comm. Merritt seconded the motion. Vote 3-0. See attachments for specifications.

Freddie Wiggins, Water Superintendent, discussed the Haddock water table level dropping. Mr. Wiggins said Greene's Water Wells, Incorporated inspected the Haddock well on April 17, 2008, and provided a service history on the well; the results of a short pumping test indicates that the well yield is declining. Mr. Wiggins expressed his concerns that summer is approaching and recommended the Board take action now. Comm. Gault made a motion to have Greene's Water Wells, Incorporated to pull the pump and see if the screen is blocked and video the well and give a sounding on the depth of the well and for the county to begin exploring new well sites. Comm. Merritt seconded the motion. Vote 3-0. See attachments for specifications.

Consensus of the Board was for Michael D. Underwood to contact the owner of the cannery and see if they will sell the wells at the cannery to the county.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Comm. Childs made a motion to adjourn; Comm. Gault seconded. Vote – unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 11:32 am.

**APPROVED**

Jones County Board of Commissioners

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Preston Hawkins, Chairman

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David C. Gault, Vice-Chairman, District 2

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Larry Childs, District 1 Commissioner

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Mell Merritt, District 3 Commissioner

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Leila Brittain, Clerk of the Board