

**MINUTES OF THE CALL MEETING OF THE
JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

March 23, 2010
4:00 PM

The Jones County Board of Commissioners held a Call Meeting at 4:00 p.m. March 23, 2010 in the Charlotte C. Wilson Conference Room at the Jones County Government Center.

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 not present.

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. An audio copy of the meeting is kept on file in the County Clerk's office.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The following non-agenda items were added:

1. NB 2 – Jones Crossing Phase Four – Tim Pitrowski
2. Commissioner Comments – Commissioner Childs
3. NB 3 – Septic Pumper Truck – Freddie Wiggins

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Robinson to approve the agenda with amendments.

Vote: Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval to advertise for bids for materials to lay waterlines in the Creekside Plantation area. Commissioner Childs began discussion with the funding of materials for the Creekside Plantation project. SPLOST funds had not been earmarked for this project. Mike

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Underwood, County Administrator read two costs estimates that had been received from engineer, Tim Ingram. The information received from Mr. Ingram October 2009 was a lower amount and the information used for the following motion:

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Robinson that we take \$500,000 of the 2009 SPLOST as earmarked for water and sewer and advertise for bids for the materials that our engineer has recommended for that and plus 1,000 feet of six (inch pipe).

Vote: Unanimously approved.

2. Jones Crossing Phase Four. Tim Pitrowski, Director of Planning and Zoning, has received calls about potholes in this subdivision for about four years. There are additional road failures that have started. The developer is Wendell Parker. The Board discussed available options.

Motion: Motion by Liston, second by Childs for the county to accept the roads of Jones Crossing Phase Four as Tim Pitrowski was telling us and do road repairs at the same time as we do Hampton Lakes.

Vote: Unanimously approved.

3. Septic Pumper Truck – Freddie Wiggins, Water Superintendent, went to McDonough (today) to see a used truck for sale. He said the truck was in good condition. It's a 1992 model with about 220,000 miles.

Consensus of the Board: Consensus of the Board was to authorize Mr. Wiggins to offer \$12,500 for the truck with a ceiling of \$15,000 and the pressure washer is an item that is negotiable.

Mr. Underwood, County Administrator, discussed a special account set up at the water department that contains funds that were set aside for water line extension funded monthly with fifty cents from every water bill. There is approximately \$31,000 in the account. He recommended using these funds to purchase the truck.

Motion: Motion by Childs, second by Liston that if we purchase this truck, the funds will come out of that special account.

Vote: Unanimously approved.

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Mr. Wiggins left the meeting and called to make an offer. He returned to the meeting with a counter offer. Freddie called the gentleman back and offered \$14,000 with a check to be delivered the following day, March 24, 2010 and the county will receive a clear title when the check is delivered. This offer was accepted.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: (Action items only)

Commissioner Childs: Comm. Childs discussed the need of commissioners in surrounding counties to meet to discuss various issues such as economic development and water issues. He pointed out that the county has water line at the Twiggs county line and if they are in need of additional water, the county could sell to them.

CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD: Consensus of the Board was for the county to host the first meeting and contact all surrounding counties to schedule the first meeting in September or October with the meeting to be held at the Jonesco Clubhouse about 7 p.m. The County Clerk, Leila Brittain, will contact the surrounding counties and organize the meeting.

Commissioner Childs also discussed the rental of county facilities and the deposits that are received. The county deposits the funds and then cuts a check to return the deposit when everything is left clean. He asked if the deposit could be held in an envelope and then returned to them when they return the key to save some time and money.

Consensus of the Board: Consensus of the Board was for Mr. Underwood to look further into the issue and to discuss it again later.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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

Vote: Unanimously approved.

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MINUTES APPROVED

Jones County Board of Commissioners:

Preston Hawkins, Chairman

David C. Gault, District 2 Commissioner

Tommy Robinson, District 3 Commissioner

Bert Liston, District 4 Commissioner

Leila Brittain, Clerk of the Board