

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON JANUARY 7, 2014 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
David Brown	Vice Chairman
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Tracy Tyndal	Commissioner
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Jowan Johnson gave the invocation.

Everyone said the Pledge of Allegiance.

The prior month's minutes from December 3, 2013 workshop and the December 3, 2013 regular monthly meeting were presented for approval. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

There were no guests with public comments.

Annual Appointments

Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to appoint Lanier Keene as Chairman. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to appoint David Brown as Vice Chairman. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner David Brown made a motion to appoint Toni Sawyer as County Attorney. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the appointment.

Commissioner Tracy Tyndal stated that Ms. Cheri Nichols had submitted her application for the position of County Attorney. He made a motion to appoint Cheri Nichols as County Attorney. Commissioner David Brown seconded the appointment.

Chairman Lanier Keene called for a vote that went as follows:

Those casting votes for Cheri Nichols were commissioners Tracy Tyndal, David Brown and Jowan Johnson. Commissioners Lanier Keene and Huck Greene did not cast a vote.

Chairman Lanier Keene stated our County Attorney was Ms. Cheri Nichols.

Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to appoint Paula Jones Ball as County Manager/Clerk. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner Tracy Tyndal made a motion to appoint the Cordele Dispatch as Legal Organ for the county. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner Tracy Tyndal made a motion to appoint Meeks CPA as County Auditors. Commissioner David Brown seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner David Brown made a motion to name Wilcox County State Bank as the financial institution for the County. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion. The County Manager noted that any time we take bids on loans; we ask all local banks to bid. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Ms. Sara Davis and Mr. Phil Davis, with Associates in Local Government Assistance, were present to discuss problems that we are experiencing with our 2012 CDBG grant. We are running behind in the right of way acquisition so Wilcox County will not be able to apply for a grant in 2014.

Appointments to the Heart of Georgia Regional Commission were the next item on the agenda. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to appoint David Brown to one position. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner David Brown made a motion to appoint Michael Estes as the city member on the board. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

It was noted that 2014 is the Centennial Anniversary for the Association County Commissioners of Georgia. A resolution was presented recognizing the anniversary. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner David Brown seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Old Business

There is still a vacancy on the MHADDD Board due to the resignation of Lucas Allison. There being no nominees, the vacancy will be tabled until the February meeting.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Jowan Johnson stated the celebration for Mr. Tommy Scott went as scheduled even though Mr. Scott was in the hospital. He presented the resolution from Wilcox County.

Commissioner David Brown congratulated Ms. Cheri Nichols on becoming our new County Attorney. He also informed the board that a vacancy will be forthcoming on the WIB board.

Commissioner Tracy Tyndal welcomes Ms. Nichols.

County Manager Comments

County Manager Paula Jones Ball stated there will be a meeting with Crisp Regional on January 15, 2014 at Crisp Regional to discuss the ambulance service. All Commissioners are invited to attend.

Chairman Lanier Keene presented the State of the County with highlights from 2013.

There being no further business, Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

_____ Lanier Keene, Chairman

_____ Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk