

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON JULY 1, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE 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
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Vice Chairman David Brown called the meeting to order with Chairman Lanier Keene running a bit behind time.

Commissioner Huck Greene gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

The prior month's minutes from the June 3, 2014 workshop and June 3, 2014 regular monthly meeting were approved as presented by a motion from Commissioner Jowan Johnson. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

There was two department heads present with requests. Sheriff Mike Martin presented the need for a new copier for the Sheriff Department. The County Manager had obtained bids as follows:

GDP Capital	
Xerox 7225	\$114.88 per month for 60 months with a \$ buyout
Ashley's Office Solutions	
Canon C225	\$107 per month for 60 months with a \$ buyout
GDP Capital	
Xerox 7835	\$150 per month for 60 months with a \$ buyout
Ashley's Office Solutions	
Canon C5235A	\$144 per month for 60 months with a \$ buyout

Chairman Lanier Keene made a motion to go with the lowest quote from Ashley's Office Solutions. It was noted the maintenance was cheaper with Ashley's also which will give additional savings. Vice Chairman David Brown seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Road Superintendent Adam Dowdy presented two requests.

The first request was to resurface bad areas on Thompson Road and Gordon Road. Bids were obtained as follows:

Mann & Company Paving	\$19,800.00
Owens & Son Paving	\$26,708.26

Vice Chairman David Brown made a motion to go with the low bid from Mann & Company. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion. This work will be paid from tsplst funds. The motion carried unanimously.

The second request was for a ditching bucket. Two bids were obtained as follows:

The Ironpeddlers	\$2,755
Yancey Brothers	\$5,400

Chairman Lanier Keene made a motion to go with the low bid from The Ironpeddlers and to pay for the purchase out of splost funds. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Adam Dowdy and Paula Jones Ball discussed the status on our 2014 LMIG project on Cannonville Road, our CDBG project and our 2015 LMIG application for Harvey Road.

The first item of new business was a request from Tim Eidson, Public Defender, for the county to help fund another attorney for the Public Defender's Office. This request had been denied earlier. Mr. Eidson stated he had already addressed the other three counties in the circuit to pled his request. He gave statistics of the case load they handle. The County Manager was asked to discuss this with the Sheriff and County Attorney and see if they thought it would be of benefit.

The second item of new business was the Tax Assessors Office. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal had requested this item be on the agenda but he had a conflict in scheduling. County Manager Paula Jones Ball stated she had something to discuss while we were on this topic. Tax Commissioner Bobby Gibbs and the County Manager had worked to arrive at some estimated figures on the tax digest for 2014. She explained that right now it looks like we can leave the mil rate at 18.25 and collect approximately \$32,735 more revenue. She explained there was a large decrease in motor vehicle value because of the new TAVT tax. If someone buys a new vehicle and trades the old one in, it comes off the digest.

However, the TAVT tax does not show up on the digest so when someone buys a new vehicle and they pay the tax, it will be additional revenue for the county.

The only item of old business was an appointment to the MHADDD board. It was noted that Sandy Tack has volunteered for the position. Chairman Lanier Keene made a motion to appoint Sandy Tack. Commissioner Jowan Johnson seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Commissioner comments were heard as follows:

Commissioner Huck Greene thanked Adam Dowdy for his hard work and dedication.

County Manager comments were presented as follows:

The Courthouse will have to close early for the air infiltration testing approved at the June meeting. This will be done on July 3, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. The Courthouse will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

There was lightening damage at the Courthouse on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk of Court lost her copier. Apparently the county has been using the same person for copiers for many years. He has just been replacing the copiers every five years with no bid process. Three bids were obtained on the copier for the Clerk and we were able to save \$1,500. This will help offset the deductible on the claim.

The 2015 proposed budget will be presented at the August meeting. This will give the months of August and September for budget meetings and the approval process.

Steve Gautney, Crisp Regional CEO, has requested to meet with the Commissioners again. Please let me know if you wish to do so. We received 10 applications for EMS Director. Everyone has been given the applications in your meeting books. The interview process will begin next week. If a couple of Commissioners want to sit in on the interviews, please volunteer.

I would like to receive directive on the solid waste contract for 2015. Please be thinking about this.

Darren Parker with American Fidelity is coming Monday to meet with employees about their personal insurance policies.

I would like for us to begin thinking about standard 911 markers for our county.

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

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David Brown, Vice Chairman

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Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk