

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON FEBRUARY 2, 2016 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	Vice Chairman
David Brown	Commissioner
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Tracy Tyndal	Commissioner
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Vice Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Tracy Tyndal gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the January 5, 2016 regular monthly meeting, January 19, 2016 special call meeting and the January 25, 2016 special call meeting were presented. Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner David Brown seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

No guests had requested to address the Commission.

Department Head reports were as follows:

EMA Director Larry Brown stated, with the rising river levels, there had been a recent rescue for someone in the river. He requested the county consider buying a boat for this purpose.

The first item of new business was an appointment to the Wilcox County Health Board. Currently Mr. Tommie Scott has been serving in this capacity as the "Advocate for the Needy, Underprivileged and Elderly" appointment. Commissioner David Brown made a motion to appoint Mr. Scott to another term. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The second item on the agenda was the GDOT Capital Contract for the Transit Program. County Manager Ball stated Donna Stinson from the Tifton GDOT office had sent an email requesting this be on the agenda. However, the documents have not been received so we will place it on the March agenda.

The ACCG has implemented a new program which is free of charge to all counties participating in the ACCG liability insurance program. This would allow counties to contact ACCG attorneys with the program and ask personnel questions. Any department can ask a question but it must be submitted by a single county contact person. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal made a motion to appoint Paula Jones Ball as the Wilcox County liaison for the program. Commissioner David Brown seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The final item of business was the presentation of the Waterwell Trust Program. This program would provide low interest long term loans to landowners who need to dig new wells. This is an independent program which the home owner would apply for directly. Brochures will be placed at the Commission Office.

There were no items of old business.

Commissioner comments were as follows:

Commissioner Lanier Keene stated the Hollingsworth family wished to thank the road department for work done on Mistletoe Road during their recent death in the family. The road was almost impassible and he did not know how Adam Dowdy and the road crew did it but they improved the road greatly.

There were no other Commissioners comments and no County Manager's comments.

Joseph Marion asked to address the Commissioners with concerns. He presented problems he has experienced with law enforcement and the District Attorney. Commissioner Huck Greene stated if this is possible litigation, the Commission does not need to comment. Commissioner Lanier Keene stated the Sheriff is a constitutional officer and the only control the Commission has over his office is budget related. Commissioner Tracy Tyndal suggested Mr. Marion contact the Attorney General. Vice Chairman Keene suggested if Mr. Marion wishes to address the Commission, he should call ahead of time and ask to be placed on the agenda with public comments.

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

Lanier Keene, Vice Chairman

Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk