

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON NOVEMBER 1, 2016 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Lanier Keene	Vice Chairman
David Brown	Commissioner
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Vice Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Huck Greene gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

The prior month's minutes from the October 4, 2016 regular monthly meeting, October 11, 2016 workshop meeting and the October 11, 2016 special call meeting were approved as presented with a motion from Commissioner Huck Greene and second from Commissioner David Brown. The decision carried unanimously.

There were no guests on the agenda for public comments. However, Ms. Patsy Bowen was recognized. Ms. Bowen informed the Commissioners that Governor Nathan Deal had adopted a proclamation declaring November 6, 2016 as Retired Educators Day. She asked that the Chairman sign the proclamation from Wilcox County. Commissioner David Brown made a motion to allow the Vice Chairman to sign the proclamation. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Mr. Ed Helms was present to request the one acre of land that he had deeded to the county for the use of the Cedar Creek Fire Station be deeded back to him. Commissioner David Brown made a motion to send the request to the County Attorney asking her to prepare the paperwork for a long term lease for the fire department with the one acre being deeded back to Mr. Helms. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Department head reports were as follows:

Charles Futch, EMS Director, presented a chart on revenues. He stated the EMS had received 8 trauma triage bags worth over \$300 each through a Georgia EMS grant.

He added the call volume at this time was 33 more calls than 2015 and 112 more calls than 2014.

Hopefully the nursing home in Abbeville is about to reopen increasing revenue.

The newly purchased ambulance is outside for everyone to view.

Mr. Futch stated he wanted to correct information being given about a recent call to K.W.'s Fastop in Abbeville. It is being told on the street that response time was 28 minutes. He presented a copy of the trip report which showed the actual response time was only 13 minutes. Also, the crew was returning from a call and was on the west side of Rochelle when they received the call so they made 13 miles in 13 minutes.

Commissioner Lanier Keene stated most times there is an explanation if we will take time to get it. He stated he had an Owensboro resident bragging on the EMS so there is good things being said about the EMS.

The first item on the agenda was the 2018 GDOT Transit Application. RMS has requested we place this on the agenda but the contract has not been received so it will be placed on the December agenda.

The next item on the agenda was an Error and Omissions tax bill correction on R. W. Griffin, Inc. and Cargill Incorporated. The loss of revenue on R. W. Griffin is \$82,034.80 and on Cargill the amount is \$4,847.11. This is a loss to the County and School totaling \$86,881.91. Commissioner David Brown made a motion to accept the correction. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

A change of the December meeting date was requested by the County Manager. She asked to change to the following week due to a conflict. Commissioner David Brown made a motion to change the date to December 13, 2016. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The final item of business was a copy of the ambulance lease documents that have been sent to ACCG for reimbursement of the ambulance and entering into a five year lease. Right now this does not require a vote. When the documents are received they will be placed on a future agenda.

Commissioner Comments were as follows:

Commissioner Lanier Keene stated work has begun on Mount Olive Road. They are about to set the pipe but with the drought they are going to need several tank loads of water. He has given permission for the County to get the water from his irrigation well at his house so if anyone sees them on his property, this is what they are doing.

The County Manager's report was as follows:

I have contacted the Health Department about a list of possible uses of the Will Duncan Trust. I was later contacted by Mr. Davis, Regional Public Health Coordinator. I had County Attorney Toni Sawyer contact Mr. Davis directly so they could discuss the situation without me being in the middle.

Last month, I informed the Commissioners that the County and School lost \$21,421 on public utilities due to the sales ratio being below 38%. The E and O tonight on R. W. Griffin will mean a loss of \$44,886 to the County, \$40,582 to the School and \$37,165 to the City of Rochelle. I am getting nervous about revenues this year. We will need to watch our budget very closely. With new people going into key positions, it brings a lot of uncertainty.

We have had several workshop meeting on the 2018 splost. I have completed a list of projects to the best of my ability. Please review and let me know if we need to meet again prior to the adoption at the December meeting.

I have received a signed contract with Trish Ely at Elections in which we entered into an agreement to fund a consultant position through November 30, 2016. The budget covers this agreement.

We have discussed the recent visit from Risk Management at previous meetings. I am providing a complete list of sightings that he has given us.

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

_____ Lanier Keene, Vice Chairman

_____ Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk