

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2017 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
Clay Reid	Vice Chairman
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Alfonza Hall	Commissioner
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Paula Jones Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Jowan Johnson gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item of business was the approval of August minutes as follows:

August 1, 2017 Regular Monthly Meeting
August 8, 2017 Special Call Meeting
August 22, 2017 Workshop Meeting
August 23, 2017 Special Call Meeting

Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no guests with public comments.

Department Head Reports/Requests were as follows:

Our new Recreation Director Michael Pomirko was introduced. He gave a brief overview of the Recreation Department and what he planned to do. Commissioner Clay Reid discussed the roof & vinyl siding damage from the tornado. We are still trying to obtain bids on the work.

EMA Director Larry Brown stated he wanted to remind everyone if they opened a shelter for Hurricane Irma relief it would have to be Red Cross approved or you would have to assume all liability.

Sheriff Robert Rodgers presented his August report.

The first item of new business was the acceptance of the University of Georgia's recommendation of Andrew Sawyer as County Extension Director. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to appoint Andrew Sawyer County Extension Director effective October 1, 2017. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The next item of business was the presentation of the 2018 budget in the amount of \$4,531,400.00. County Manager Paula Ball stated this Commission body has put more work in this budget than any other in the last six years. She further explained to make the budget balance; she had to reduce General Government. In the past we have budgeted \$150,000.00 for contingencies and \$150,000.00 for increase the fund balance. This had to be reduced in order to make expenditures balance with revenues. There is a decrease to the tax digest this year decreasing tax revenues. She added she will say all year that it is vital for every department to stay within budget this year. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to approve the proposed budget. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no items of old business.

Commissioner Clay Reid addressed the phone situation at the Sheriff's Department. Paula Ball stated the office would report the damage to the insurance company to see if they will approve a new system or only pay on the repair of the old system.

County Manager Paula Ball stated the County has been awarded for the paving and drainage for Falcon Circle.

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

_____ Lanier Keene, Chairman

_____ Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk