

MINUTES

BIBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 20, 2008

The regular meeting of the Bibb County Board of Commissioners was held in the Commission Boardroom on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Chairman Charles W. Bishop, Vice Chairman Bert Bivins, III, Commissioner Joe O. Allen, Commissioner Elmo A. Richardson, Jr. and Commissioner Lonzy Edwards.

Staff present: Steve Layson, Chief Administrative Officer; Virgil Adams, County Attorney; Deborah Martin, Finance Director; Doug Furney, Director of Lake Tobesofkee; Tony Rousey, Director of Information & Technology Services; Ken Sheets, County Engineer; Shelia Thurmond, Clerk of the Board; Janice Ross, Administrative Assistant.

News Media present: Keich Whicker and Jennifer Burk, The Telegraph.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

In the absence of a guest minister, Commissioner Lonzy Edwards rendered the prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Chairman Bishop read a “thank you” card from a citizen who wanted to express her gratitude for the men who are working so hard to clean up as a result of the tornado that occurred in the early morning of Sunday, May 11, 2008 (Mother’s Day).

Chairman Bishop identified the writer as Ms. Kramer and expressed his appreciation for the message.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Richardson and carried, the regular meeting Minutes of May 6, 2008 were approved as written.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Chairman Bishop recognized and welcomed the following visitors:

Hazel Giddens	Johnny Mae Dawkins
Donald Richardson, Jr.	Clifford Johnson
Nettie Thomas	Sherry Price

REFERRALS:

The following item was referred to **Engineering/Public Works Committee:**

1. Authorization for the Chairman to sign Offer Package from the Georgia Department of Transportation to purchase property to build the Sardis Church Road Extension.

The following item was referred to **License and Tax Committee:**

1. Correspondence from Richard Mullis, Mayor of Payne City, requesting the Bibb County Tax Commissioner to collect property taxes and garbage fees for Payne City.

RECORD AND INFORMATION: None.

ACTION:

1. Ratification of the following resolutions of the Board of Commissioners:
 - designating May 16, 2008 as "Retired and Senior Volunteer Day" in Bibb County; and
 - congratulating Fire Chief Marvin Riggins on the occasion of a special recognition service conducted by Pastor David Stanley and the members of Union Missionary Baptist Church.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and seconded by Commissioner Edwards and carried, the before mentioned resolutions were ratified.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – No Report.

ENGINEERING/PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – Committee Chairman Bivins reported the following:

1. The Committee recommends that bids be taken on resurfacing Houston Avenue, from Troup Street to the Broadway/Pio Nono Ave. intersection, with contract award subject to the approval of funding agreements with the Department of Transportation.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

2. The Committee recommends that bids be taken for the installation of four “Macon-Bibb Welcomes You” signs, to be funded through the Macon-Bibb County Road Improvement Program.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

3. The Committee recommends that the petitions to register Dakota Trail, Hawk Court, Osage Court, Natchez Trace and Deer Forest Trail as public roads be approved and that said roads be placed on the Official Road Register for maintenance by County forces.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

4. The Committee recommends that a 4-way Stop be installed at the intersection of Airport Road and Industrial Park Drive, per the recommendation of the Macon-Bibb Traffic Engineer.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

5. The Committee recommends that the request from Darryl & Paula Huff and Lynda Grissom that the County quit claim to them unused right-of-way at the end of South Estates Road be approved and that the County Attorney draw up the necessary quit claim deeds to convey whatever interest the County may have in said right-of-way to the adjacent property owners.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

6. The Committee recommends that the County quit-claim right-of-way acquired at 3611 Brookdale Avenue for Project No. 61G back to the original owner, Mr. Billy Wilson. The Committee further recommends that the quit-claim deed states that Mr. Wilson will be responsible for any trees removed from the property.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

LICENSE & TAX COMMITTEE – No Report.

MACON WATER AUTHORITY – No Report.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT –

LAND BANK AUTHORITY – No Report.

FINANCE, TAX AND REVENUE COMMITTEE – Committee Chairman Richardson reported the following:

1. The Finance Committee recommends approval of a Supplemental Appropriation to the FY 2008 Commissary Fund budget in the amount of \$77,160.00 for air handlers for the jail.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

2. The Finance Committee recommends approval of a Supplemental Appropriation to the FY 2008 Commissary Fund in the amount of \$120,000.00 for inmate medical care.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

3. The Finance Committee recommends approval of a Supplemental Appropriation to the FY 2008 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$83,480.00 for radio tower maintenance. This recommendation is subject to the review of the contract by the County Attorney.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

4. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Correct Health covering Inmate Medical Service for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Terms and conditions of the original contract effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 to remain the same.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

5. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Trinity Services Group, Inc. covering Inmate Food Service for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at a cost of \$0.83 per meal served.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

6. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Allgood Pest Control covering Pest Control Service for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

7. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Command Uniforms covering Work Uniforms for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

8. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Georgia Correctional Industries covering Inmate Uniforms (item #15 through #17) for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices. The Finance Committee further recommends renewing the term contract with Bob Barker Company covering Inmate Uniforms (item #1 through #14) for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

9. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Georgia Correctional Industries covering Laundry Chemicals for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

10. The Finance Committee recommends authorizing the Purchasing Agent to negotiate the vendor's proposed 6% increase on the term contract covering Dishwashing Compounds and report back to the committee with results.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

11. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Uniforms Unlimited covering Battle Dress Uniforms for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the revised unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

12. The Finance Committee recommends renewing the term contract with Uniforms Unlimited covering Law Enforcement Uniforms (Shoes & Accessories) for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the revised unit prices. The Finance Committee further recommends renewing the term contract with Command Uniforms covering Law Enforcement Uniforms (Clothing & Leather) for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the same unit prices.

On motion of Commissioner Richardson and carried, the before mentioned recommendation was approved as presented.

RISK MANAGEMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY – No Report.

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE – No Report.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE – No Report.

HUMAN RESOURCES AND INFORMATION SERVICES COMMITTEE – No Report.

TOBESOFKEE COMMITTEE – No Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – Commissioner Allen announced that Telegraph reporter, Keich Whicker, will no longer be working for The Telegraph as he is leaving Macon and Bibb County to further his studies in Texas. He stated that Keich was a good reporter and that he had always been fair in his reporting. He also stated that he hates to see him go and wishes him well in his studies. Commissioner Edwards echoed Commissioner Allen's comments. And Chairman Bishop stated that they look forward to his replacement, Ms. Jennifer Burk, doing the same kind of job as he did.

Next, Commissioner Edwards stated in view of the discussion this morning about getting things on future agendas that he would like to have the Long-Term Drug Treatment Facility on the next Risk Management Committee Agenda for discussion.

Chairman Bishop stated that the proper procedure was for the item to be referred to the committee at the next regular commission meeting.

A discussion ensued about the Chairman's position on when the matter should get to committee.

Mr. Adams, County Attorney, stated there were three (3) scenarios for getting items on the agenda. They are as follows:

If you want an item on the next Board Agenda for action, it needs to be submitted by Monday. He stated that this was strictly on an "action" item.

Next, Mr. Adams stated any other items which include matters that you don't want an action on at the Board meeting, but if you want an item referred to a committee, that can be done one of two ways: the Chairman can be notified by the next Thursday or Friday. He stated that can be put on as a "referral." He added that there's nothing to prevent a commissioner from saying, "how about putting this on the next committee." He said there was nothing that prevents that.

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Shelia Thurmond, Clerk of the Board