

MACON COUNTY
“COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE”
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, October 16, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor/Chairman Steve Jones, Commissioners Jeff Hughes, Helen Hesson, Benton Bartley, Justin Dyer, Scott Gammons, Charles (Chop) Porter, Troy Brawner, Bobby Ray King, Don Stevens, Phillip Snow, Mike Jenkins, Tony Wix, Chris Wix, Barry King, Wendell Jones, Mchelle Phillips, Kenneth Witte, Kimmy Warf and Shannon Wix

Absent: Todd Gentry

Don Stevens gave the Invocation.

Mike Jenkins led the Pledge.

Motion #1 by Hesson, 2nd by Hughes to approve minutes as presented from the 9/18/17 Legislative Body Meeting, 8/15/17 Planning Commission Meeting, 8/15/17 Planning Commission Meeting Public Hearing, 9/11/17 Solid Waste Meeting and the 9/11/17 Building & Facilities Committee Meeting and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #2 by Hesson, 2nd by Jenkins to approve Budget Amendment #1 Disaster Relief - Willette and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #3 by Gammons, 2nd by Hesson to approve Budget Amendment #2 Sheriff Department and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #4 by B.R. King, 2nd by Stevens to defer Resolutions/Proclamations 10-15/2017 County Buildings Resolution, 10-16/2017 401K Plan Resolution, 10-17/2017 457B Plan Resolution and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #5 by Gammons, 2nd by Warf to allow Road Supervisor, Audie Cook, to install a drainage tile for the Red Boiling Springs Little League (due to the road being washed out when it rains) and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones reported that the Solid Waste fund balance was very low due to building the recycling center. Therefore, the bills were being held. Funds will not be available until property tax money starts coming in. Mayor Jones said that he authorized \$60,000 to be transferred out of the General Fund to the Solid Waste Department so these bills could be paid.

Motion #6 by Witte, 2nd by Warf to accept the resignation from Terry Tuck as a 911 board member and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones informed the commissioners that Attorney Holliman is working on the EMS write-off policy and would bring back to the commissioners for approval.

Mayor Jones said that he would be interviewing the Veteran Service Officer (VSO) applications and would bring back an applicant for the VSO position at the Legislative Body meeting on the 23rd.

Members of the Macon County Arts Council were present to request funding. Arts Council member, Evelyn White gave a report to the commissioners regarding the Arts Council. She reported that the donation helps with activities such as Art in the park, Young Americans, Murals around the square, Symphony concerts in the park as well as other activities.

Motion #7 by B. King, 2nd by Hesson to give the Macon County Arts Council a \$500 donation and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones reported that the T-ball representative was unable to attend the meeting due to sickness.

Motion #8 by Gammons, 2nd by Jenkins to allow the Macon County T-ball representative to come to the next meeting to request funding and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that surrounding counties were using "GovDeals.com" to sell county items. Mayor Jones asked the Commissioners to allow him to set up a GovDeal.com account for Macon County to sell used vehicles and equipment.

Motion #9 by Hesson, 2nd by S. Wix to allow Mayor Jones to set up the GovDeals.com account for the county to sell items and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones ask the Commissioners to allow the Budget Committee to meet with the Building and Facilities Committee to discuss the School Board's request for a new elementary school and additions to other Macon County School buildings. Mayor Jones said the Committee should also be looking at both the School issue as well as the CTAS upcoming report dealing with the overcrowding at the Macon County Jail.

Motion #10 by Witte, 2nd by Hesson to combine the Building & Facilities and Budget Committee meetings to discuss the School Board request and Jail issues and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #11 by Warf, 2nd by Witte to approve the Impact Fees/Codes report and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #12 by Hughes, 2nd by Warf to approve the Animal Control report and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that the Board of Education had requested during the August meeting to give their presentation at the September Court Meeting, instead of at the Committee of the Whole. Discussion ensued regarding motions. Mayor Jones is going to look into the prior motion regarding new business brought up at the Legislative Body Court

meetings and report back. Mayor Jones also stated that Attorney Holliman would speak to this as well as recordings/postings at the next meeting.

Motion #13 by Witte, 2nd by Warf to have Attorney Holliman give a report regarding the motions, recordings and postings at the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #14 by Hesson, 2nd by Hughes to defer the Healthier TN presentations from Carolyn Whitaker to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #15 by Gammons, 2nd by B. King to allow Mayor Jones to bring back the request regarding the expansion of the High Street road and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #16 by Hesson, 2nd by Warf to allow Mayor Jones to replace the countertop in the courtroom and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Commissioner Witte suggested that the Building & Facilities and Budget Committee begin meetings in regards to the Board of Education school request. Mayor Jones informed the commissioners he was wanting to set up meetings in November but wanted to wait until we had some better estimates on the overall cost of everything that the county was needing. Mayor Jones said Jim Hart, with CTAS, is doing a “needs study” now, to let the Commissioners know what was going to be needed at the Jail.

Commissioner Gammons invited everyone to the Chili supper at 5 P.M. and the hayride at 7 P.M. on Saturday, October 21st at the Willette Fire & Rescue Department.

Motion #17 by Witte, 2nd by Warf to adjourn.

Motion Carried