

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MAY 1, 2018
AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE GRAND JURY ROOM OF THE WILCOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Lanier Keene	Chairman
Alfonza Hall	Vice Chairman
Clay Reid	Commissioner
Jowan Johnson	Commissioner
Huck Greene	Commissioner
Paula J. Ball	County Manager/Clerk

Chairman Lanier Keene called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Jowan Johnson gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the April 1, 2018 regular monthly meeting were approved as presented with a motion from Commissioner Clay Reid. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Public comments were as follows:

Ms. Ruby Milling Naylor presented problems with trash being dumped throughout the County. She presented locations of problem areas as well as problems with missing road signs. She showed pictures of garbage bags being tossed on the side of the road.

Department Head reports/requests were as follows:

Janice Brown, Coroner stated she had nothing to report.

Michael Pomirko, Recreation Director, stated he had received a \$1,000 Walmart grant.

Robert Rodgers, Sheriff, stated Cadet Kimberly Lawson is doing well in the Academy. He stated burglaries in the Abbeville area led to the arrest of a guy in Houston County who was wanted in Wilcox, Peach, Twiggs and Houston County. He commended his investigation unit on this arrest.

EMA Director Larry Brown stated everything is good.

The first item of new business was a presentation from Julie Childers, Wilcox County School Superintendent, concerning available space at the old school site. The School Board would have to

retract their original offer of the Middle School. However, they are offering the entire Elementary School. The octagon shape building at the High School will be leased to the Christian Learning Center. They will be keeping the old gym for Middle School basketball. The ROTC building would be available. They cannot declare the buildings surplus for about three months.

She added that Don Wood has offered the cleanup of the pecan orchard at the new school site for a 10 year lease of the trees.

Ms. Childers also stated an LMIG request from the County was approved for \$250,000 to assist with extending the 7th Street to the new school site.

The next item of business was the purchase of a motorgrader from Flint Equipment. The motorgrader has been under lease to the Wilcox County Road Department for the past five year. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to purchase the motorgrader for the balance of \$122,000. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The lease of a Case backhoe was approved by a motion from Commissioner Clay Reid and a second from Commissioner Huck Greene. This lease would be \$14,033 annually for six payments at which time the County would own the machine for a total purchase price of \$85,000. The motion carried unanimously.

A procurement policy for the Transit Program was presented. This policy would only pertain to purchases for the transit system. Commissioner Huck Greene made a motion to adopt the policy. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The final item of business was bids for Mt. Olive Road, Thistle Road and the 2018 LMIG projects. With three bids being received, the apparent low bidder was Everett Dykes Construction. Commissioner Clay Reid made a motion to accept the low bid and discuss quantities to get the overall cost in our budgeted amounts. Commissioner Alfonza Hall seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

There were no items of old business.

Commissioner comments were as follows:

Commissioner Lanier Keene commended Commissioner Clay Reid on his research at the recent County Commission Convention. That conversation saved the county approximately \$42,000.

County Manager's report was as follows:

County Manager Paula Ball presented a proposal from Kenneth Anderson in the amount of \$5,010 to jack the floor of the Commissioner meeting room up and level it with a steel beam, repair plaster crack in Tax Commissioner's Office and paint the office after repair. Commissioner Jowan Johnson made a motion to accept the proposal. Commissioner Huck Greene seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

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

_____ Lanier Keene, Chairman

_____ Paula Jones Ball, County Manager/Clerk