

Jasper County Board of Commissioners Work Session Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2010

4:00pm

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**Commissioners present: Chairman Charles Hill, Vice-Chairman Carl Pennamon
Commissioner Alan Cox, Commissioner Mary Patrick
Commissioner Jack Bernard**

**Staff present: County Manager Dennis Recker, County Attorney James Alexander
Betty Moon**

Minutes prepared by: Betty Moon

Chairman Hill calls the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Patrick to approve the agenda by changing Item # 4 Tax Anticipation Note to Item # 1 and Item # 8 2010 Budget Discussion to Item # 2. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Passed Unanimously.

Tax Anticipation Note: Mr. Recker states the document in your packet shows the Cash Flow Analysis. We will probably need \$1,200,000 according to the Cash Flow Analysis. Discussion-Commissioner Patrick had questions concerning the figures in the Cash Flow Analysis and asked the county manager to check with Sabrina-CPA where these figures came from.

2010 Budget: Commissioner Patrick stated the Recreation Department's expenditures are going against the line item budget. This needs to be corrected. Recreation's donation account is paying their bills. This is showing expenditures are being paid by general fund and that is not correct. Same is true for Animal Control. Commissioner Patrick continued. EMS Director's salary has no money in the budget to cover this. There is money in indigent line item twice of \$33,000. We can move that figure plus the \$19,000 for Prison Detail that we no longer need. That would put \$52,000 in line item salary for EMS Director. Mr. Recker discussed with the commissioner General Ledger Stimmnry, LOST and SPLOST.

2011 Budget Process Schedule: Discussion of when the board could meet with the departments concerning their budget. July 7, 8, 9, was agreed upon

Logging Ordinance: Raymond Rogers present the corrections the board had asked for. Much discussion. Mr. Rogers reviewed each section with the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Pennamon to adjourn and take a 5 minute break before the Called Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Patrick. Passed Unanimously.

Charles Hill, Chairman

Dennis Recker, County Manager

Jasper County Board of Commissioners Called Meeting Minutes
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6:00pm
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Commissioners present: Chairman Charles Hill, Vice-Chairman Carl Pennamon, Commissioner Mary Patrick, Commissioner Jack Bernard, Commissioner Alan Cox

Staff: County Manager Dennis Recker, County Attorney James Alexander, Betty Moon

Minutes prepared by: Betty Moon

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation:

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Pennamon to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Passed Unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Bernard to approve the minutes of Board Work Session, May 17, 2010. Seconded by Commissioner Cox.. Passed Unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Bernard to approve the minutes of Regular Board Meeting, May 17, 2010 by removing on page 3, the last sentence. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Passed Unanimously.

Public Hearing: Logging Ordinance

Raymond Rogers presents the changes requested by the board.

Section 50-62 Article C-Change - up to \$500.00 a day.

Section G- Article F-Who is to be responsible to take pictures-Code Enforcement

Section 50-63-Article E-Said Bond will be subject to provisions of Section 50-65 of this Ordinance

Section 50-66-Load limits on county roads and bridges

Section 50-65-Article B change wording from May to Shall

Section 50-65-Article C-new wording-may cause rutting and or damage to unimproved or improved roadway.

Section 50-67-Article C-PWD make estimate of cost repairs for time, man hours, material and equipment.

Section 50-68-Article C-interest to be billed at 1% of outstanding balance.

On the last page which is Permits-intermediate inspection on logging site, photo's to be taken also
No input from the public-Public Hearing closed on Logging Ordinance.

Public Hearing-Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

Ed Westbrook presented-No public input-Public Hearing Closed

Public Hearing-Special Exception request for Kennel Operation at 605 Loyd Cemetery Road

Raymond Rogers presents application 2010SE-01 for Lisa Kay Reynolds. Planning and Zoning Commission denied this application. Against-Ms. Elsie Banks and Mr. *Randall* Hedwood. Motion by Commissioner Bernard to deny application 2010SE-01 for Lisa Kay Reynolds for a Kennel Operation. Seconded by Commissioner Pennamon. No-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Pennamon, Hill, Cox. Abstain-Commissioner Patrick.

Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance:

Motion by Commissioner Bernard we move forward to the second reading. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Passed Unanimously.

Approve award of contract for deep patching Jackson Lake Road from SR212 to Holman Road.

Mr. Recker presents-Key Curbing & Paving received the low bid and in order to receive the full value of the State's LARP we must deep patch all areas of failed pavement and repair the areas of the road base that have failed before we have the asphalt surface overlaid. Motion by Commissioner Bernard the commission authorize the county manager to contract with the low bidder Key Curbing and Paving, Inc to deep patch 45% of the 1.5 mile project area (Jackson Lake Road) at a total cost of \$151,773.18 to be paid out of SPLOST funds. Seconded by Commissioner Hill for discussion. Commissioners Bernard and Hill agreed to withdraw this motion.

Motion by Commissioner Bernard authorize county manager to contract with low bidder Key Curbing and Paving to deep patch 45% of the 1.5 mile total cost \$151,773.18 to be paid out of General Fund. Commissioner Cox asked that this be added to the motion: that we identify the source of the funds before we proceed. Commissioner Bernard agrees. Seconded by Commissioner Hill. Passed Unanimously.

Request for Impact Fee Disbursement to Library (Book & Collections)

Mr. Recker informs the board of the request from the Library for Impact Fees. The Library has satisfied the requirements for what the Impact Fee can be used for, which is books, Collections, etc. Motion by Commissioner Pennamon to authorize the County Manager to disburse \$11,259.12 of the Impact Fees to the Library. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Passed Unanimously.

Subdivision Text Amendment Private Roads Ordinance (Second Reading)

The county attorney stated no changes have been made, this is ready to be voted on. Motion by Commissioner Bernard to approve the Subdivision Text Amendment Private Roads Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Pennamon. Passed Unanimously.

Siren Grant Bid Award:

Ed Westbrook presented to the board we have a grant for two sirens to be located near the fire station on Alcovy North Drive and one on Jackson Lake Road near intersection of Eagle Drive. Total cost of project is \$46,632.00 with \$23,326.00 coming from FEMA monies and \$11,663.00 from in-kind work/donations. After discussion, Mr. Westbrook is to raise the \$11,663.00 by donations and then come back to the board. Motion by Commissioner Pennamon we table siren bid award until our EMA Director comes back with agreement from private citizens for the matching county portion of the grant. Place on agenda for July 19th. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Passed Unanimously.

Sunday Sale of Beer & Wine (Discussion/Decision as to placing issue for referendum)

Mr. Recker states what we're asking for here is a determination by the board whether you want to authorize the process to place this issue on the ballot in November. After discussion, Motion by Commissioner Bernard to direct the county attorney to proceed to draw up the necessary paper work for a referendum in the General Election in November for Sunday Beer & Wine Sales by the drink. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Yes-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Cox, Pennamon, Hill. Abstained-Commissioner Patrick. Motion Carried. Discussion of a referendum for liquor by the drink. To be placed on the agenda in July.

Appointments:

Jasper County Family & Children Services-(1) appointment-5year term, commencing June 30, 2010 Ending June 30, 2015. Candidates are Mrs. Juanita Thompson and Monica Cochran. Ms. Cochran is not in attendance. Motion by Commissioner Bernard to appoint Mrs. Juanita Thompson to this position. Seconded by Commissioner Pennamon. Passed Unanimously.

Jasper County Library Board-(1) position, 6 year term commencing June 30, 2010 ending June 30, 2016. Candidates-John DeGarmo. Motion by Commissioner Bernard to appoint John DeGarmo to this position. Seconded by Commissioner Pennamon. Passed Unanimously.

Resolution on Fire Protection District:

County Attorney presents this resolution. Motion by Commissioner Pennamon to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Commissioner Cox stated I feel this resolution is illegal and a yes vote on this is not the vote of the people. Commissioner Cox makes amendment to the motion. (1) All fire hydrants along Yancey Road, County Line Road and any adjoining road that are located in Newton County be eliminated. (2) Expiration date of 12/31/2045 be added to this resolution. (3) Also no payment be made in any year until county has received certification that the hydrants have been tested, flushed and found to have a minimum of 45 PSI and that brush has been cleared to make them visible and accessible during the previous 12 month period. Commissioner Cox's amendment is seconded by Commissioner Patrick. Amendment vote is Passed Unanimously. Resolution vote: Yes-Commissioners Pennamon, Bernard, Hill. No-Vote-Commissioners Cox, Patrick. Motion Carried.

County Attorney stated now the board has to set the assessment per parcel basis. After discussion, Motion by Commissioner Bernard to set the assessment per parcel at \$25.40 to generate \$41,900. on 1,650 parcels. Seconded by Commissioner Pennamon. Yes-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Pennamon, Hill. Opposed-Commissioners Cox, Patrick. Motion Carried.

Jasper County Soil Erosion, Sedimentation & Pollution Control Ordinance (First Reading)

Raymond Rogers presents this ordinance. Discussion-Motion by Commissioner Bernard to pass the First Reading of the Jasper County Soil Erosion, Sedimentation & Pollution Control Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Yes-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Cox, Pennamon, Hill. Abstained-Commissioner Patrick. Motion Carried.

Logging Ordinance (First Reading)

Motion by Commissioner Bernard to pass the First Reading of the Logging Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Patrick. Passed Unanimously.

Commissioner Patrick stated we need to know what the disposition is in Magistrate cases, not just on logging violations. Motion by Commissioner Patrick that the county manager and Commissioners be notified of the disposition of Magistrate cases that effect the county concerning violations of the county ordinances so we may appeal. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Passed Unanimously.

2010 Tax Anticipation Note:

Motion by Commissioner Cox for the county manager to investigate terms available and quotes on TAN note. Seconded by Commissioner Bernard. Passed Unanimously.

2011 Budget Process:

Mr. Recker suggested to start the budget process beginning with July 7, 8, 9, budget work session dates. Motion by Commissioner Bernard that the July 7, 8, 9, we begin the budget process with modification made in Work Session Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Passed Unanimously.

County Manager Items:

Personnel Policy review update- Mr. Recker stated work has begun on the Personnel Policy. We worked on re-organization of the current policy and we work on it every Wednesday. I will keep you updated. Motion by Commissioner Bernard suggested re-wording of the personnel policy section that deals with termination and disciplinary action for employees and have it ready by next meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Patrick. Yes-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Patrick, Hill, Cox. Abstained-Commissioner Pennamon. Motion Carried.

Recreation Commission by-laws review update:

Mr. Recker reviews the letter from the City of Monticello with the board concerning the Recreation Commission's role and scope of authority. After discussion, Motion by Commissioner Bernard we ask our legislative group to abolish the Recreation Commission Board. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Yes-Vote-Commissioners Bernard, Cox, Patrick. Abstained-Commissioner Pennamon. Against-Commissioner Hill. Motion Carried.

Mr. Recker is to work on the By-Laws and report back to the board.

Web Site Update:

Mr. Recker stated the web site is up and doing well. Ken Holmes with Selective Solutions asked about working on paying taxes on-line via website. Commissioners agreed.

Outsourcing Public Works feasibility Update:

Mr. Recker stated he will have this under a separate cover letter to the commissioners.

Morgan County Landfill:

Mr. Recker stated Morgan County will hold a hearing on this on June 28, 2010 at 7:00pm. Suggested by BOC to resend original letter expressing Jasper County's opposition.

General Comments:

Gene Welch-The county chairman to be elected at large was taken off the agenda awhile back
I would like to see it back on the agenda. Is there any SPLOST money left to pave roads?
Why can't you as a board work together? If you have the money, pave the roads.

Charles Forsythe-Open records procedures are not being followed.

Skip Nowetner-You eliminated agenda comments and we want it back on the agenda.

**Motion by Commissioner Bernard to go into executive session. Seconded by Commissioner Cox.
Passed Unanimously.**

**Motion by Commissioner Pennamon to come out of executive session. Seconded by Commissioner
Bernard. Passed Unanimously.**

**Chairman Hill announces County Manager Dennis Recker has hired William Brown as the new
Public Works Director.**

**Chairman Hill reads Mr. Recker's resignation letter effective as of August 31, 2010. Motion by
Commissioner Bernard to accept Dennis Recker's resignation. Seconded by Commissioner Cox.
Yes vote—Commissioners Cox, Patrick, Hill and Bernard. No vote—Comm. Pennamon.**

**Motion by Commissioner Bernard to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Passed
Unanimously**

Charles Hill, Chairman

Dennis Recker, County Manager