

**November 19, 2012**  
**SPECIAL MEETING 5:30 P.M.**  
**JONES COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX – COMMISSIONERS’ ROOM**  
**MINUTES**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Zack Koonce, Chairman  
Frank Emory, Vice Chairman  
Mike Haddock, Commissioner  
Joseph F. Wiggins, Commissioner  
Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Commissioner

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Franky J. Howard, Manager  
Jennifer King, Clerk to the Board  
Melissa Moore-Freeman, Finance Officer

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

***Sheriff’s Office Vehicles***

Sheriff Heath, Major Wineman, and Captain Eimer were present to discuss the donated funds that were used to purchase two Ford Expeditions. These vehicles will need to be added to the Jones County insurance policies.

***Sheriff’s Office – Reclassification of Deputy***

There was a brief discussion concerning deputy Leila Groom who has been functioning as an investigator for several months. Ms. Groom is being compensated at the rate of a road deputy, not an investigator due to the fact that the Sheriff’s Office only has two investigator positions. **MOTION** made by Frank Emory, seconded by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, and unanimously carried **THAT** the reclassification of Leila Groom from a deputy (Grade 14, Step 1) to an investigator at a Grade 17, Step 1, be approved effective November 16, 2012.

***911 Project***

Franky Howard presented an update to the board concerning the 911 project.

***Fire Tax***

A discussion was held in regard to an email received about the possibility of a fire tax in Jones County. It was determined that each department would need to request the fire tax to be placed on the ballot as a referendum.

***Maintenance Requests***

A discussion was held concerning the possibility of hiring a part-time employee to handle maintenance requests, as needed. The board was not interested in adding maintenance funds to the budget and therefore this request cannot be fulfilled at this time.

**MOTION** made by Zack Koonce, seconded by Mike Haddock, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Zack Koonce, III  
Chairman

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Jennifer King  
Clerk to the Board