

November 19, 2012 7:00 P.M.

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JONES COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX – COMMISSIONERS’ ROOM

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

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

The Chairman called the meeting to order and gave the invocation. A **MOTION** was made by Frank Emory, seconded by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, and unanimously carried **THAT** the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION made by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Frank Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** the minutes of November 5, 2012, be approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

There were no public comments.

1. INTRODUCTION OF RASBERRY SHACKELFORD & ASSOCIATES

Wayne Vanderford, Tax Collector, introduced Matt Hawk and Jay Shackelford of Shackelford & Associates. We have contracted with them to conduct the revaluation for Jones County. Mr. Vanderford then asked for questions from the board.

Sondra Ipock-Riggs asked what process they go through when they reach a dwelling. Mr. Shackelford explained that they take the tax cards with them and look for structures that aren't listed that are on the property. If they find something not listed, like a building, they will take measurements. Mrs. Ipock-Riggs then asked about the process for farmers. She was told they look for farm buildings that are not listed on the tax cards.

Frank Emory asked if they were on schedule. Mr. Shackelford stated that they are somewhat ahead of schedule at the present time. They are also taking pictures, which hasn't been done in the past.

2. TAX COLLECTIONS REPORT - OCTOBER

Mr. Vanderford presented the October Tax Collections Report showing a total collections of \$1,963,922.66 (34.57%).

3. TEN LARGEST TAXPAYERS

Mr. Vanderford presented Jones County's Ten Largest Taxpayers in 2011.

4. APPROVAL- ADDING TWO VEHICLES TO JONES INSURANCE POLICIES

MOTION made by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Joe Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** two Ford Expeditions for the Sheriff's Department be added to Jones County insurance policies. These vehicles were purchased using donated funds.

5. WRITE-OFF PAST DUE ACCOUNTS

MOTION made by Joe Wiggins, seconded by Frank Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** past due accounts for the Water Department and Finance Department be written off. The total amount between the two departments is \$1,098 and covers accounts closed with the minimum fee still owing from 2000 to 2011.

6. TRENTON LIBRARY – LAND

Mr. Howard presented an email to the board concerning land at the Trenton Library. The library would like to expand and pave the parking lot. There was discussion in the email that the town may be willing to lease the land to the County but not actually deed it to the County. The commissioners requested additional information from the library as to how the parking lot would be funded.

7. BOARD APPOINTMENT – JONES COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

MOTION made by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Joe Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** Shirley Bryan and Sylvia Miller be reappointed to the Library Board for a six-year term to expire December 18, 2018.

8. MARTIN MARIETTA – MINE

Mr. Howard presented a Mine Permit Modification notice to the Board on behalf of Martin Marietta for informational purposes only.

9. BOARD APPOINTMENT – REGIONAL AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MOTION made by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Joe Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** Della Ancrum be reappointed to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee for a three-year term to expire December 1, 2015.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

A brief discussion was held concerning the CDBG SS project. **MOTION** made by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, seconded by Joe Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** a public hearing be set for December 3, 2012, for the CDBG SS project.

MOTION made by Joe Wiggins, seconded by Sondra Ipock-Riggs, and unanimously carried **THAT** a letter requesting contingency funds for Margie Peyton be approved.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Norman Casper stated that he protests the tax revaluation. He doesn't think it is right and we shouldn't do it. He stated he is paying too much in taxes already and we should cut back.

MOTION made by Frank Emory, seconded by Joe Wiggins, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Zack Koonce
Chairman

Jennifer King
Clerk to the Board