

MINUTES
Monroe County Board of Commissioners
January 19, 2010

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on January 19, 2010 at 6:00 pm. Present were Chairman James Vaughn, Vice Chairman Jim Peters, Commissioner Jim Ham, Commissioner Larry Evans, Commissioner Mike Bilderback, County Attorney Mike Dillon, Deputy Clerk Kim Romine and County Administrator Anita Buice.

Pat Corley, President of Save A Pet Inc, appeared before the Board requesting permission to use the Courthouse lawn for the “Noodles for Poodles” event. Commissioner Ham made a motion to approve the use, seconded by Commissioner Bilderback and passed 5-0.

Chairman Vaughn read a proclamation (attached) honoring the life of Reverend Adolf Parsons. Commissioner Ham made a motion to approve the proclamation, seconded by Commissioner Peters and passed 5-0.

Jill Thomason of Monroe County Family Connection introduced herself to the Board and explained some of the functions of Family Connection.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to appoint the following people to the Library Board: Rosemary Gantt, Linda Davis, Beverly Jackson and Sharon Goodwin. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to appoint Lillian Davis to the Health Board, seconded by Commissioner Ham and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve the updates to the County Charter and to proceed with the steps to Georgia Legislature making it law. Motion was approved by Commissioner Ham and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Ham made a motion to approve the invoice for the 2010 ACCG Group Self Insurance Workers Compensation (attached). Motion was seconded by Chairman Vaughn and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve Accounts Payable checks #35811-35952 (attached) in the amount of \$284,166.76. Motion was seconded by Chairman Vaughn and approved 5-0.

Commissioner Ham made a motion to waive and approve the minutes of the called and regular meetings of January 5, 2010 with any changes to come before the Board within 30 days. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Evans and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Ham made a motion to apply for stimulus funds for work on the water treatment plant on Hwy 87. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bilderback and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Peters made a motion to apply for stimulus funds for work on county roads, seconded by Commissioner Evans and passed 5-0.

The Board discussed the need to bid the brokers for the county employee health insurance. By general consensus the board agreed to contact the Middle Georgia Regional Commission and the Association of County Commissioners for help with the Request for Qualification process.

Commissioner Ham made a motion to hire the design build team of Fry Design and Renfro Construction to design and construct the new County Administration Building. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bilderback and passed 5-0.

Chairman Vaughn made a motion to appoint Phil Ham to the Monroe County Industrial Authority, seconded by Commissioner Peters and passed 5-0.

Mick Ashmore, Monroe County resident, addressed the Board with concerns that the Forsyth Monroe County Building department was not properly founded.

Catherine Crusand, Monroe County resident, questioned if now was a good time to begin construction of a new administration building. Chairman Vaughn explained that the building is funded by monies collected from the Special Local Option Sales Tax voted on by the citizens of Monroe County and cannot be used for any other purpose. Commissioner Evans also noted that this money will stimulate the local economy by using local labor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm on motion by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Bilderback and passed 5-0.