

The Russell County Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 14th, 2012
9:30 A.M. EST.

The adjourned meeting of the Russell County Commission was called to order.

Public Comments:

Special Enforcement Officer Bill Friend announced Russell County Utilities Shop Manager Carl Currington won the Governor's Award for the PALS program. This is a great honor since there were only two of these awards given in the special division. The awards ceremony is today and Mr. Currington and Mr. Friend will attend.

Hurtsboro Mayor Michael Wells discussed the renewal of the Deputy Contract that the Town of Hurtsboro has with the Sheriff's Department.

The invocation was given by Steve Pace, Associate Pastor of Summerville Baptist Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Pugh.

Chair Martin welcomed elected officials, department heads, media and visitors.

The Oath of Office was performed by Judge Albert Johnson for the 2012-2016 Commissioners: District 1-- Gentry Lee, District 2-- Tillman Pugh, District 3-- Peggy Martin, District 4-- Ronnie Reed, District 5-- Cattie Epps, District 6-- Chance Corbett and District 7--Larry Screws.

Commissioner Corbett thanked his family, friends and his campaign workers for all of their hard work and the voters.

Commissioner Epps also thanked those who voted for her and allowed her to work for them another 4 years.

Chair Martin thanked the citizens for the privilege of serving for the next four years as Commissioner for District 3.

Commissioner Screws and Commissioner Reed also thanked their supporters.

Chair Martin asked the County Administrator to call the Commission roll.

A quorum was established.

Chair Martin requested a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve the agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was also requested by Chair Martin to approve the October 24th, 2012 meeting minutes. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. District 1 (Lee) voted, yes; District 2 (Pugh) voted, yes; District 3 (Martin) voted, yes; District 4 (Reed) voted, yes; District 5 (Epps) abstained; District 6 (Corbett) abstained; District 7 (Screws) voted, yes. 5 yes votes and 2 abstentions the motioned passed.

Chair Martin presented the Farm City Week Proclamation to the County Extension Ted Gilbert and Program Director Betty Wilson. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve the proclamation. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

Alabama Department of Transportation District Engineer DeJarvis Leonard discussed new transportation bills, the ATRIP and the RAMP programs that will be available to the counties and cities for road improvements.

Chamber of Commerce representative James McGill discussed a project for the Sports Complex he would like for the Commission to review.

The County Administrator presented the Commission Meeting Schedule for 2013. Commissioner Screws motioned to approve the schedule. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

The Courthouse will be closed November 22nd and 23rd, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Chair Martin adjourned the meeting.