

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
April 16, 2009

The Board met this date in Regular Session. Present were Chairman Eugene Hall, Commissioners Hines Boyd, Stephen Fulford, Felix "Skeet" Joyner and Danny Monroe III. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher, Clerk of Court Kirk Reams, and County Attorney T. Buckingham Bird.

1. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the minutes from the April 2, 2009 regular session were approved with changes (noting Commissioner Boyd's motion in favor of providing crushed rock for private roads).
2. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher presented the County Coordinator's Report to the Board, consisting of department head reports. He announced County Extension Director Larry Halsey's retirement party would be held from 2-5 p.m. on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Courthouse Annex.
3. Riley Palmer presented a slideshow on the condition of the courthouse roof and dome. He recommended a three to five year phased plan to cover costs. Commissioner Joyner replied that the county should try and stretch its request into the next legislative session. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the decision to spend up to \$5,000 for initial repairs to the roof, was approved.
4. Attorney David Theriaque introduced himself to the Board as their legal representation on the Jefferson Downs issue. He advised the Board that it would soon need to decide on a settlement letter and that he would meet with individual commissioners to discuss.
5. Commissioner Monroe announced that the county will be obligated to commit 10% towards NRCS projects instead of the 25% originally thought. In kind work can be contributed towards the 10%. Engineer Frank Darabi announced that the county would have to bid out for the work and that NRCS will pay the engineering costs.
6. Tax Collector Lois Howell-Hunter asked the Board for a resolution to allow her to continue submitting her budget to the County Commission instead of the Department of Revenue. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams explained that if the Tax Collector budgeted through DOR, the County Commission would be required to give her the amount determined by DOR. Commissioner Boyd felt rushed and requested more time to evaluate this request. Chairman Hall requested this issue be tabled until the next meeting. On motion by Commissioner Joyner, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the Tax Collector's resolution request was tabled.
7. Citizen Chuck Sarkisian stated his belief that the county had an obligation to taxpayers and would like to be able to obtain materials for his private road through his homeowner's association. Chairman Hall stated this issue would be discussed at the next retreat.
8. Commissioner Fulford inquired about Fire Chief Jim Billberry's qualification status. Attorney Bird stated that if Mr. Billberry needed additional time, he needed to request it from the Board. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher stated that someone else could act as Chief until situation worked out and he would come to the May 7<sup>th</sup> with recommendations.
9. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
10. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Fulford, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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Chairman

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Clerk