

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
November 15, 2012

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Hines Boyd, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Stephen Fulford, Danny Monroe and John Nelson. Also present were County Coordinator Parrish Barwick, County Attorney Buck Bird and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

**ITEM 2: Public Announcements, Presentations & Awards**

1. Chairman Boyd and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams presented outgoing Commissioners Stephen Fulford and Danny Monroe with recognition statues for their service.

**ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

2. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Consent Agenda, consisting of the approval of the agenda, was approved.**

**ITEM 4: Citizens Request and Input on Non-Agenda Items**

3. Citizen Phil Calandra expressed concern with the direction of the rock mine, specifically the possible drag line purchase. Citizen Ed Vollertsen said the money could be better spent on other county endeavors. Citizen Juanita Crumity expressed displeasure with a flyer she received from Citizen Buddy Westbrook but mailed with the Chairman's postal permit.

**ITEM 5(a): Scheduling Workshop for Committees & Boards**

4. The organizational session was scheduled for November 26<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.

**ITEM 5(b): Maintenance of Subdivision Roads**

5. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick asked for a Commission response on whether subdivision (private) roads can be County maintained. Attorney Scott Shirley stated that the roads in Heritage Hills subdivision were publicly dedicated which did not obligate the county to maintain the shoulders and entrances.

**ITEM 5(c): Septic Tank Inspection Opt-Out Issue/Discussion**

6. Attorney Shirley stated that counties with magnitude 1 springs could adopt the septic tank inspection process outlined by statute or were allowed to opt-out by January 1, 2013. **On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board passed Resolution No. 2012-111512-10, opting out of the septic tank inspection process.**

**ITEM 6: PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE NO. 2012-111512-01/GAS TAX REVENUE ROAD BOND SERIES 2012**

7. Chairman Boyd stated that this issue had been railroaded through and that his request to not have this on the agenda had been ignored. Citizen Juanita Crumity stated that this issue had been passed previously and asked who did the research for the mail out from Buddy Westbrook. Chairman Boyd responded that he had collaborated with Mr.

Westbrook. Citizen Phil Calandra stated that he was indirectly mentioned in the mail out and gave a history on the inventory and road improvement process over the past few years and also spoke in favor of the Road Bond. Citizens David Adams resented the mail out to his home without it being properly researched. Citizen Ron Tudor expressed serious concern over maintenance of Paul Thompson Road. Citizen Freddie Hightower, Transportation Director of the Jefferson County School System, spoke in favor of the Road Bond and establishing infrastructure. Citizen Jeff Silver presented a petition to have Paul Thompson Road paved. Citizen Paul Henry stated that the road bond represents a necessary function of government and said it was an example of doing what is best for the citizens. Citizen CP Miller stated that the Road Committee did a yeoman's job and that the Board had voted to approve the Road Bond Paving Program. Citizen Lenora Adams stated that the Chairman owed the members of the Road Committee an apology and stated that someone more competent was needed to run the Road Department. Citizen Eddie Harley stated that the county needed to do a better job of maintaining roads that were not being paved. Citizen Rosa Seabrooks spoke in support of paving roads and said she understood not every road could be paved with the Bond. Citizen Tommy Graham stated his appreciation for the work done on Tyson Road and stated that it needed to be finished with an asphalt surface. Chairman Boyd stated there needed to be a plan to fix all county roads. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Bond ordinance. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved Resolution No. 2012-111512-02, related to the bond issuance. On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved Resolution No. 2012-111512-03 related to the bond issuance.**

**ITEM 5(d): Requested Resolution on Long-Term Debt**

8. Chairman Boyd withdrew this item.

**ITEM 7(a): County Coordinator's Report / Road Construction**

9. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick gave an update on the status of Tyson and Indian Hills Roads.

**ITEM 9: Commissioner Discussion Items**

10. Attorney Bird informed the Board that the Court ruled in favor of Jefferson County on the re-districting issue and recommended that the Board make a decision in early 2013 as to whether they would be doing any re-districting.
11. Commissioner Nelson stated his concern regarding citizens' complaints about the Road Department.
12. Commissioner Barfield gave an update on the RESTORE ACT and stated her enjoyment of serving with Commissioners Fulford and Monroe.
13. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams thanked the Board for moving forward with the Road Bond and stated that other counties were interested in learning from our experiences with the road bond and road construction.
14. Commissioner Monroe stated it was a pleasure to have served the County. Commissioner Fulford thanked the voters of District 1 for the honor of allowing him to serve.

**ITEM 10: Installation of Commissioners**

15. Incoming Commissioners Benny Bishop and Stephen Walker were sworn in by County Judge Robert Plaines. Re-elected Commissioner Hines Boyd was also sworn in.

**ITEM 11: Adjournment**

16. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
17. **On motion by Commissioner Fulford, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

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Chairman