

MINUTES
TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

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Date: December 5, 2023
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Terrell County Historical Courthouse

Commissioners and staff present: Chairman Wilbur T. Gamble, III, Brad Stafford, Ernest Johnson, Larron Copeland, Eddie Owens, Administrator Mike McCoy, Clerk Sandra O'Stean, Attorney Jimmy Skipper, Paula Harden, Mechelle Miller, April Jackson

Others present: Bo Hamby, Seth McAllister, Margaret Halbrook, Sue Ewings

Call to order: Chairman Wilbur T. Gamble, III

Prayer: Chairman Gamble

Approval of Agenda: – Amended to add two items 1. Consideration of reappoint Kathy Wade to Zoning Board and 2. Address change in January meeting date – ***Ernest Johnson made the motion to approve the agenda of December 5, 2023 with the amendment to add items of re-appointment of Kathy Wade to the Zoning Board and discussion of change in January meeting date. Brad Stafford gave the second. The motion carried.***

Approval of Minutes of November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting: Commissioners – ***Brad Stafford made the motion to approve the minutes of November 7, 2023. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried.***

Chairman's Report: Chairman Gamble addressed changing the January meeting to Jan 9, 2024 - ***Ernest Johnson made the motion to change the January meeting date to January 9, 2024. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried. (but later amended to January 11, 2024)***

Recognition of veteran employee for years of service to Terrell County – Presentation of award by Chairman Gamble: Nathaniel Scott was recognized for his 20 years of service.

Clerk's Report: Sandra O'Stean gave the bank balances.

EMS/911/EMA Report: Bo Hamby submitted a written report and gave an update on the current EMT training classes.

Extension Service Report: Margaret Halbrook gave highlights of 4-H activities and upcoming events. Seth McAllister gave the agriculture report and information on upcoming meetings.

Chamber of Commerce Report – Daniel Beavers submitted a written report.

Road Department Report: Richard Kilby – Not available

Warden's Report: Richard Kilby submitted a written report.

Fire Department: Edward Harvey submitted a written report.

Delinquent Garbage Report: Sandra O'Stean presented a report summary. Commissioner Copeland asked for a resolution to place garbage billing on tax bills and present same on the January agenda.

Sheriff / Jail Report: John Bowens and Sandra Walker submitted a written report.

Recreation Dept: Bobbie Kendrick – Not available

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consider resolution for appointing tax assessors – Reappointment of Louise Darley for 3-year term - Darlene Paul to address ACTION: **Brad Stafford made the motion to approve the appointment of Louise Darley for a 3-year term to the Tax Assessor Board. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried.**
Reappointment of Kathy Wade to serve 5-year term on Zoning Board ACTION: **Larron Copeland made the motion to re-appointment Kathy Wade to a 5-year term on the Zoning Board. Ernest Johnson gave the second. The motion carried.**
2. Consideration for approval of employment agreement for interim county administrator extending the term of employment until the end of 2024 fiscal year- Chairman Gamble to address ACTION: **Ernest Johnson made the motion to approve the employment agreement for the interim county administrator with one change. The change being three (3) days working remote would be allowed rather than the requested five (5) days. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried.**
3. Consider action on 140-13AWD motor grader Serial # N95000404 from Yancey on which the contract expires January 7, 2024 - ACTION: **Brad Stafford made the motion to take Option 4 which is a 2-year lease extension @ \$2,029.31/month pending research of 600 hours usage per month being in the agreement. Administrator McCoy was asked to follow up on the hours of usage being offered in the agreement. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried.**
4. Consideration of approval of resolution urging the Governor and General Assembly of Georgia to continue efforts to reform and improve mental health services for citizens of Georgia – ACTION: **Brad Stafford made the motion to approve the resolution urging the Governor and the General Assembly to continue efforts to reform and improve mental health services in Georgia. Eddie Owens gave the second. The motion carried.**

Commissioner Stafford, after checking his calendar, requested consideration of January 11th for the Commissioners' meeting date. ACTION: **Eddie Owens made the motion to set the January 2024 meeting date to January 11 at 6:00 p.m. Ernest Johnson gave the second. The motion carried.**

Adjourn – ACTION: **Eddie Owens made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ernest Johnson gave the second. The motion carried.**

Respectively submitted by: 
Sandra O'Stean County Clerk

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