

**MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
July 1, 2014 – 5:00 P.M.
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)**

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Commission was held on July 1, 2014 at 5:00 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A.B. Reichert
Mayor Pro Tem Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III

Commissioner Ed DeFore
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Commissioner Al Tillman

Commission Members Absent

Commissioner Gary Bechtel

Staff Present

Dale Walker – County Manager
Judd Drake – County Attorney
Crystal Jones – Senior Assistant County Attorney
Opie Bowen – Assistant County Attorney
Reggie McClendon – Assistant County Attorney
Shelia Thurmond – Clerk of Commission
Steve Layson – Assistant County Manager (Infrastructure)
Chris Floore – Assistant to County Manager - Public Affairs
Jean S. Howard – Assistant Clerk of Commission
Janice Ross – Training & Events Coordinator
Sam Henderson – Executive Assistant to Mayor

News Media Present

Jim Gaines – The Telegraph
Malcolm Johnson – 24 WGXA
Anita Oh – 13 WMAZ

The Pre-Commission meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert.

The Mayor stated the meeting was being convened as a Committee of the Whole to take action on the contract with the Georgia Department of Corrections for the use of prison labor to supplement the Public Works Department's workforce that needed to be added to tonight's Agenda (as item "Q") for approval.

Crystal Jones, Senior Assistant County Attorney, added the contract was on tonight's agenda for approval as the contract was effective today. She also stated previous annual prison labor agreements have been with McEver Detention Center, which expires in September, and this one is with Dooly State Prison.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Georgia Department of Corrections for Prison Labor to supplement the Public Works Department's workforce***

ACTION:

- ***On motion of Commissioner DeFore, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger, and carried unanimously, the Resolution was approved for consideration at tonight's meeting.***
- ***Unanimous approval by Commissioners Bert Bivins, III, Larry Schlesinger, Elaine Lucas, Mallory Jones, III, Ed DeFore, Scotty Shepherd, Virgil Watkins, Jr., and Al Tillman.***

The Mayor reviewed the agenda items for tonight's Regular Commission Meeting at 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS

PRAYER

- A. Apostle Lila Smith Harris – Senior Pastor at Healing the Hurt Life Center

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Pre-Commission Meeting on June 17, 2014
B. Regular Commission Meeting on June 17, 2014

INVITED GUESTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

Mayor Reichert asked Committee Chairs to be prepared to give their Committee Reports tonight.

- A. Operations and Finance Committee – Commissioner Lucas, Vice Chair, will give the Committee Report due to the absence of Chairman Gary Bechtel.
- B. Economic and Community Development Committee
- C. Public Safety Committee
- D. Facilities and Engineering Committee – Commissioner Mallory Jones, Vice Chair, will give the Committee Report due to the absence of Chairman Tillman at the June 24th Committee meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to transfer a parcel of property located at 506 Hawthorne Street
- B. Resolution requiring that the pool located at the East Macon Center remain open a minimum of six (6) days per week
- C. Ordinance to appropriate \$40,000 from Commissary Fund Balance to provide nine (9) computers for the Jail Security Electronics System
- D. Resolution authorizing the Commission to accept a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Compliance Plan
- E. Ordinance to repeal Chapter 22, Article 1, Section 22-3 known as the Macon-Bibb County Scrap Tire Ordinance
- F. Ordinance to repeal Chapter 12, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances so as to eliminate provisions regarding the Macon-Bibb County Health Department issued permits for Kindergartens
- G. Resolution appointing Commissioner Elaine Lucas to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority
- H. Resolution appointing Walt Miller to fill the vacant position on the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority
- I. Resolution reappointing Andy Ambrose, Tony Lowden, and June O'Neal to the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commission
- J. Resolution reappointing Columbus Watkins to the Bibb County Department of Family and Children Services Board

- K. Resolution reappointing Curtis Cooper to the Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council
- L. Resolution appointing Adah Roberts, Evelyn Adams, Chris Howard, and Rev. Leon Ward to the Macon-Bibb County Library Board of Trustees
- M. Resolution appointing Stacy Carr to the Bibb County Board of Health
- N. Ordinance amending the Table of Contents of Article III, Chapter 5 of the Code of Ordinances entitled "Dangerous and Vicious Dogs"
- O. Resolution authorizing the Commission to accept an American with Disabilities Act Transition Plan
- P. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement of Extension with Georgia Gas Distributors, Inc. for the continued operation of the Propane Distribution and Storage Facility located at 1122 Seventh Street
- Q. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Georgia Department of Corrections for the use of Prison Labor to supplement the Public Works Department's workforce

NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor stated all New Business items would be referred to Committees for action.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 P.M.

Shelia Thurmond, CCC
Clerk of Commission