

**MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
January 7, 2020
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)**

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon - Bibb County Commission was held January 7, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at the Government Center.

Commission Members Present:

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Joe Allen

Commissioner Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

Commissioner Mallory Jones, III

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Scotty Shepherd

News Media Present:

Tanya Modersitzki, WMGT 41
Abby Koursouris, WMAZ 13

Guests:

William Noland
Robert Abbott
Bill Howell
Raymond Wilder

Staff Present

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill – Assistant County Attorney
Joel Callins, Assistant County Attorney
Michelle Harris, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett – County Manager
Janice Ross – Clerk of the Commission
Chris Floore- Public Affairs
Rebecca Grist – Solicitor General

1. Call to Order

Mayor Reichert called the meeting to order.

2. Announcements

3. Election of the Mayor Pro Tem

Commissioner Bivins left the meeting at this time.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn, Commissioner Wynn was nominated to be Mayor Pro Tem for 2020.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Lucas, Commissioner Al Tillman was nominated to be Mayor Pro Tem for 2020.

DISCUSSION

Mayor Reichert called on Commissioner Allen to voice his support of Commissioner Wynn and on Commissioner Wynn to voice her reasons for wanting the position.

Mayor Reichert called on Commissioner Watkins to voice his support of Commissioner Tillman and Commissioner Lucas to voice her support of Commissioner Tillman.

Mayor Reichert called for the vote.

Commissioners in favor of Commissioner Wynn for Mayor Pro Tem were Commissioners Allen, Wynn and Jones; those opposed were Commissioners Watkins, Schlesinger, Lucas and Tillman.

Commissioners in favor of Commissioner Tillman for Mayor Pro Tem were Commissioners Schlesinger, Tillman, Watkins and Lucas; those opposed were Commissioners Allen, Wynn and Jones.

Neither candidate received the required five votes so the item was tabled and moved to the next meeting on January 14, 2020.

4. Review of the Agenda for tonight's Commission meeting
5. Consent Agenda
 - A. New Alcohol Beverage License for Desai Enterprises Inc. d.b.a. Amoco Food Store 2579 Emery Hwy Macon, GA 31217
 - B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Kinjo Kitchen and Cocktails, LLC 497 Second Street Macon, GA 31201
 - C. New Alcohol Beverage License for Anika Gas N Go Inc. d.b.a. Shell 4331 Pio Nono Avenue Macon, GA 31206
 - D. New Alcohol Beverage License for 1904 Gas and Food LLC 1904 Shurling Dr. Macon, GA 31211
 - E. New Alcohol Beverage License for Capricorn Museum and Sound Studio 540 MLK Jr. Blvd Macon, GA 31201

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and carried unanimously, the new alcohol beverage license listed above was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- F. New Alcohol Beverage License for V.K. Napier LLC d.b.a. Napier Neighborhood Grocery
1095 Pio Nono Ave. Macon, GA 31204

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried unanimously, the above license was tabled for more information.

6. New Business

- A. A Resolution establishing and fixing the qualifying fees for each elected County office to be filled in the upcoming 2020 General Primary and Nonpartisan General Elections request the Publication of said Qualifying fees by the Board of Elections in the Legal Organ of Record (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried unanimously, the Resolution setting the qualifying fees for the upcoming 2020 General Primary and Nonpartisan General Elections was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

7. Executive Session

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously the Commission went into Executive Session to Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against Macon-Bibb County or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1) and Authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(B);

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Pre-Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission