

**MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
September 3, 2019
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)**

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon - Bibb County Commission was held on September 3, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at the Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III

Commissioner Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.

Commission Members Absent

Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

News Media Present

Tanya Modersitzki, WMGT 41
Abby Koursouris, WMAZ 13

Staff Present

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Crystal Jones – Sr Assistant, County Attorney
Michael McNeill – Assistant County Attorney
Janice Ross – Clerk of the Commission
Keith Moffett – County Manager
Spencer Hawkins – Director, EMA

Guests

Lester Miller, President, Board of Education
David Cooke, District Attorney

1. Call to Order

Mayor Reichert called the meeting to order.

2. Announcements

- *Spencer Hawkins, Director, Emergency Management Agency, gave an update on Hurricane Dorian.*

3. Review Agenda for Tonight's Commission Meeting

Mayor Reichert reviewed the agenda for tonight's meeting

4. Consent Agenda

- A. New Alcohol Beverage License for BLK Petroleum, Inc located at 6999 Knoxville Road, Macon, GA 31052

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously the new alcohol beverage license for BLK Petroleum was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Jaya Food & Gas Inc. located at 1803 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, GA 31204

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger and seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried unanimously, the new alcohol beverage license for Jaya Food and Gas was rejected and the temporary license was revoked.

5. New Business

There was no new business.

6. Confiscated Funds

- Approved use for confiscated fund – District Attorney David Cooke

David Cooke, District Attorney, gave an update on the approved uses for confiscated funds. He reminded the Commission that Georgia law designates how funds can be used and that it is at the discretion of the District Attorney as to how they are used. Mr. Cooke stated that he attempts to distribute the funds as fairly as possible to services agencies such as Crisis Line, Safe House, Family Counseling Center and the Crescent House. He continued that he even came up with a plan on how to distribute the funds and was told that the parameters were too narrow and so he did not move ahead. He stated that the money is placed in a Macon-Bibb County account so that the funds can be audited. He continued that the amount of funds they have is listed on their web site and how that money is spent is also listed. Mr. Cooke reminded the Commission that they had sent the Best Practice Guide to each of them via e-mail.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Pre-Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission