

**HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
FEBRUARY 27, 2014 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Heard County Board of Commissioners held a Commissioners Meeting on February 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse. In attendance at the meeting were Chairman Lee Boone, District 1 Commissioner Larry Hooks, District 2 Commissioner Jacob Cammon, District 3 Commissioner Gwen Caldwell, District 4 Commissioner Frank Crook, District 5 Commissioner Sandi Allen, and County Attorney Jerry Ann Conner. Chairman Boone called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. Mr. Randy Chestnut a Heard County resident gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 3 – Approval of Minutes – On motion (Hooks) and second (Allen), the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from January 23, 2014 as presented.

Agenda Item # 4 – Amend Agenda – Chairman Boone asked for an amendment to the agenda to include Invited Guests – Judge Joseph Wyant, Juvenile Court Judge. On motion (Allen) and second (Cammon), the Board unanimously approved this request.

Agenda Item # 5 – Invited Guests – Judge Joseph Wyant, Juvenile Court Judge – Judge Joseph Wyant, Juvenile Court Judge introduced himself to the Board and reviewed mandated changes that are being made to the juvenile court system. He explained a new program that is being developed in the juvenile court system called Children In Need of Service (CINS). He stated that this program is much cheaper than having children in juvenile detention centers. He also stated that next year Heard County will be included in a new grant application to help fund these mandated changes to the system. The Board thanked him for coming.

Agenda Item # 6 - New Business – a. Discuss Equipment Purchase – In a work session held at 5:30 p.m., Public Works Director, Darold Wiggins presented two bids on two new tractors for the road department; (see bids attached). After much discussion the Board asked

Chairman Boone to have Mr. Wiggins to revise the specifications on the tractors and come back to the Board at a later date with the revised bids.

b. Non-Conforming Use Application, Mr. Lance Ethridge, 8227 Frolona Road, Franklin –

Mr. Lance Ethridge asked the Board to approve the relocation of a single wide mobile home that is located at 8227 Frolona Road to a piece of property he owns on Towncreek Road. Mr. Ethridge explained that he is swapping property with Ms. Cindy Richardson and moving her mobile home. He explained that the property where Ms. Richardson's mobile home is currently located, which is 8227 Frolona Road will be his and he will move her mobile home to land that he currently owns on Towncreek Road. He stated that when he moves the mobile home he plans to deed her 1 acre of the Towncreek Road property. He also will underpin the mobile home with block underpinning, add new porches and add a room onto the mobile home. He stated he would also install a new septic tank and field lines for the mobile home. Ms. Richardson stated this would be better for her also. It would provide her with shade for her children to play outside and more room for her and her parents who live with her due to her health issues. It would also be less land for her to pay taxes on. Commissioner Allen asked would the mobile home need to have an independent inspection. Jerry Ann Conner, County Attorney stated no inspection is needed to move the mobile home. Adjacent property owner, Mr. Sammy Noles, 6959 Ridgeway Road; stated that this mobile home would not enhance his property value and he does not approve of this mobile home being moved so close to him. Commissioner Caldwell stated that he does understand Mr. Noles concerns but that he feels this would help Ms. Richardson also financially. On motion (Caldwell) and second (Cammon), the board unanimously approved this request to relocate the mobile home.

c. Approve Annual Authorizing Resolution for Heard County Transit's DOT 5311

Program – On motion (Hooks) and second (Allen), the Board unanimously approved this annual authorizing resolution for Heard County Transit's DOT 5311 Program.

d. Discuss Appointments to Heard County Planning Commission – Chairman Boone stated that there are two vacancies on the Heard County Planning Commission. Mr. Cameron Sheppard announced his resignation and Mr. Brandon Hannah's term expired on February 14, 2014 and he does not wish to be reappointed. The Board will need to appoint two members to this board. On motion (Cammon) and second (Caldwell), the Board unanimously appointed Mr. Josh Parmer to fill Mr. Cameron Sheppard's term. After further discussion, the Board postponed the second appointment.

Agenda Item # 7 – Old Business – a. Discuss Appointments to Heard County Library

Board – On motion (Allen) and second (Hooks), the Board unanimously appointed Ms. Martha Kilgore to the Heard County Library Board. On motion (Allen) and second (Crook), the Board unanimously appointed Miss Macie Cassel to the Heard County Library Board.

Agenda Item # 8 – Public Comments – None.

Agenda Item # 9 – Executive Session – Chairman Boone asked the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation. On motion (Allen) and second (Cammon), the Board unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session. On motion (Allen) and second (Cammon), the Board unanimously voted to return to Open Session.

There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and (Cammon), the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.

Affidavit for approved minutes for February 27, 2014

Patty A. Giles
County Clerk

Lee Boone
Chairman

Date: 3-13-14