

STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

December 2, 2013

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jack Black
Commissioner Gary Farley
Commissioner Trey Gooch
Commissioner Jeff Jordan
Commissioner Allen McAdoo
Commissioner Adam Coggin, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess Phil Griffin
Glenn Taylor Bob Asbury
Anthony Tuggle Gary Eakes
Scott Porterfield Randy Allen
Lynn Graves Shaun Cassidy
Rachel Soetje Marilyn Kelley
Frances Mosby Will Jordan
Becky Shelton

Chairman Coggin presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with six members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Gooch moved, seconded by Commissioner Farley, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

ANNOUNCE VACANCY ON INSURANCE COMMITTEE FOR EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE:

Chairman Coggin advised the position of Virgil Gammon on the Insurance Committee as employee representative was expiring and accordingly being announced.

ANNOUNCE FOUR VACANCIES ON PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY:

Chairman Coggin advised four vacancies on the Public Building Authority were being announced. The positions of Jim Bailey and Steve Waldron are expiring and there are two vacant positions.

FILL FOUR VACANCIES ON AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised the positions of two Commissioners, a farm woman and farmer on the Agricultural Advisory Board were to be filled and applications had been received from Commissioners Robert Peay, Jr. and Will Jordan as well as Francille Whitworth for the farm woman position. No application has been received for the farmer position. Commissioner Will Jordan was in attendance and addressed the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Farley moved, seconded by Commissioner Gooch, to recommend appointment of Will Jordan and Robert Peay, Jr. as the Commissioner representatives and Francille Whitworth as the farm woman representative on the Agricultural Advisory Board. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee was advised Stan Vaught would submit his application for the farmer position and could be nominated from the Commission floor.

FILL TWO VACANCIES ON CORRECTIONAL WORK CENTER BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised applications had been received from Robert Asbury, Frances Mosby and Glenn Taylor for appointment to the Correctional Work Center Board. All applicants were present and addressed the Committee. A letter has been received from the Correctional Work Center Board recommending reappointment of Robert Asbury and Frances Mosby to the Board. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Farley, to nominate all three applicants and vote for two. Robert Asbury and

Frances Mosby will be recommended for appointment to the Correctional Work Center Board by unanimous roll call vote."

FILL VACANCY ON LINEBAUGH LIBRARY BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised a vacancy on Linebaugh Library Board needed to be filled by a male from the Smyrna area and applications had been received from Gabriel Fancher, Thomas L. Hickerson and Daniel Graves. Mr. Fancher was disqualified because he did not live in Smyrna. A letter from the Linebaugh Library Board was submitted which recommended appointment of Mr. Graves. Mr. Graves was in attendance and addressed the Committee. Mr. Hickerson had previously advised he would not be able to attend due to a conflict. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Farley moved, seconded by Commissioner Gooch, to nominate both applicants and vote for one. Mr. Graves will be recommended for appointment to the Linebaugh Library Board with Commissioners Farley, Gooch, J. Jordan and Coggin voting for Graves and Commissioners Black and McAdoo voting for Hickerson."

FILL SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY:

Chairman Coggin advised applications for the School Board vacancy had been received from Jim Estes who was disqualified because he did not reside in the correct zone, Sue Cain who asked that her application be removed from consideration, Garey Eakes and Edward Scott Porterfield. Mr. Eakes advised the Committee he previously ran for the School Board and came in second to Mr. Tackett and if appointed would not run in the next election. Mr. Porterfield advised if appointed it would give him an opportunity to decide if he wanted to run in the next election.

Commissioner J. Jordan advised more people can apply but they would have to be nominated from the Commission floor. Mayor Burgess advised he would have the residency checked the night of the Commission if anyone were to be nominated.

Chairman Coggin advised the Committee can recommend up to three people to the Commission so the Committee could refer both applicants on or nominate all and vote for one.

"Commissioner Farley moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Jordan, to nominate both applicants and vote for one. Mr. Eakes will be recommended for appointment to the School Board to fill the unexpired term of Tim Tackett by roll call vote with Commissioners Black, Gooch, Jr. Jordan, McAdoo and Coggin voting for Eakes and Commissioner Farley voting for Porterfield."

QUESTION ON NEW DISTRICTS:

Commissioner Black asked for a clarification as to the upcoming primary and general elections as to the Commission districts. Mayor Burgess advised if no one has moved then everyone should be eligible to run in their current district. Voters have changed but not the Commissioners. All voters have their voter card with the new districts and elections will be per the new districts.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Coggin declared the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

ADAM COGGIN, Chairman