

# Union County

## Board of County Commissioners

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### REGULAR MEETING

### MINUTES

DECEMBER 17, 2012

*7:00 PM*

NOTE: If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record for the proceedings and may need to insure that a verbatim record is made.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Commissioner Tallman led the pledge and delivered the invocation.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Daniel Minshew came before the Board to complain about his neighbor's observation deck. He would like the Board to follow the LDR and have the setback at 15'. It was the decision of the Board to have Attorney Wade write a letter to Mr. Brown advising him that he has 30 days to correct the problem or he could be facing a lawsuit.

Ms. Tara Craver came before the Board to voice her concern about people speeding on Little Springs Road in Worthington Springs. The Board decided to install rumble strips and to see about having the speed limit reduced to 20 mph.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 19, 2012 Regular Meeting, November 20, 2012 Reorganization Meeting and December 5, 2012

### BOARD MEMBERS:

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Clerk of Court

RUSSELL WADE III  
County Attorney

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Upon a motion by Commissioner Cossey, seconded by Commissioner Dobbs, this Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

5. REPORT FROM FINANCE DIRECTOR - Donna Jackson

Consideration For Approval To Pay The Bills

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cossey, seconded by Commissioner Tallman, this Board voted unanimously to allow the bills to be paid.

Mrs. Jackson informed the Board that it was time to renew the Riding Club Lease. Upon a motion by Commissioner Tallman, seconded by Commissioner Cossey, this Board voted unanimously to approve the lease with no changes.

6. APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

Blake Ward, Owner

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cossey, seconded by Commissioner Dobbs, this Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

7. DEBBIE THOMAS

Mrs. Thomas stated that she was present as a concerned citizen and not as an insurance agent. She thinks that the County should be receiving better rates and better benefits. Chairman Smith asked if she was wanting us to consider a new agent of record. Commissioner Tallman questioned the legalities of the contract with Roberts Insurance. Chairman Smith informed the Board that the contract is for a three year period that can then renew twice at three year periods. Attorney Wade stated that the contract does not have a termination clause. He also stated that several things are strange about that contract. It said the area is a little grey and that Roberts Insurance could possibly sue for breach of contract. Commissioner Cossey stated that she was in favor of staying with Roberts Insurance. Chairman Smith stated that in May or June the Board could look at addressing RFQ's.

8. REPORT FROM DIRECTORS

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*JIMMY BEASLEY - SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT*

Nothing to report.

*SHELTON ARNOLD, JR. - ROAD DEPARTMENT*

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cossey, seconded by Commissioner Dobbs, this Board voted unanimously to declare a wood chipper as surplus property.

*MARY BROWN - PUBLIC LIBRARY*

Nothing to report.

*CHRIS DRUM - EMS*

Nothing to report.

*JOHN WALKER - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT*

Absent.

*MITCH ANDREWS - VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT*

Absent.

*BASIL BACTAWAR - EXTENSION OFFICE*

Mr. Bactawar delivered his Annual Report to the Board.

*WAYNE MUNDORFF - BUILDING DEPARTMENT*

Absent.

9. REPORT FROM REGINA PARRISH, CLERK OF COURTS

Mrs. Parrish stated that this would be her last meeting as the Clerk of Courts and she was very proud to have served the citizens for the past twenty years. She stated that she was fortunate to have worked with an amazing staff.

10. REPORT FROM RUSSELL A. WADE III, COUNTY ATTORNEY

Attorney Wade recommended that the Board hold a workshop on the proposed flood ordinance. Upon a motion by Commissioner Tallman, seconded by Commissioner Croft, this Board voted unanimously to hold a workshop at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Smith stated that he would like to have John Walker, Tim Allen and Wayne Mundorff to attend.

11. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Karen Cossey, District 1*

Nothing to report.

*Morris Dobbs, District 2*

Commissioner Dobbs stated that it has been an honor to serve with Mrs. Parrish.

*Jimmy Tallman, District 3*

Commissioner Tallman stated that he would like to thank Mrs. Parrish for all of her years of service. Upon a motion by Commissioner Cossey, seconded by Commissioner Croft, this Board voted

unanimously to transplant trees at the Recreation Board property.

*M. Wayne Smith, District 4*

Chairman Smith stated that the A & A Transport Building is coming along.

Chairman Smith reported that they CR 237 was started, but couldn't mill road because it wouldn't lift. They will be bringing new milling from Starke.

Chairman Smith informed the Board that they will meet on the third Tuesday in January, since that Monday is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

*Willie Croft, District 5*

Nothing to report.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Commissioner Tallman, seconded by Commissioner Croft, this Board voted unanimously to adjourn.