

# FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 13, 2014 9:00 a.m.

Present: Chairman Dirk Bowles, Commissioner Boyd Burbank, Commissioner Scott Workman, Attorney Vic Pearson and Clerk Shauna Geddes

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**— Scott made the motion to pass the minutes for the December 9, 16 and 23rd, 2013. Dirk seconded it and it passed unanimously.
3. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**—Boyd made the motion to add Executive Session for Personnel and Litigation and East Oneida Easements to the agenda. Scott made the second; all voted in favor.
4. **FOREST SERVICE CONTRACT/SHERIFF DAVE FRYAR** – Sheriff Fryar presented the Forest Service Agreement which is the same as it has been for a number of years. The exception is that there is a 10% reduction in the amount the forest service will pay to the sheriff's office for patrol. The amount for this year will be \$3114.00. The motion to authorize Dirk to sign the Caribou-Targee National Service Agreement was made by Boyd, seconded by Scott and passed unanimously.
5. **NEW VEHICLE FINANCING/SHERIFF DAVE FRYAR** – Ireland Bank will lease the two new 2014 pick-ups to the Sheriff's department. The total amount of purchase will be \$68,513.78. West Motor will cut a check to the Sheriff's Department for the trade-ins for about \$7,000. Scott made the motion to accept the lease contract with Ireland Bank for the two 2014 Dodge Ram 1500's. Boyd made the second and all voted in favor.
6. **LANDFILL FEES/SUPERVISOR SID JENSEN--** Landfill Supervisor Sid Jensen and Secretary Kim Keller had concerns about how billing has been done. They would like the schedule of fees to be consistent for all users. The charge for a roll-off would be \$110.00 for the first 10 days and \$40.00 per week thereafter. Sid is also concerned about how businesses are charged for additional pick-ups. There are many inconsistencies. He feels that a flat rate with three levels of tonnage would be the way to set it up. Kim will check with the city to find out what and who they are charging.

Another concern is homeowners who have a second 100 gallon can and pay no additional fees. The City charges 3.50 per month for an extra pick-up. The Zeolite Mine has a roll-off at the mine instead of a can. They have never been charged nor do they have a landfill fee attached to their property taxes. The Commissioners feel that this should be added going forward.

Sid and Kim will come to the next meeting with the proposed landfill fee schedule.

Sid would like to close the landfill on Saturday afternoons during the winter. There are very few customers. The Commissioners approved and asked Sid to post the change in the newspaper.

7. **RON SMELLIE/MINK RANCH** – Ron Smellie and neighbors met with the Commissioners to voice their opposition to the Mink Ranch being built on 8<sup>th</sup> East and Highway 91. Their main concern is the odor and flies that come with Mink Farms and the proximity to businesses and residences. But another concern is the danger of mink leaving the farm. Ron explained that the dynamics of this area is changing from agricultural to industrial and residential. Ron would like the Commissioners to remedy the situation. He asked if the commissioners could rescind the permit. Attorney Vic Pearson said that the Commissioners have the authority to rescind.

Robert Chandler owns a business in the area and shares the same concerns.

Alexis Beckstead owns property nearby and feels that the Mink Ranch will devalue her property.

Steve Owen and Jeanette Owen are concerned about the upkeep of the Mink Ranch.

Mariann Cox who lives in Apple Orchard Estates is concerned about the proximity to the school and homes.

Commissioner Bowles explained that there is an Animal Confinement Ordinance which was adopted in 2002. The owners of the property have followed all the proper steps and is in compliance with the ordinance. He stated that it is the Commissioners job to uphold the ordinances. It was asked if the ordinances could be changed. And the answer was yes, but that this Mink Ranch was permitted under the current ordinance.

8. **PROPERTY TAXES PARCEL #5355.0**- The owners of parcel #5355.0 are two years delinquent on their taxes and asked if their taxes could be reduced. They are asking that their taxes be income based. They feel that their value of their property is high, but that the income is low. Last year Assessor Jase Cundick lowered their property value by 90,000. He is currently working with them to get the tax income based, but needs more information. The payments that they are making are barely covering the interest accruing. They owe approximately 44,000. The owners need to finish working with the Assessor. It was explained that there is a hardship exemption, but that it needs to be applied through the Assessor's office, also.

9. **INDIGENT LIEN/DENISE MURDOCK**—Denise Murdock sold her home and carried the mortgage herself. The new owner became a county indigent case after he was injured and a lien was filed on him and his home. He has now defaulted on the mortgage and Denise is taking the house back. She would like to know if the County could release the lien. Because of the size of the case, it became a case for the State Catastrophic Fund. The county paid the first \$11,000 and the state paid for anything over. The lien is filed with the state as well. Clerk Shauna Geddes will find out the options.

10. **COUNTY BUSINESS**

**Beer License- Preston Golf and Country Club** – A license to serve beer on the premises was approved after a motion by Scott and a second by Boyd.

**Approval of Bills** –Scott made the motion to approve the payment of the bills as submitted. It was seconded by Boyd and passed unanimously.

**Boards** - Each Commissioner will update the boards that he is in charge of for this next year.

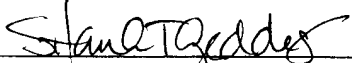
4. **Executive Session ¶67-2345 (1)(d)(c)**


At 11:33 a.m. Scott made the motion to go into executive session to discuss board appointments and indigent applications. Dirk seconded the motion. At a roll call vote each commissioner voted in favor. At 12:10 p.m. the executive session ended.

5. **Indigent Case–**

Boyd made motion to approve indigent case #2014-10005. Dirk second. Motion passed unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. Next meeting will be Monday, January 27, 2014.

  
Attest, Shauna Geddes

  
Dirk Bowles, Chair