

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CONTINUATION MEETING
MAY 23, 2005

Chairman Bryson reconvened the meeting at 6 p.m. All Board Members with the exception of Commissioner Davis who was out of town for educational purposes, the County Manager, County Attorney, Staff Attorney, Finance Director, Deputy Clerk, members of the news media and interested citizens were present.

FY 2005/2006 PROPOSED BUDGET AND MESSAGE: The County Manager presented the proposed FY 2005/2006 budget and budget message with a reminder that the public hearing on the budget is scheduled for 6 p.m. on June 1st. Upon motion by Commissioner Leatherman and seconded by Commissioner Shepherd the Board unanimously voted to acknowledge receipt of the budget and message. It was noted the budget is posted on the county's web site and copies are available at all three county libraries and the county receptionist desk for review.

DUKE POWER INTERVENTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT: Commissioner Shepherd made a motion to approve the Duke Power intervention preferred settlement agreement as presented at the May 2nd meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leatherman and all favored. (Note: Attached for the record is a handout distributed to the Board by Fred Alexander from Duke Power - Attachment #1.)

SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT/SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT: Commissioner Shepherd stated he had met with the Sheriff and there is a need for surveillance equipment in the lobby, booking area and common areas of the Detention Center. Upon motion by Commissioner Shepherd and seconded by Commissioner Leatherman the Board unanimously voted to authorize purchase and installation of the cameras.

DILLS KNOB CELL TOWER: Chairman Bryson stated he had met with representatives from Pegasus Tower at the Dills Knob site and felt a self-supporting tower would not be noticeable and enhancement of communications in that area is a definite need. Commissioner Simpson made a motion to approve the site for a self-supporting tower subject to the condition that the tower be a dull color as originally proposed for the monopole. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shepherd and all favored.

PUBLIC HEARING: Upon motion by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner Leatherman the regular meeting was recessed at 6:05 p.m. to convene, as noticed, the public hearing on the proposed Rural Operation Assistance Program (ROAP) application to be submitted to the NCDOT. Transit Director Kim Angel explained there were no changes in the application and is for continuation of existing programs. No one wished to speak and upon motion by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Leatherman, the Board unanimously voted to return to regular session.

ROAP CERTIFICATION: Upon motion by Commissioner Shepherd and seconded by Commissioner Simpson the Board unanimously approved the Rural Operating Assistance Program Certification per attachment #2.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Commissioner Leatherman the meeting was adjourned.

Sam K. Greenwood, County Manager
Clerk to the Board

Daniel A. Bryson
Board Chairman

