

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FEBRUARY 12, 2007  
CONTINUATION MEETING  
MINUTES

Chairman Leatherman reconvened the meeting at 6 p.m. at Shoney's Restaurant as recessed. All Board Members, the County Manager, Deputy Clerk, Finance Officer, members of the Board of Education, school staff and members of the news media were present.

FINANCE: Banking Service Contract - Finance Director Evelyn Southard informed the Board that the County's contract for banking services with First Citizens Bank is expiring and the Finance Department sent out RFP's for banking services. She explained based on an annual estimated cost analysis Wachovia was the low bidder plus their average interest rates paid on account balances have been higher for the past year than any of the other banks. Based on the information staff recommended awarding a five year contract to Wachovia Bank and Trust for Macon County banking services. Upon motion by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner McClellan the Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and award the bid to Wachovia.

N.C. Clean Water Revolving Grant Funds - After an update by the County Manager on sewer/water projects Commissioner Davis made a motion to adopt the attached grant acceptance resolution with N.C. Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Fund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and all favored. (Attachment #1)

Audit Contract - Upon motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Simpson the Board unanimously voted to approve the audit contract with Martin Starnes & Associates, CPA's, P.A. for the FY 2006/07 audit. (Attachment #2)

(Note: The Finance Officer and Deputy Clerk were excused at this time.)

SCHOOLS: The Board of Commissioners and Board of Education met jointly to discuss school facility needs. School Superintendent Dan Brigman presented information on facility needs especially at East Franklin School, growth in the schools and long-range goals for new construction. Mike Watson architect from Bowers, Ellison and Watson presented architectural plans for upgrades and renovations at East Franklin School. Various means of funding school capital projects were discussed including a referendum, lottery funds, and an optional sales tax with no action being necessary. Chairman Leatherman noted he recently appointed Commissioners Beale and Davis to work with the schools on facility needs assessments.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Sam K. Greenwood, County Manager  
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Charles D. Leatherman  
Board Chairman