

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CONTINUATION MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2007
MINUTES

Chairman Leatherman reconvened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. as recessed. All Board members, the Deputy Clerk, County Attorney, Finance Director, members of the news media, Seth Adams Recreation Director and Engineer Larry Lackey were present.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon motion by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner Beale the Board unanimously voted to go into closed session to discuss a contractual matter. During closed session the attorney briefed the Board on contractual issues. No action was taken and upon motion by Commissioner Davis the Board returned to regular session.

SOUTH MACON RECREATION PROJECT: Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the recommendation to reject all bids received on November 16, 2007, for the South Macon Recreation Project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McClellan and all favored. The County Attorney advised Article 3D of Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes outlines requirements for procurement of engineering design services; however, proposed projects may be exempted from the requirement where the estimated design fee is less than \$30,000. She explained information received from the Recreation Director indicated the engineering design for the proposed South Macon Recreation Park Phase I project is estimated to be less than \$30,000 and advised the Board could adopt a resolution exempting the engineering design for the project from the requirements of GS §143-64.31. Commissioner Beale made a motion to adopt the attached resolution making the exemption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and all favored. (Attachment #1)

The County Manager will be instructed to negotiate engineering services for a down scaled project.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Simpson the Board unanimously voted to go into closed session to discuss a contractual matter concerning land acquisition. During closed session the County Attorney updated the Board on the referenced matter. No action was taken and upon motion by Commissioner Davis the Board returned to regular session.

UPDATES: The County Attorney informed the Board that the Owens/Sanders property was to close on December 28th. Commissioner Beale questioned the status of the proposed Flood Plain Ordinance, library issues and the proposed Subdivision Ordinance. Commissioner Beale will meet with the County Attorney to receive updates on these issues.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion of Commissioner Davis the meeting was adjourned.

C. Jack Horton, County Manager
Clerk to the Board

Charles D. Leatherman
Board Chairman