

**ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
WARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 14, 2014**

The Ware County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 14, 2014 in the Ware County Commission Chambers with Chairman Jimmy Brown presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jimmy Brown.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman Jimmy Brown, Gene Dixon, Victor Aldridge and Danny Turner.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Commissioner Carlson Nelson, ACCG Conference, Savannah.

STAFF PRESENT: County Manager Paul Smith, Administrative Assistant Pamela San Nicolas and County Attorney Jennifer Herzog.

PRESS: Waycross Journal Herald Reporter Myra Thrift.

INVOCATION: Chairman Jimmy Brown gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Danny Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS: An Appeal to Heaven (Elbethel Church) Pastor Ken Brown National Public Safety Telecommunications Week April 13-19, 2014 – Attorney Jennifer Herzog read the proclamations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Approval of March 2014 Minutes: Work Sessions – March 10 and 24, 2014, Called Meeting – March 10, 2014, Regular Meeting – March 10, 2014.

APPOINTMENTS: The following three persons have agreed to serve on the Ware County Board of Zoning Appeals if appointed by the Ware County Commission on April 14, 2014: Post 1-Ameila Teston; Post 2-Jeff Jones; Post 3 – Burton Carter

Unison Board of Directors – Patrick Simmons is currently serving in a board appointed position representing Ware County. If it meets the Ware County Board of Commissioner’s approval, the Unison board of Directors would like to have Mr. Simmons appointed by the Commission to fill the vacancy created by Ms. Blacknall’s resignation. The appointment would run from July 1, 2014 – June 2017.

CONTRACT RENEWALS: EMA Disaster Removal and Disposal – primary contract is with Crowder Gulf and the secondary contract is with Ceres Environmental. The contract award is for 1 year with the option to renew for 2 additional years.

Natural Gas (Scana Energy) – It is the recommendation to continue with our current state contractor vendor Scana Energy. This will result in a reduction of our cost per therm from NYMEX index plus \$0.06 to \$0.039.

GRANT: GEMA –Homeland Security (GSAR) \$11,000.00 – This grant would be to purchase/replace/maintain items used for Search and Rescue that have been used-up or are no longer functional. This is a cost reimbursement grant-Ware County will be responsible for purchasing the items upfront and will be reimbursed through the grant. Matching funds are not required.

Commissioner Aldridge moved to approve the Consent Items as presented with Commissioner Turner seconding. Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Turner – yea, Commissioner Dixon –yea and Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: There was none.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Dixon moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 5:26 p.m. with Commissioner Aldridge seconding. Commissioner Dixon – yea, Commissioner Turner – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, and Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

These are the unofficial minutes of the Ware County Board of Commissioners for April 14, 2014.