

**MINUTES  
MID-MONTH WORK SESSION  
WARE COUNTY  
JANUARY 26, 2009**

The Ware County Board of Commissioners met in a Mid-month Work Session at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, January 26, 2009 in the Ware County Commission Chambers with Chairman Brown presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Jimmy Brown.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Chairman Jimmy Brown, Commissioners Kathy E. Davis, Carlos Nelson, Victor Aldridge and Gene Dixon.

**STAFF PRESENT:** County Manager Gail Boyd, County Clerk Pam Gibson and County Attorney Huey W. Spearman.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Aldridge gave the invocation.

**PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS:**

- **Bickley bridge replacement project** – Civil Construction Coordinator Paul Smith said rights-of-way acquisition is needed on 9 parcels for this GDOT project. He would like to know how the Commission desires to proceed with obtaining the rights-of-way. The Board directed Mr. Smith to schedule each property owner to meet at Mr. Spearman’s office to work the details out. If there are any problems Mr. Smith is to return to the Board.

**COMMISSIONER’S ITEMS:**

- **Commissioner Aldridge** – said he has received notification regarding trash dumping on the Tanner Farm Road. He requested that Public Works place “No Dumping” signs in the area. He also requested that “Slow Moving Equipment” signs be placed in the area.

Commissioner Aldridge noted that Ware County Extension Service has been without an Agriculture Agent for quite some time and with the State’s hiring freeze it does not look like there will be one in the near future. Ware County has been calling on James Jacobs from Pierce County in the meantime. Commissioner Aldridge would like to approach the idea of sharing Mr. Jacob’s services with Pierce County and Ware County supplementing a portion of his salary. County Manager Gail Boyd was directed to speak with Laney Lanier with the State Extension Office and see if this is a possibility.

- **Chairman Brown** – requested an update from Huey Spearman regarding the NAMCo contract. Mr. Spearman said he received notification from NAMCo’s attorney stating that Ware County is in breach of contract. It also stated that NAMCo has made vast improvements at the Tri-County Landfill making it a more valuable asset and wants to be refunded for its expense of improvements at the landfill site. Mr. Spearman said there has not been a court date set, but noted that it could be tried in Federal Court.
- **Commissioner Davis** – inquired about a paving petition for Stephenson Street. County Manager Boyd replied that there is one on file.
- **Chairman Brown** – stated he received a call from Mrs. Marsh. She requested to see a recycling program implemented.

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**COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS:**

- **Reschedule February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting** – It was agreed to reschedule the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting to February 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **Meeting with City Commissioners** – It was agreed to schedule a Joint City and County Meeting for February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Commissioner Aldridge moved to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Nelson seconding. Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Chairman Brown – yea, Commissioner Davis – yea, Commissioner Dixon - yea. The motion carried. With no further discussion, the Work Session was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

*Approved: February 12, 2009*

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*Pam Gibson, County Clerk*

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*Jimmy Brown, Chairman*