

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SUPERVISORS MINUTES
September 15, 2011

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors met in quorum, Thursday, September 15, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. at the courthouse for their regular meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryant Amos. There was a roll call of members with Supervisors: Bryant Amos, Karen Blue, Randy Tye, Donna Robinson and Steve Ratcliff.

Motion to approve the agenda by Ratcliff, second by Tye. Roll call: Yes: Amos, Blue, Robinson, Ratcliff, Tye. No: None. Motion carried.

Minutes of the September 8, 2011 regular meeting were approved as read.

The Chairman called for public comments. None.

Supervisor weekly updates and assignments: Blue attended the Red Oak Chamber and Industry meeting and there was discussion in reference to the downtown renewal project and the possibility of county funding assistance for economic development. She also mentioned that she is in negotiations with a group interested in the vacant portion of Highland Annex and will be showing them the property on Monday.

Secondary Roads Update: Engineer Skinner informed the board that Bryant, Karen and himself had a telephonic meeting with the claims representative from the railroad and the figure they estimated the damages to be is about \$250,000 less than what our firm estimated. Skinner asked for a copy of their estimate to compare and contrast it to ours but has not received it yet. The consensus of the board was that if they were unwilling to negotiate or pay for the damages they caused, they will hand it over to the County Attorney for disposition and action. The paving is nearing completion and the shoulders will be completed this week with markings next week and an anticipated re-opening around the 23rd of September. The bridge project is on schedule and the beams are in place. Skinner also has received a insurance settlement for the salt shed roof and will be working to get it enclosed before inclement weather moves in.

Law Enforcement Update. Motion by Tye , second by Robinson to Approve payment to Prochaska & Associates in the amount of \$16,772.75 for professional services. Roll call: Amos, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Tye. No: None. Motion carried.

Under New Business:

At 9:30 a.m. the county farm bids were opened with the following bids received; Martin Farms for \$362.00 per acre, Mark Beedle for \$327.00 per acre, Randy Cooper for \$308.00 per acre, Dennis Bailey for \$244.00 per acre and Jason McCunn for \$235 per acre. Motion by Tye, second by Robinson to approve the highest bid to Martin Farms in the amount of \$362.00 per acre. Roll Call: Yes; Amos, Blue, Tye, Ratcliff, Robinson. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Robinson, second by Ratcliff to approve the property tax abatement of parcel 160301400013000 SE SE Parcel A. Roll call: Yes; Amos, Blue, Ratcliff, Robinson, Tye. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Tye, second by Ratcliff to approve the Clerk of Courts report of fees collected for August 2011 in the amount of \$1,649.81. Roll call: Yes; Robinson, Amos, Blue, Tye, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Blue, second by Robinson to set the date and time for a public hearing regarding Ordinance 2011-3 An Ordinance Exempting Certain Property From Taxation; to be held September 29, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. Roll call: Yes; Robinson, Blue, Tye, Amos, Ratcliff. No: None. Motion carried.

Agenda items discussed for next regular board meeting are canvass the local school election results.

Next special meeting will be the School Canvass on September 16, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Ratcliff, second by Robinson to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BRYANT AMOS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: TED SCHOONOVER
AUDITOR