

Stewart County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2023 – 4:30 PM

The Stewart County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on March 14, 2023. The meeting convened at 4:30 PM at the Stewart County Courthouse with Chairman Joseph B. Williams presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance – In unison

Roll Call

Commissioners in attendance:

Chairman Joseph B. Williams
Vice-Chair Arcola Scott
Commissioner Joe Lee Williams
Commissioner Tyrone Nelson

Commissioners not in attendance:

Commissioner Thomas Mayo

Other Staff in Attendance:

Mac Moye, County Manager
Carole Stewart, County Clerk
Binford Minter, County Attorney

Reading and Approval of Minutes – Vice-Chair Arcola Scott moved to approve February 7, 2023 Work Session meeting minutes and the February 14, 2023 Regular Session meeting minutes; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Chairman Joseph B. Williams asked for motion to add Reinstatement of Stewart County Planning/Zoning Board and the Stewart County Development Authority members to the agenda. Vice Chair Arcola Scott moved to amend the agenda to add reinstatement of members to the Stewart County Planning/Zoning Board and the Stewart County Development Board; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Public Appearances –

- A. **Edwina Turner** – Addressed the commission regarding improvements made to the Wims Center and provided proposed plan for future updates.

Administrative Matters –

- A. **Appointment to Stewart County Board of Health** – Vice Chair Arcola Scott moved to appoint Lisa Fort to the Stewart County Board of Health; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- B. **Appointment to Housing Authority** – Vice Chair Arcola Scott moved to appoint Dr. Shirley Perrymond to Housing Authority Board to complete term ending 8/31/2024, formerly held by Denise Otto; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and motion carried.
- C. **Reappointments to Stewart County Planning/Zoning Board and Stewart County Development Authority** – Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to reappoint Russell Henson, David Barrett, and Gregory Britton to the Stewart County Planning/Zoning

Board for terms ending February 2025; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and motion carried. Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to reappoint Bonnie Cannington, Sib Fort, and Bill Minick to terms ending March 2027, and Erik Vonk, William Hearon, Matt Holloway, and Rebecca Buchan to terms ending April 2026; seconded by Vice Chair Arcola Scott. All were in favor and motion carried.

→ **Commissioner Tom Mayo joined meeting at 4:50 PM**

Reports:

- A. Financial Report** – financial reports provided and reviewed.
- B. Road Superintendent** - Eugene Haynes presented the February 2023 report on the Road Department.
- C. Public Safety Director** – Chief Greg Stewart provided the February 2023 EMS report for Commission review.
- D. County Attorney** – County Attorney Bin Minter discussed legal topics pertinent to the county.
- E. County Manager** – Mac Moye provided his report on the county for February 15, 2023 – March 14, 2023. Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to use Utility Management Services, Inc to analyze power bills; seconded by Commissioner Tom Mayo. Chairman Joseph B. Williams, Commissioner Tyrone Nelson, Commissioner Joe Lee Williams, and Commissioner Tom Mayo voted in favor; Vice Chair Arcola Scott voted opposed. Motion carried by majority vote. Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to pay SOWEGA Engineering invoice for the EMS Headquarters Garage in the amount of \$33,750.00; seconded by Vice Chair Arcola Scott. Chairman Joseph B. Williams, Vice Chair Arcola Scott, Commissioner Joe Lee Williams, and Commissioner Tom Mayo voted in favor; Commissioner Tyrone Nelson voted opposed. Motion carried by majority vote.

Old Business:

- A. Decommissioning Renfroe Road** – Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to accept resolution to begin process for removing a portion of Renfroe Road from the County's road system; seconded by Commissioner Tom Mayo. All were in favor and motion carried.

New Business:

- A.** Commissioner Tom Mayo moved to ask for bids for the EMS Building; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and motion carried.

Commissioners' Comments:

Commissioner Thomas Mayo - none

Commissioner Joe Lee Williams – none

Commissioner Tyrone Nelson – Wims Center rental

Vice Chair Arcola Scott - none

Chairman Joseph B. Williams – none

Commissioner Joe Lee Williams moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Tyrone Nelson. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 PM.


Carole Stewart, County Clerk


Joseph B. Williams, Chairman