

**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CALLED MEETING
OCTOBER 29, 2013
MINUTES**

Highlands Mayor David Wilkes convened the joint meeting with the Macon County Board of Commissioners, the Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen and the Town of Highlands Board of Commissioners at 6:25 p.m. at Wolfgang's Restaurant & Wine Bistro at 474 Main Street in Highlands. All board members (with the exception of Chairman Corbin, the Interim County Manager, Finance Director and County Attorney were present. All of the Franklin aldermen, Mayor Joe Collins, Town Manager Warren Cabe and Assistant to the Manager Summer Woodard were present. All of the Highlands commissioners, Mayor David Wilkes and Town Manager Bob Frye were present.

Commissioner Beale gave the invocation.

Mayor Wilkes gave a brief update on Highlands matters, including the town's first annual hometown festival to be held November 2nd, work on a new swimming pool and other renovations to the town's recreation center. He also extended well wishes to all of the municipal candidates for the upcoming November 5th election.

Franklin Mayor Joe Collins reported that the town had just experienced its best Pumpkin Fest ever, and that the upcoming Window Wonderland activities had been extended to include two weekends. Town Manager Warren Cabe raised the issue of an extension of the lease agreement between the county and the town regarding the gazebo area, as the town is prepared to invest funds on renovations to that space.

Commissioner Beale provided a brief update on county issues, explaining that Chairman Corbin was unable to attend. He said the county had narrowed its search for a new county manager to "four great candidates."

He also noted that this week would mark the first full day of treatment at the new dialysis center. Commissioner Tate outlined plans for a communications firm to perform a study regarding the county's emergency radio capabilities.

Following the meal, Commissioner Beale and Commissioner Tate made presentations of gifts to Mayor Collins and Mayor Wilkes, both of whom chose not to seek re-election, and thanked them for their service to their respective municipalities.

With no other items, Mayor Wilkes adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Mike Decker, Interim County Manager
Clerk to the Board

Kevin Corbin
Board Chairman