

**Madison County
Commissioner Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2018**



Special Meeting

Attendees:

**Jon Weber, Chairman, Todd Smith and Brent Mendenhall Commissioners,
Troy Evans, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; Kim Muir, County Clerk; Mike Clements, Homeland
Security; Corey Child, Emergency Services, Adam Jacobs, Standard Journal**

The meeting began at 9:00 a.m. Pictures of the flooded areas in Madison County in the foothills area were emailed by Trevin Ricks. Mike Clements gave an explanation of the need to declare a state of emergency for this type of sheet flooding.

It was reported that the county has routine, normal run off where there is damage to the roads. On Wednesday of last week, Road and Bridge reported the runoff appears to be extraordinary and feels it is appropriate to declare an emergency. The County budgets for normal run off, but not for excessive run off. If state assistance is necessary to help cover these additional costs, a county declaration must be in place.

Mike Clements stated if we expend our financial responsibilities and need state assistance, approval in advance is required. Once approval is received from the State, we can begin spending the money. The governor probably won't help unless we have spent our allotted budget and can show that we have started doing repair work. Once we exceed our budget and it becomes a burden, we can enter into a cost share agreement with the State. The State can also provide hiring a state contractor or we could do the work and they would reimburse us for a percentage share. A week ago it was reported everything appeared to be a normal run off; but by Wednesday, it became evident it was getting worse than normal. If we were to have worse flooding in May, we would have to to another declaration as to proposed resolution is only good for 60 days.

Mitigation help could be available. Mike suggests putting culverts in now so the roads don't wash out, if we feel appropriate. Some of the current damage includes cutting into the sides of the road rather than across and washing them out. When asked the timeframe for approval Mike stated he can usually get us a verbal response within 24 hours, if the governor is in his office and can answer phone calls.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve and sign Resolution No.: 426 declaring a state of emergency for sheet flooding and run off in Madison County for the next 60 days. Commissioner Mendenhall seconded and voting was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Approved:
Jon O. Weber, Commission Chairman
Todd Smith, Commissioner
Brent Mendenhall, Commissioner