

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Chairman Hess called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission and all Commissioners were present. Don Hudson, newly appointed Commissioner for District 3, was welcomed. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted. Assistant County Engineer Michael Hosch gave an invocation.

The Commissioners approved the payment of warrants issued, to-wit:

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt the agenda, followed by a second from Commissioner Wilson. All Commissioners voted in favor of adopting the agenda.

“Ready Business” representatives, Amy Stone, from Quintard Mall, and Amy Anderson, from JSU Small Business Administration, discussed upcoming training at the Chamber of Commerce to help businesses prepare for disasters and emergencies. The “Ready Business” program is presented by the Chamber of Commerce, Quintard Mall, Calhoun County Citizen Corps, and Jacksonville State University.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

County Administrator Ken Joiner opened a single bid received for the purchase of a 2013 Ford F150 Pickup for use by staff of the License Commissioner’s office. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to award the bid to the only bidder, Sunny King Ford, following review and negotiation. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to proceed, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano, with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 61 Canyon Trail, Alexandria, owned by Pamela M. Pendleton. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended dismissing the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 5801 Woodchase Drive, Anniston, owned by Deidra A. Cottingham. Commissioner Hodges so moved, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to dismiss the abatement of a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, on property located at 4309 Wellborn Avenue, Anniston, owned by Dick Mays. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to proceed as recommended by Mr. Pirritano with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 117 Robanna Circle, Ohatchee, owned by Jill Yeager. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended dismissing the nuisance abatement of property located at 299 Starla Drive, Anniston, owned by Shawn and Bethany Carter. Commissioner Abbott so moved, Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, on property located at 478 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Clara Gaston. The owner's daughter, Connie Williams, was present to represent the owner and stated her mother has had surgery but is working on getting someone to clean up the property. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Abbott made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Wilson to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, on property located at 432 Silver Circle, Jacksonville, owned by Eric and Conie R. Waters. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, on property located at 4420 Lindale Drive, Anniston, owned by Charles N. and Margaret R. Thomas. Dennis Thomas, the son of the owners, advised the cleanup is almost completed. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, on property located at 3107 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Barnwell LLC. The owners were notified of the meeting but no one was present to represent the owners. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution to award the bid for financing heavy duty trucks, dump bodies, and tractors for the Calhoun County Highway Department to Regions Equipment Finance Corporation. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt the resolution, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to award the bid for financing heavy equipment for the Calhoun County Highway Department to Regions Equipment Finance Corporation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt a resolution to extend the contract for Grass Cutting and Maintenance for certain county facilities and properties for a period from March 1, 2013, through October 15, 2013. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to request the transfer or relicensing of certain Federal Communications Commission call signs from the Calhoun County Commission to the Alabama Regional Communications System (ARCS). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott, and there was a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution concerning acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$8,000 from the Alabama Department of Homeland Security for yearly maintenance of the Region 7 communications vehicle located at the Calhoun County EMA facility. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt the resolution, followed by a second from Commissioner Hudson. The resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to declare as surplus a 2005 Ford Explorer used by the License Department, and to offer the vehicle for sale through GovDeals.com. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hodges and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Hodges, the following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners, levying taxes for the ad valorem tax year commencing on October 1, 2012, also fixing license fees for the sale, storage and distribution of alcoholic beverages, and fixing other license, franchise and privilege taxes, and fixing certain permit fees and certain county privilege, license and excise taxes, and certain sales taxes and use taxes. (TAX LEVY RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with The Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama, to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 to assist with the construction of memorials to honor Alabamians killed in the line of duty while serving as law enforcement officers, firefighters, or in Iraq and Afghanistan. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to appoint Belinda York to represent District 3 on the Calhoun County Beautification Board. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to appoint Joey Urso to represent District 4 on the Calhoun County Water & Fire Protection Authority, for a six-year term to expire March 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hodges and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to re-appoint Ann Hooper to represent District 5 on the Calhoun County Water & Fire Protection Authority, for another six-year term to expire March 1, 2019. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hodges made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Abbott to appoint Commissioner Don Hudson to represent the County Commission on the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Local Board. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Mr. Joiner presented a contract with Butler Green Waste Management, Inc. to provide consultant services related to the County solid waste facilities and programs, at the rate of \$1,000 per month, beginning January 1, 2013, and ending October 31, 2014. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented an agreement with DataWorks Plus to provide maintenance and support for the LiveScan Plus Digital Fingerprint machine located at the Calhoun County Jail, for the term January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013, for the amount of \$7,900. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County, and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

An agreement with Business Systems, Inc., to provide maintenance for a Savin copier at the Calhoun County Highway Department was presented by Mr. Joiner. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Assistant County Engineer Michael Hosch presented seven Alabama Department of Transportation resolutions for bridge replacement projects as follows: (1) Brown Bridge Road, (2) Choctaw Street, (3) Verbos George road, (4) Gilbert's Ferry Road, (5) Grayton Road, (6) Steinburg Road, and (7) Wellington Road. Mr. Hosch advised these projects were accepted in the ATRIP Phase 2 round of funding. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt all seven resolutions. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (7 RESOLUTIONS ATTACHED)

Mr. Hosch presented an ALDOT resolution for a resurfacing project on Boiling Springs Road, also with ATRIP funding. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with West Anniston Foundation to provide funding in the amount of \$500 for programs to supplement and further the education of the youth of Calhoun County.

Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A resolution was presented by Mr. Joiner to provide for a \$25 adoption fee for the Calhoun County Animal Control services and programs. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Dr. David West announced an Arbor Day Celebration will be held on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, at Fred's parking lot in Golden Springs, with cherry trees and other seedlings to be distributed.

Willie Burnett asked for assistance from the Commission and the Engineering Department with the dangerous condition of a road in front of his house leading to the Industrial Waste Landfill. Mr. Hosch was asked to meet with Mr. Burnett after the meeting to discuss what can be done.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges to adjourn the meeting. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson, the meeting was adjourned with a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, February 28, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.