

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
MARCH 27, 2014

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order by Chairman Hodges and all Commissioners were present. 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 Hudson made a motion to adopt the agenda and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Following a second from Commissioner Abbott a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by County Administrator Ken Joiner, awarding the bids for Grass Cutting and Maintenance for certain county properties to D & A Lawn Care and Greens Keepers. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution to reject the bid received for the purchase of one or more 2008 or 2009 Ford Econoline Wagons, or equal. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adopt a resolution, as presented by Mr. Joiner, to award the bids for the purchase of 2014 Police Interceptors and F-150 Crewcab Pick Up Trucks to Sunny King Ford, as recommended by the Sheriff and the County Administrator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer Theodore Smart, on property located at 314 Mar-Sha Drive, Anniston, owned by Milton Phillip Murray. Mr. Murray was notified of the meeting but was not present. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to proceed as recommended by Mr. Smart with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 823 Vernon Drive, Anniston, owned by John Phillip Guess Sr., and Wilma D. Guess. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to proceed as recommended by Mr. Smart with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 908 Lloyd Street, Anniston, owned by Kitty M. Hughes. Ms. Hughes was notified of the meeting but was not present. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Abbott, there was a unanimous vote by the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Abbott to proceed as recommended by Mr. Smart with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 5520 Rogers Avenue, Anniston, owned by Dorothy J. Haggard. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Smart recommended dismissing the nuisance abatement on property located at 1323 Clairmont Drive, Weaver, owned by Betty Cantrell. Commissioner Hudson so moved, Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 505 Howe Street, Weaver, owned by Christopher J. & Kelly M. Smith. Mr. Smith was present and stated that the abandoned vehicles are being removed from the property. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 0 Old Downing Mill Road, Anniston, owned by Ponda S. Ferrara. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Smart recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 735 Bernard Couch Drive, Anniston, owned by James M. Kirby, Jr. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to proceed as recommended and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to declare a public nuisance as recommended by Mr. Smart on property located at 322 S. Marshall Street and 3000 Old Birmingham Hwy, Anniston, owned by Harold W. Winningham. 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)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to declare a public nuisance as recommended by Mr. Smart on property located at 1230 Wildoak Drive, Anniston, owned by Linda Ann Longwell. Shawn Vanvleck was present to represent the owner and stated he has cleaned up the property. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Bids were opened by Mr. Joiner for Grass Cutting and Maintenance for Alexandria Community Center. Bids were received from Bama Landscape, Greens Keepers Lawn Management, D&A Lawn Care, Cutting Edge Lawn Care, Leatherwood Landscape, and Oakwood Lawn Care & Landscaping. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to refer the bids to the County Administrator for review and a recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess, and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Joiner opened a single bid that was received from McGriff Tire Company for the purchase of New Tires (FY14-21). Commissioner Hudson made a motion, that was seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to refer the bid to the County Engineer for review, negotiation, and a recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt a resolution, as recommended by Mr. Joiner, awarding a bid for the purchase of heat pumps as follows: 3-Ton System to Wittichen Supply Co., 5-Ton System to Mingledorff's Inc., and 7.5 Ton System to Wittichen Supply Co. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to adopt a resolution, as recommended by Mr. Joiner, awarding a bid for the removal and installation of an HVAC Split Heat Pump Unit at the Calhoun County Jail to Laney Air Conditioning Co., Inc. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution declaring certain vehicles to be surplus property and donating the vehicles to the Calhoun County Civil Defense Group, as recommended by the EMA Director. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Calhoun Youth Ag Fund to provide funding in the amount of \$11,000 for the purchase of equipment necessary to use in the career development and agriculture events to be held in Calhoun County. Mr. Joiner advised the equipment will replace certain equipment that was stolen from the county facility and the loss was covered by the county's insurance. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Knox Concert Series, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$7,500 for advertising and conducting the 2013-2014 Knox Concert Series. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

The Chairman was authorized by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with N. E. Alabama Bicycle Association, to provide funding

in the amount of \$7,500 for advertising and expenses to promote the Noble Street Festival. Commissioner Hudson made the motion and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Anniston Runners Club, to provide funding in the amount of \$1,650 for advertising and conducting the Runs/Walks 2014. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to appoint the following individuals to serve on the Calhoun County Agricultural Center Oversight Board: Jonathan L. Grace, Douglas Trantham, Ronald Lewallen, B. Chad Curvin, and Lynn Ponder. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to re-appoint Brian Rosenbalm to continue serving as the Commissioners' representative on the Economic Development Council. This is a six-year term which will expire in April, 2020. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Hudson, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Wilson made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Hudson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Marine Corps League, Allan Ray Chaffin Detachment 1329, to provide funding in the amount of \$500 for the purchase of flags and necessary equipment to honor veterans. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with The Rimpsey Agency, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$8,500 to assist in providing a safe premises for the afterschool, daycare, summer and recreational programs and services of The Rimpsey Agency. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Hosch recommended adopting a resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation providing for the resurfacing of White's Gap Road SE, which is an MPO project with an 80/20 funding match. Commissioner Abbott so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION & AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Community Enabler Developer, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$1,000 for support of the programs and services of Community Enabler Developer, Inc. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott and there was a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Margaret Hatley and Lu Moseley addressed the Commissioners about their concerns with the lack of animal control in the county. They asked that animal control services be restored in the

county to control the escalating problem of overpopulation of stray animals. Discussion followed. The Chairman referred Ms. Hatley to Cheaha Animal Control. Tom Wright, a board member for Cheaha Animal Control, advised that injured, diseased, and vicious animals are being picked up according to their contract with Calhoun County.

Pat Austin advised that she was asked to care for horses that had been picked up by the county's animal control, and she had questions concerning expenses she has incurred. Commissioner Hess agreed to discuss this matter with her after the meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adjourn the meeting, followed by a second from Commissioner Wilson. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, April 10, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.