

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
MAY 22, 2008

Chairman Downing called the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission to order. Also attending were Commissioner Henderson, Commissioner Hess, and Commissioner Abbott. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted and Commissioner Hess gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Henderson made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Abbott, to adopt the agenda as presented. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Paul Brouillette, on behalf of the Disabled American Veterans, asked for the Commission's assistance in replacing a van used for the DAV volunteer transportation program. Mr. Brouillette was asked to submit a letter requesting funding to be considered in the next fiscal year's budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to award the bid for the purchase of Chain Link Fence Material to the only bidder, American Imperial Fence, as recommended by the County Engineer, and to authorize the Chairman to sign any and all documents relative to the bid award. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Henderson, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to award the bid for Crisis/Rescue Telephones for the Calhoun County EMA to Enforcement Technology Group, Inc. for two #DL-007-TR4 at \$23,499.99 each, and one #ETG-DL-850 at \$17,249.99, for a total award of \$64,249.97, as recommended by the EMA Director, and to authorize the Chairman to sign any and all documents relative to the bid award. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

The bid for the purchase of equipment for automobiles to be used by personnel of the Sheriff's Office was awarded to the overall lowest bidder, Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc., for all items of equipment except for the digital in-car video system. Commissioner Hess made a motion to award the bid to Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc. as recommended by the Sheriff, and to authorize the Chairman to sign any and all documents relative to the bid award. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Hess, to declare a public nuisance on property located at 1026 Patterson Street, Anniston, owned by Carl and Gwendolyn McCain, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano. The owners were not present. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson to declare a public nuisance on property located at 140 Old Coldwater Road, Anniston, owned by Nathaniel Yancey Cooper, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 0 Ingram Wells Road, Ohatchee, owned by J. E. Cooper, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, and seconded by Commissioner Abbott, to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 0 River Road and 0 North of County Road 73, Ohatchee, owned by Linda Robinson, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 0 Grayton Road, Ohatchee, owned by Oscar Jennings, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Pirritano recommended proceeding with the nuisance abatement on property located at 1011 Folsom Avenue, Anniston, owned by Lincoln Carter. The owner was not present. Commissioner Abbott so moved, Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Abbott, to dismiss the following nuisance abatements, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano: (1) 2250 AL Highway 144, Ohatchee, owned by Wade and Judith Pearce; (2) 0 Washington Heights, Anniston, owned by Leroy Cowden; and (3) 7153 Hwy 431, Alexandria, owned by Debra S. Hays. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

County Administrator Ken Joiner opened bids for an Inmate Telephone and Video Visitation Service for the Calhoun County Jail. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to refer the four bids received and opened to the Sheriff for review and a recommendation. Mr. Joiner noted that the four bidders had been represented at a mandatory pre-bid conference. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

Bids were opened by Mr. Joiner for Janitorial Services for the Highway Department Complex to be located at McClellan. A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to refer the six bids received and opened to the Calhoun County Engineer and County Administrator for review and a recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess, and seconded by Commissioner Henderson, to refer the five bids received and opened by Mr. Joiner for Public Nuisance Demolition (Rebid) to the County Administrator, County Attorney, and Environmental Enforcement Officer for careful review and a recommendation. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Hess, to appoint Kenneth Joiner as the county's delegate, and Commissioner Henderson as the alternate delegate, to the National Association of Counties 2008 Annual Conference, to be held in July in Kansas City, Missouri. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Interfaith Ministries, Inc. of Calhoun County, to provide for the lease of certain property in the Ayers Building for use as a public dental clinic to serve indigent residents of Calhoun County. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

A contract with the Calhoun County Sports Hall of Fame to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 was presented by Mr. Joiner. Mr. Joiner advised the funds would be used to promote tourism and advertising for the 2008 induction banquet. Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

County Attorney Tom Sowa presented a Frequency Reconfiguration Agreement between Calhoun County and Southern Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Southern LINC Wireless ("Southern"), and Nextel South Corp. ("Nextel"). Mr. Sowa advised the purpose of the agreement is to reconfigure the 800 MHz band to minimize harmful interference to public safety radio communications systems. Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the county, pending receipt of a letter of assurance from the consultant, Engineering Associates, Inc., stating there will be no loss in quality of service as a result of the change. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution concerning a tower and microwave dish at the new Calhoun County Highway Department Complex. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Bids were opened on April 22, 2008, for the construction of a Janney Furnace Civil War and Indian Artifact Museum and Interpretive Center in Ohatchee, and were referred to the architect for review and certification of compliance. Commissioner Abbott made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Henderson, to award the bid to the low bidder, J. F. Morgan, for the total bid amount of \$145,442.00, as recommended and certified by the architect, and to authorize the Chairman to sign any and all documents relative to the bid award. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt a resolution as read by Mr. Joiner consenting to the lease-purchase agreement for a sport utility vehicle to be used by the Calhoun County EMA, being with Ford Motor Credit Company rather than Sunny King Ford, as awarded on May 8, 2008. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, once it is in final form, with the Calhoun County Board of Education to relinquish the county's leasehold interest in certain property in Pleasant Valley, as presented by County Attorney Tom Sowa. Mr. Sowa advised that the agreement provides for sharing the cost of a fence and easement on the property. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

The Chairman was authorized by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present to sign a one-year extension of the contract to employ Jennifer Yates as Calhoun County Recycling and Waste Reduction Coordinator, effective June 16, 2008. The motion was made by Commissioner Hess and was seconded by Commissioner Abbott. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to waive a second reading and approve an ABC Board transfer application for a Lounge Retail Liquor – Class II (Package) license, submitted in the name of Alexandria Package Store, LLC, James F. Adams dba, located at 81 Big Valley Road, Suite D, Alexandria. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Joiner presented a HOME Investment Partnership Program Consortium Agreement among Calhoun County, the City of Anniston, the City of Jacksonville, the City of Piedmont, the City of Weaver, and the City of Hobson City, with the City of Anniston as the Lead Entity. Mr. Joiner advised that the Federal HOME Program will provide funds to carry out multi-year housing strategies through assistance to first-time homebuyers and existing homeowners, property acquisition, rehabilitation and new construction of housing, site improvements, tenant-based rental assistance, demolition, relocation expenses and other reasonable and necessary expenses related to the development of affordable housing. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, with the understanding that the county's share of the matching funds required by HUD would be \$48,887.42 (23%) for FY 2009, and that the county's share would be used in the unincorporated areas of the county. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

A resolution was presented by Mr. Joiner concerning a bid for the Monteith Amphitheatre Renovation, which was opened on May 15, 2008, with Forsyth Building Company, Inc. being the apparent low bidder. Chairman Downing advised that the project will be covered by a Small Business Administration grant and there will be no cost to the county. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, the resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. All Commissioners present voted to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, June 12, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.