

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
JANUARY 23, 2020

Chairman Hodges called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission and all Commissioners were present. County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

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

Environmental Programs Clerk Barbara Hardcastle recommended proceeding with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 706 AL Hwy 204, Jacksonville, owned by Fort McClellan Credit Union. No one was present to represent the owners. Commissioner Hess 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 Patterson to dismiss the public nuisance abatement, as recommended by Ms. Hardcastle, on property located at 1341 Dogwood Lane, Piedmont, owned by S. Franklin Murphy. There was a second to the motion from Commissioner Henderson and a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt a resolution as presented by Assistant County Administrator Melissia Wood to extend Calhoun County's participation in the ACCA Liability Fund through December 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Wood presented a contract modification to extend employment of Felecia B. Mullinax as Director of Operations – Calhoun County Sports Complex/Woodland Park for three years effective February 18, 2020, through February 17, 2023. There were no other changes to the original contract. Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT MODIFICATION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patterson and seconded by Commissioner Hess to authorize the Chairman to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with The Town of Ohatchee, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, to provide for the use of the Two of Ohatchee's kennel trailer, to assist with performing animal control services, in exchange for minor repairs and routine maintenance to the trailer. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (MOU ATTACHED)

Mr. Rosenbalm presented resolution to provide for an ALDOT project to resurface portions of Whites Gap Road located in District 2. This is an MPO project in partnership with the City of Jacksonville. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution, followed by a second to the motion from Commissioner Wilson. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Pam Howard expressed concern with the lack of broadband access throughout the state, particularly regarding the use of broadband devices instead of books in the schools. She encouraged support for broadband access in the area.

Tina Dunbar, of Piedmont, asked for assistance with getting the trash picked up along Roy Webb Road. She was referred to the Environmental Enforcement office.

Employees from the Chamber of Commerce reported on the following: Census Breakfast of Champions, Anniston de-annexation public meetings, and various upcoming tourism events. There was further discussion about ongoing activities at Woodland Park and the County Agri-Center.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned with a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, February 13, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.