

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
JUNE 23, 2022

Chairman Patterson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:00 a.m. and all Commissioners were present. Commissioner Shears gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the agenda, followed by a second to the motion from Commissioner Henderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Environmental Enforcement Manager, Reggie Stewart, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 1136 Rhodes Street, Anniston, owned by Randall & Tamela Robertson; (2) 614 Post Oak Road, Alexandria, owned by Pamela Phillips; (3) 2305 Roy Webb Cutoff Road, Jacksonville, owned by Justin & Rebecca McDaniel; (4) 413 Mountain Drive, Jacksonville, owned by Jennifer & Matthew Reaves; (5) 1312 Willett Street, Anniston, owned by William & Shirley Slaughter; and (6) 5512 Chandler Street, Anniston, owned by Rhonda Bence. Owners were properly notified of the meeting, but were not present and no one spoke on the behalf of the owners. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to proceed. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (6 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended dismissing the public nuisance abatement on the following properties: (1) 1001 Cherokee Trail, Anniston, owned by Kevin Humphries; (2) 1117 West 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Anniston, owned by William & Mariea Commons. Owners were properly notified of the meeting, but were not present and no one spoke on the behalf of the owners. Commissioner Shears made a motion to dismiss as recommended. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

County Administrator, Mr. Mark Tyner, presented a resolution to reject the bid that was received and opened on June 7, 2022, for County Batting Cage Facility, based on an error in the name submitted. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented a resolution to award the bid for Public Nuisance Demolition/Removal on multiple properties to Belle It Out Contracting and Wendy Thornton, based on the lowest responsive, responsible bid for each property. Properties 5, 8, 13, 16 & 17, awarded to Belle It Out Contracting. Properties 1, 3, 10, 12, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 27, awarded to Wendy Thornton. Properties 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 18 & 26 had no bids submitted. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented a contract extension with Diversified Maintenance – RWS, LLC, to provide Janitorial Services for the Calhoun County Highway Department Complex, for a third year beginning August 1, 2022. The contract amount will remain \$1,072.55 per month, as bid. Commissioner Shears made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (EXTENSION IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented an agreement and resolution concerning an application for a tax abatement submitted by Laser Fabrication. The company has announced plans for an expansion and has requested abatements on Sales, Use & Property Tax on the purchase of equipment at \$1,500,000.00. This is forecasted to add fifteen jobs to their operations. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Mr. Don Hopper addressed the Commission by thanking them for helping the company to continue to grow and to add jobs for the County. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION & AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented an agreement and resolution concerning an application for a tax abatement submitted by FabArc. The company has announced plans for an expansion and has requested abatements on Sales, Use & Property Tax on the purchase of land and equipment at \$2,000,000.00. This is forecasted to add fifteen jobs to their operations. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION & AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented the FY21 Audit Contract with the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts to conduct a financial audit of the County's Federal awards. The maximum cost of the audit shall not exceed \$16,168.00, with 80% to be paid upon execution of the contract and 20% at the completion of field work. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented an IAC Resolution for Sports Lighting utilizing ARPA revenue replacement funds to purchase lighting for sports fields at \$197,495.50 and parking lot lights at approximately \$6,000 for an approximate total of \$203,495.50. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. Commissioner Hess discussed how the sports fields at Woodland Park has brought in many out of state visitors and how these improvements will be beneficial to the success of the fields. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented a three-year extension of the office lease agreement with the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles for county property located at 21 W 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Anniston, Alabama, for the same rent amount of \$4,500 per month. This will extend through August 30, 2025. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Tyner presented a resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, letters of intent to purchase the following trucks and equipment in FY23: Eight Heavy Duty Dump Truck Chassis, Two Heavy Duty Low Boy Tractors, and Eight 16' Steel Dump Bodies, totaling \$1,482,928.00. Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to appoint Commissioner Lee Patterson to serve on the 2022-2023 ACCA Legislative Committee. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. Commissioners took a roll call vote. Motion carried by a majority voice vote by Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Shears, Commissioner Henderson and Commissioner Hess. Commissioner Lee Patterson abstained from the vote.

Mr. Christopher Abernathy, with the A.S.A.P. Foundation, thanked the Commission for their continued support and introduced Jessica Patterson, an intern for the Foundation.

Mr. Don Hopper commented on the recent Job Fair held in Oxford, saying there was a great turnout with over 40 Businesses participating.

Mr. Myles Chamblee, EMA Director, reported low Covid hospitalizations.

Mr. Rodney McCain, Calhoun County Engineer, elaborated on the annual purchase process of the Highway Department. The passing of the Intent to Purchase Equipment Resolution allows the Highway Department to purchase new vehicles on the State Bid Program yearly, and they are able to sell the current equipment, being a continual rotation of new equipment yearly with no out of pocket expenses of the Department.

Commissioner Shears spoke about the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony attended earlier today for Lake Yahou Park located on McClellan. He said the serene and beautiful landscape will be a great place for our citizens to visit and that the MDA will be selling fishing permits for \$5 to be able to fish at the Lake.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Henderson. All Commissioners present voted unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.