

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
MAY 2, 2011 – 2:00 P.M.

Chairman Dunn called the meeting to order and all Commissioners were present.

County Administrator Ken Joiner stated the purpose of the meeting was to take care of certain matters resulting from the tornado emergency.

Mr. Joiner recommended authorizing the Chairman to sign a contract for professional services with Lee Helms Associates, L.L.C., for management functions regarding the tornado disaster in Calhoun County, effective April 29, 2011. Mr. Joiner advised that Mr. Helms served many years as Director of the State EMA and is experienced and qualified to provide the emergency services and funding assistance required. Also, Mr. Joiner advised that fees paid to Mr. Helms will qualify for FEMA funding. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Lee Helms Associates, L.L.C., for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

Mr. Helms advised that proposals are being requested from numerous contractors for Disaster Debris Removal, Disposal and Reduction Services. Proposals will be received by the Calhoun County Commission until May 4, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., and a contract will be awarded as soon as possible. Discussion followed concerning the cleanup schedule, procedures for affected citizens to follow, federal and state funding assistance to citizens and governments, separation of debris, the number of passes by the contractor at each location, and the emergency declaration as of April 27, 2011.

Mr. Joiner advised that temporary employees will be hired to assist in monitoring the debris, and a training session will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. to train a limited number of these monitors. Also temporary employees will be hired to provide clerical assistance.

Richard Freeman, the Disabled American Veterans State Director, advised that all veterans will be provided assistance as needed.

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