

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
JUNE 9, 2005

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order by Chairman Hess and all Commissioners were present. Commissioner Abbott gave an invocation. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott and the minutes were adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

County Administrator Ken Joiner opened bids for a side mounted rotary cutter for use by the County Highway Department. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to refer the single bid received to the County Engineer for review and a recommendation. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Bids were opened by County Administrator Ken Joiner for equipment, work, and services for sirens, poles, and installation of poles and sirens, in connection with the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program. EMA Director Dan Long advised that the equipment and service is highly specialized and a good faith effort was made to accommodate any and all bidders. A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn to refer the single bid received to the EMA Director for review and a recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Henderson and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. As requested by Mr. Long, Commissioner Downing made a motion to authorize the EMA Director to negotiate a contract with the single bidder, McCord Communications, if it is determined that their bid is in compliance with the bid specifications. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in agreement.

Bids from Hale Building Company, Inc. and Forsyth Building Company, Inc. were opened by County Administrator Ken Joiner for repairs to the Waste Transfer Station (Re-Bid). Mr. Joiner advised that both bidders had attended the mandatory pre-bid conference. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to refer the bids to the County Administrator and Solid Waste Coordinator for review and a recommendation. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Downing, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a Memorandum of Understanding and Statements of Commitment from Service Providers for the implementation of the Alabama Unified Prevention System Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Grant, and requested ratification of the Chairman's signature dated June 2, 2005. Mr. Joiner advised there was no cost commitment involved with the agreement. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to ratify the Chairman's signature and Commissioner Downing seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (MOU ATTACHED)

Ohatchee Mayor Joseph Roberson, Town Councilwoman Celesia Kilgore, and senior volunteers Louise Coleman and Marie Guthrie expressed appreciation to the Commissioners, for their assistance in the Ohatchee area, particularly in regards to economic development in the area and plans for a senior citizen center. Mayor Roberson also presented an appreciation letter from the Ohatchee Town Council.

County Administrator Ken Joiner summarized the basis of the Revenue Commissioner's Report of Insolvencies, Errors and Taxes in Litigation for 2004 and Uncollected Insolvencies and Taxes in Litigation for Previous Years, and he recommended acceptance of the report. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to accept the Revenue Commissioner's report as submitted and to authorize the Chairman to sign the report on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (REPORT IN FILE)

Commissioner Downing made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by County Engineer Charles Markert, to accept right-of-way from Raymond A. Moody, Jr. and Cheryl P. Moody for a bridge project on Old Downing Mill Road. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Downing, and seconded by Commissioner Dunn, to approve Pine Hill Estates 7th Addition. County Engineer Charles Markert advised that the proposed subdivision has been reviewed and inspected by the Engineering Department and it meets the provisions of the subdivision regulations of Calhoun County. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

County Engineer Charles Markert recommended that Reneau Street Extension be accepted for maintenance by the Calhoun County Highway Department. Commissioner Dunn so moved, Commissioner Downing seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by County Engineer Charles Markert, to accept right-of-way from E&L L.L.C., a.k.a. Kinian K. Logan and Ashley Jerome Ellard, for improvements to Spring Branch Drive, Parcel I and Parcel II, and to accept the road for maintenance by the Calhoun County Highway Department. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn, and seconded by Commissioner Abbott, to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with McCord Communications for a closed circuit television system, to be located at the Calhoun County Emergency Operations Center, based on the bid awarded by the County Commission on April 14, 2005. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

There was no further business to come before the Commission and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting was announced for Thursday, June 23, 2005, at 10:00 a.m.