

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 23, 2023

Chairman Wilson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Henderson, Howell, and Patterson present. Pastor Emeritus, Dr. P.Q. English, of Greater Thankful Baptist Church gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Chairman Wilson recognized Black History Month and read aloud a proclamation for Mr. Herbert Palmore, who was not in attendance.

Commissioner Henderson motioned to adopt the agenda, followed by a second motion from Commissioner Howell. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

County Administrator, Mr. Mark Tyner, presented a second reading for an ABC Board Application for a license to sell 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor submitted by Goode BBQ LLC., d/b/a Ron's Goode BBQ, located at 8314 AL Highway 144, Alexandria, 36250. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to approve the application. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Reggie Stewart, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 306 Rice Avenue, Anniston, owned by Amy Joiner; (2) 2306 W. D Street, Anniston, owned by Andria Perry; and (3) 2253 Alexandria-Wellington Road, Anniston, owned by Gary Truitt. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to declare as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (3 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended dismissing the public nuisance abatement on the following property: (1) 2312 Jefferson Street, Anniston, owned by Diane Ireland. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to dismiss as recommended. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (1 RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 3109 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Joyce and Charles Champion c/o Michael Massa; (2) 331 Old Gadsden Highway, Anniston, owned by Truman Puckett; and (3) 189 Ledbetter Road, Anniston, owned by Nancy Cooper. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Henderson made a

motion to declare as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (3 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the bid for Rotary Recycle Baler to the sole bidder, Sequel Electrical Supply, for \$14,050.00. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an ADEM Recycling Grant Resolution to apply for a grant application for two pro-mesh trailers, one pro-tilt trailer, Rubbermaid recycling containers, and recycling labels for the approximate amount of \$45,000.00. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented the ADECA Surplus property representative and selector list as the County Administrator for the representative and Rodney McCain, Sheriff Wade, Chief Deputy Meeder, Eric Starr, and Captain Stone as the selectors. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to approve the Authorized representative and selectors. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (ADECA LETTER IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a six-month contract with VCA Animal Medical Center of Northeast Alabama to provide Calhoun County Animal Control veterinary services. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. Dr. Nelson from the VCA Animal Medical Center announced they are proud to partner with the County to provide much-needed animal services at Animal Control. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an ARPA agreement for professional services for Thankful Park Community Center Project to enlist architect services by Cal Munroe, Jr. Commissioner Howell made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. Chairman Wilson spoke about how this Community Center will house medical and dental offices. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an ARPA agreement for professional services for transfer station improvements to enlist architectural and management services by Scout. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an agreement with the Back Country Horsemen of America – McClellan Chapter for the County Commission to fund BCHA \$3,500.00 a month for utilities and management of the Camp McClellan Horse Trails. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. Commissioner Patterson thanked the Back Country Horsemen of America group for their hard

work at the Horse trails and for helping to promote the complex. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a Legislative Delegation Support Resolution that supports a request from the Sheriff for local legislation to fund vehicles and vehicle equipment for the Sheriff's Department in the form of a \$2.00 amount on each vehicle tag. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a recommendation for Jacksonville Police Chief Marcus Wood to fill the expired term of Mr. Herbert Palmore on the 911 Board, District 1 seat. This is a four-year term and will end on March 1, 2027. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Mr. Mark Tyner recommended reappointing retired Anniston Police Chief Shane Denham to the 911 Board, At-Large position. This is a four-year term and will end on March 1, 2027. Commissioner Howell made a motion to make the reappointment. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a recommendation for Mr. Curtis Maxwell to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Eric Stringer on the MDA Board, District 1. This term will end on March 1, 2024. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Mr. Mark Tyner recommended reappointing Mr. J.D. Hess to the MDA Board, District 3 seat. This is a three-year term and will end on March 1, 2026. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, thanked the Commission and the EMA office for helping get QR code information to the local hotels. These codes will be posted at hotels, restaurants, and other businesses for tourists and citizens to scan and get emergency information along with tourism information. In addition, the chamber has an active social media campaign, "Share the Love," that showcases different information for Calhoun County.

Dr. David West, the County Extension Coordinator, announced an Arbor Day tree giveaway tomorrow, February 24th, at Downey Drugs in Alexandria. In celebration, they will be handing out fruit trees. Also, this Saturday, February 26th, will be the last hog show for the season and will be hosted by Weaver FFA.

Mr. Jakob Williamson, Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Coordinator, invited the Commission to the "Policy on Tap" event at Hubbard's off Main on Tuesday, February 28th, with Senator Kelley speaking and giving a preview of what is coming in the upcoming legislative session. He also thanked Commissioner Patterson for attending the Public Affairs

Committee meeting held the previous day and sharing the Alabama County Commission Association legislative platform.

Ms. Marcia Yarbrough, County Commission employee, wanted to share her admiration for Dr. English, a staple in the community. She thanked the Commission for having him come to give the invocation. She also congratulated Mr. Palmore for the proclamation in his honor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Henderson and seconded by Commissioner Howell. The Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion by a voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.