

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
MARCH 9, 2023

Chairman Wilson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:01 a.m., and all Commissioners were present. Commissioner Lee Patterson gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the agenda, followed by a second motion from Commissioner Henderson. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Reggie Stewart, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 331 Old Gadsden Highway, Anniston, owned by Truman Puckett; and (2) 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 Patterson made a motion to proceed as recommended. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (2 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended dismissing the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 3109 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Joyce and Charles Champion, c/o Michael Massa; (2) 322 S. Marshall Street, Anniston, owned by Harold Winningham, c/o Greg Winningham; and (3) 3002 W. Jefferson Street, owned by Michael and James Dutton. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Shears made a motion to dismiss 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 declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 0 Madison Street, Anniston, owned by Nelson and Ida Jackson; (2) 409 Rice Avenue, Anniston, owned by Bruce Ogle; (3) 174 Warrior Circle, Ohatchee, owned by Robert and Angela Barclay; (4) 5400 Long Avenue, Anniston, owned by Jonas and Pamela Rissler; and (5) 1008 Mary Jane Drive, Anniston, owned by Gary Doss. 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 Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (5 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

County Administrator, Mr. Mark Tyner, presented a resolution to extend the Vehicle Maintenance & Repair bid with Drivers Choice and Alexandria Brake and Muffler Service, at no change in price, for a second one-year period. This extension is effective from April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to extend the Equipment for Sheriff Vehicles bid with Dana Safety Supply, at no change in price, for a second one-year period. This extension is effective April 14, 2023, through April 13, 2024. Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a Polling Place Change Resolution to relocate Beat 6, Box 1, from Friendship Baptist Church at 1153 Nesbit Lake Road, Jacksonville, AL, to the Tredegar Chapel Church at 1849 Nesbit Lake Road, Jacksonville, AL. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an agreement with Blue Cross Blue Shield Dental for one year, funded directly through employee contributions. Rates for family coverage dropped from \$78.06 last year to \$73.88 this year, and single coverage dropped from \$19.84 last year to \$18.78. Commissioner Howell made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a five-year agreement with Axon Enterprises to provide the Sheriff's Department with body cameras and video storage for \$206,912.47. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Chairman Wilson asked the men to stand as he acknowledged that yesterday was Women's Day and wanted to recognize the women in attendance.

Commissioner Howell spoke about attending the ribbon cutting for the new Anniston Regional Fire Training Center. This new center will benefit our area with the first-class training and the tourism it will bring as firefighters will be coming from outside our County. In addition, he announced that Animal Control recently had its first adoption event, and the next one is scheduled for March 25th.

Dr. Jose Reyes, Calhoun County School Superintendent, updated the Commission on local students' athletic accomplishments in both indoor track and wrestling. Several schools in the County finished well at these events. They still have several projects at different school properties; using the six million dollar bond they received to cover these projects. He thanked the Sheriff's Department for the help in obtaining the new K9 dog, named Quatro, which will help with safety within the schools.

Commissioner Shears invited everyone to the Calhoun County Career Academy Open House on March 22 from 4-6 p.m. This would be a fantastic event to see what programs the Academy offers our County students.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, spoke on the Worlds of Work's success this week. The event is a career expo that shows students in eighth to eleventh grades the different opportunities they have for careers locally. She thanked the Commission for hosting the

latest tourism stakeholder meeting at Janney Furnace. The Chambers is still working with the EMA on getting the QR codes ready to be placed in the local hotels before the Talladega Superspeedway race coming in April.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Henderson and seconded by Commissioner Howell. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion by a voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.