

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
January 25, 2024

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

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

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Kraig Mize, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 1032 Pipe Street, Anniston, owned by Belinda & Kimberly Dark; (2) 610 Old Coldwater Road, Anniston, owned by Rita Bowman c/o Tammy Groff; (3) 4810 Old Birmingham Hwy, Anniston, owned by Doral & Jerre Haynes; (4) 4900 Saks Road, Anniston, owned by Richard Barrett; (5) 6105 Autumn Trail, Anniston, owned by Penny Woodford; and (6) 260 Dawson Drive, Alexandria, owned by David Sikorski. 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 Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (6 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended approving invoices as shown in the itemized reports to be the cost of removal of public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 6008 Holly Trace, Anniston, owned by Deborah Davis, for \$226.00; (2) 1136 Rhodes Street, Anniston, owned by Randall & Tamela Robertson, for \$276.00; (3) 4108 Whiteside Avenue, Anniston, owned by Sherry Wright & Gabrielle Young, for \$376.00. The owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the invoices. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (3 RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 312 S. Hollingsworth Drive, Anniston, owned by Sam's Properties LLC.; (2) 1307 Russell Drive, Weaver, owned by Joel R. Bence; (3) 1504 Piedmont Jacksonville Road, Piedmont, owned by Rascoe & Donna Vinson; (4) 319 S Stebbins Street, Anniston, owned by Kay Craft; (5) 88 Church Street, Alexandria, owned by Joshua & Connie Starling; (6) 6238 Cane Creek Circle, Anniston, owned by Eugene & Kevin Mack; (7) 1023 Old Gadsden Hwy, Anniston, owned by Angels Lynch (Estate); (8) 1011 Folsom Avenue, Anniston, owned by Lincoln Carter (Estate); (9) 5815 Medders Street, Anniston, owned by Tina Ager. The owners were adequately notified of the meeting. Ms. Tandy Cain addressed the Commission, saying she represented Sam's Properties for the property at 312 S. Hollingsworth Drive and asked to speak to Mr. Mize after the meeting. Commissioner Henderson recommended to declare as recommended.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. (9 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Administrative Secretary Ms. Christi Ford presented a resolution to award the bid for Interceptor Tank Pump-Out Services to the sole bidder, Economy Septic Tank, for one year beginning January 25, 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)

Ms. Christi Ford presented a resolution amending the amount allocated to repair the Calhoun County Courthouse ceiling tiles. The resolution authorizes up to \$90,000.00 for this project. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford presented a resolution for the Jail Medical Unit Addition acknowledging 95% completion of the design phase for the Mental Health Medical Unit at the County Jail and authorizing JMR+H to proceed to the 100% level of the design phase. Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an ARPA Sub-recipient agreement with Calhoun County Water Authority for the Choccolocco Deepwater Well Transmission Line Project. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an ARPA Sub-recipient agreement with Calhoun County Water Authority for the Webster's Chapel Area Water Main Replacement Project. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an agreement with Jon Garlick, LPC, for Counseling Services for Prospective Law Enforcement. These services provide psychological evaluations for the Sheriff's Department at \$136 per hour, at least for one hour and no more than two hours each. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an agreement with Pitney Bowes for a new addressing system, a one-year agreement that can be renewed annually for up to 36 months. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an agreement with Pitney Bowes for a new mailing system; this is a one-year agreement and can be renewed annually for up to 60 months. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner

Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.
(RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford presented a Right-of-Way Acquisition to accept ROW for the vacated portion of the former US 431 in the unincorporated County. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the property transfer documents once in final form. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (DOCUMENT IN FILE)

Ms. Christi Ford presented an EMA Grant for \$70,000.00 with a 90/10 match to provide weather radios to residents. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign and accept this grant. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (DOCUMENT IN ATTACHED)

Ms. Christi Ford recommended appointing Mr. Gerry Lyons to represent the Commission on the MPO Citizens Advisory Committee to fill Rodney Cox's unexpired term, which will expire in August 2026. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Jakob Williamson, Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Coordinator, announced that on February 1, they will be hosting a dinner for citizens to hear about the Legislative Session from Senator Kelley and Representative Gidley. He also announced two candidate forums next month. Candidates for the Probate Judge position will be on February 27, and then on February 29, there will be a forum for the candidates running for the Calhoun County Board of Education.

Dr. Michael Barber, interim Superintendent of Jacksonville City Schools, wanted to introduce himself to the Commission formally and thanked the community for welcoming him.

Chairman Shears announced congratulations to the Jacksonville High School Boys' Basketball team on their win in the Calhoun County Basketball Tournament.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Howell and seconded by Commissioner Henderson. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion by a voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.