

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
April 11, 2024

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

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

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

Commissioner Howell 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 of the Commissioners present.

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Kraig Mize, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 2191 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Brian Wright & Jennifer Phipps; (2) 2211 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Katy A. Cooper; (3) 101 W. 35th Street, Anniston, owned by Corridor Gardens Intown LLC; (4) 640 Mountain Road, Ohatchee, owned by John W. Sr. and Melda L. Turner; (5) 914 Patterson Street, Anniston, owned by Pragmatic Invest LLC; (6) 51 Johnny Street, Anniston, owned by Sandra Evans; (7) 1201 W. 34th Street, Anniston, owned by Willie Hudson & Geniva Fincher; (8) 1119 Alexandria Rd SW, Jacksonville, owned by Billy D. and Regina Michelle Yates; (9) 931 Vaughn Street, Anniston, owned by End of the Road LLC; and (10) 1209 Louise Drive, Weaver, owned by Kerri L. Pruitt. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting, and the following representatives were present: Ms. Sandra Evans, for property #6 – 51 Johnny Street, Anniston, said they are cleaning up the nuisance and the property is being sold. Commissioner Howell made a motion to abate as recommended. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (10 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize, recommended dismissing public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 1405 Willet Street, Anniston, owned by Wesley & Jennifer Angel; (2) 1077 Gilberts Ferry Road, Gadsden, owned by Huey D. Woodard; (3) 2729 Simpson Street, Anniston, owned by Melvin Leigh; (4) 79 Sawyer Street, Anniston, owned by James & Mariah Riggins Joshua; (5) 2210 Miller Street, Oxford, owned by Bobby Woodrow; (6) 10 North Avenue, Anniston, owned by Renee Snyder & Dean Edward Jakiel; (7) 81 Seminole Trail, Ohatchee, owned by Clinton Dolin Sr.; (8) 97 Seminole Trail, Ohatchee, owned by Clinton Dolin Sr.; (9) 2305 Roy Webb Cutoff Road, Piedmont, owned by Justin Smith & Rebecca McDaniel; (10) 133 Glade Road W, Anniston, owned by John Escareno. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting, and the following representatives were present: Mr. John Escareno, for property #10 – 133 Glade Road W., Anniston, said he was completed with the nuisance on the property and appreciated Mr. Mize's help in this matter. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to dismiss as recommended. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present.

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 1014 W 32nd St, Anniston, owned by Kara L Smith; (2) 3428 Oak Ridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Caradine Summers; (3) 477 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Sammie Lee & Shirley Elston; (4) 812 S Hollingsworth Drive, Anniston, owned by Nancy A Rollins; (5) 814 S. Hollingsworth Drive, Anniston, owned by Rachel Juanita Haynes; (6) 904 W. 32nd Street, Anniston, owned by Mary Ann Odell Estate; (7) 731 S. Ledbetter Road, Anniston, owned by Carolyn Ann Presley; (8) 1640 Dripping Rock Road, Piedmont, owned by Angelika Sloan; and (9) 3519 Gurnee Avenue, Anniston, owned by Dominique Dupree. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Howell recommended declaring properties as recommended. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (9 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the Public Nuisance Removal/Demolition bid to the lowest, most responsive, and responsible bidders, Wendy Thornton and Belle It Out. Commissioner Wilson 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 resolution to award the Body/Collision Repairs to County Vehicles bid to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidders, Alexandria Body Shop. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an ARPA resolution for the Clark Road Water Main Project, allocating up to \$245,000.00 in coordination with Calhoun County Water Authority as the sub-recipient. Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a surplus property resolution to declare a Xerox copier assigned to the Appraisal Department as surplus and to be sold via GovDeals. Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a surplus property resolution to declare a 2021 Kubota mower assigned to the Highway Department as surplus and to be donated to the Pleasant Valley High School softball program. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. Commissioner Patterson stated this was an excellent thing and was happy that the Commission was able to help with the ball program. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a surplus property resolution to declare a 2016 Kubota mower assigned to the County Commission as surplus and to be sold via GovDeals. Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The

motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a MOU with McWhorter and Animal Control. This will allow improvements at the County's Animal Control facility, including fencing, a covered structure, and labor at no cost to the county. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. Commissioner Howell thanked McWhorter for their support and for donating to this project. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Chairman Shears opened the floor for public comments.

Ms. Chandy Gordon with the Agency for Substance Abuse Prevention announced National Drug Take Back Day on April 27. ASAP will be set up in four locations: Jacksonville, Anniston, Oxford, and Cleburne County, collecting unused or old prescription medications or needles.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, announced several events in our area this weekend: Historical walking tours in Oxford, Camp Lee 5k trail run, Noble Street Festival all day Saturday, and the Sunny King Criterium with cyclists from all over the nation participating. She also announced that the Chief Ladiga Landing extension groundbreaking will be next week, and the opening of Hess Grocery at the McClellan Horse Trails will be on Saturday.

Mr. Jakob Williamson, Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Coordinator, announced the State of Higher Education coming up on April 24 with Dr. Killingsworth and Dr. Murphy at the GSCC Ayers Campus.

Commissioner Howell announced that CASA's second annual No Excuse for Child Abuse Candle vigil will be next Wednesday, April 24, at 7 p.m. at Oxford's Veterans Park and encouraged everyone to attend.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Commissioner Wilson. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion by voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.