

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 8, 2007

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order by Chairman Dunn. Also attending were Commissioner Henderson, Commissioner Hess, and Commissioner Abbott. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted and Commissioner Henderson gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The agenda was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

The Wellborn Wrestling Team was recognized for winning the 1A-4A State Wrestling Championship for the second year in a row.

Pamela Lott, of Ohatchee, was presented a certificate of recognition by the Friends of Janney Furnace committee, making her an honorary member.

County Engineer Charles Markert announced that the Calhoun County Highway Department, and especially Brian Conary, received national recognition from BASF Chemical Company for the county's herbicide program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, and seconded by Commissioner Abbott, to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to award the bid for monthly telephone voice service for the Calhoun County Courthouse and Administration Building locations, to DeltaCom, as recommended by the Information Technology Manger James Poe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property of Allen and Charlotte Edwards, Case No. 1810-2006, located at 90 Huckleberry Lane, Anniston, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano. The owners were not present. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hess, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

The nuisance abatement on property of Willie J. Lee, Case No. 1775-2006, located at 1429 Montevallo Road, Weaver, was dismissed, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Commissioner Hess made the motion to dismiss, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A resolution was adopted to levy the cost, in the amount of \$1,096.03, for abating a nuisance on property of Joe E. Ethridge and Susan E. Ethridge, located at 321 Hubbard Circle, Anniston, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by Mr. Pirritano, to correct the specific items found to be a public nuisance on property of Arizona Harris Estate c/o Robert Wallace, located at 3407 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Bids were opened by County Administrator Ken Joiner for the removal of structures that have been declared by the Calhoun County Commission to be a public nuisance. Commissioner Hess made a motion to refer the bids to the County Administrator for review and a recommendation. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano recommended declaring a public nuisance on property of Trinna L. Zimmerman, Case No. 1868-2006, located at 2985 Parkwood Drive, Anniston. The owner was not present. Commissioner Henderson so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson to dismiss the nuisance declaration on property of William David Fleming, Case No. 1835-2006, located at 3431 Moore Avenue, Anniston, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

The nuisance declaration on property of Larry and Mary Smith, Case No. 1827-2006, located at 4218 Wellborn Avenue, Anniston, was continued until March 8, 2007, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Amber Hayes stated she is the tenant at the property in question and asked for a continuation. Commissioner Hess made a motion to continue the case as requested, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hess made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Henderson, to declare a public nuisance on property of Ricky James Allen, Case No. 1908-2006, located at 3128 Anita Avenue, Anniston, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a memorandum agreement between the City of Piedmont and Calhoun County authorizing the transfer of a cargo trailer, purchased by Calhoun County with grant funds through the Alabama Department of Homeland Security, to the City of Piedmont for use in their Emergency Response Program. Commissioner Henderson made a

motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

A resolution was presented by Mr. Joiner concerning the merger of Regions Bank and AmSouth Bank to form Regions Morgan Keegan Trust. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Children's Services, Inc. for funding in the amount of \$31,000, to be used to pay operating expenses of the Parris Home, which provides emergency shelter for children. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott, and seconded by Commissioner Henderson, to adopt a resolution declaring certain equipment to be surplus property. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a request from Roscoe Shipman for approval to locate a private family cemetery on property off of Highway 21, outside of Jacksonville. Mr. Joiner advised that the Calhoun County Health Department has inspected the site and recommends approving the request of Mr. Shipman. Commissioner Hess made a motion to approve the request. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, the Commissioners present voted unanimously to approve the location of a Shipman Family Cemetery. (LICENSE IN FILE)

A resolution to extend the performance period for the inter-agency agreement with the Department of Homeland Security, Center for Domestic Preparedness, was presented by County Administrator Ken Joiner. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, the resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Two resolutions were presented by County Administrator Ken Joiner concerning financing agreements with BancorpSouth Equipment Finance, for the purchase of eight Mack dump trucks, 2 Mack tractors, and miscellaneous heavy equipment for the Calhoun County Highway Department. Mr. Joiner asked that the resolutions be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to finalize the transactions. Commissioner Hess so moved, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and a vote of the Commissioners present was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTIONS ATTACHED)

As recommended by County Attorney Tom Sowa, and upon motion duly made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Abbott, the following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners present, levying taxes for the ad valorem tax year commencing on October 1, 2006, also fixing license fees for the sale, storage and distribution of alcoholic beverages, and fixing other license, franchise and privilege taxes, and fixing certain

permit fees and certain county privilege, license and excise taxes, and certain sales taxes and use taxes. (TAX LEVY RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Jack Plunk, Principal Planner with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission, advised that the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is accepting public comments regarding its draft update to the MPO's Public Involvement Procedures for Transportation Planning, and that the MPO has scheduled a public meeting on February 21, 2007, to answer questions and solicit public comments concerning the plan. Mr. Plunk also presented information concerning the importance of access management. Funding for the Eastern Bypass and Bynum Leatherwood Road improvement was discussed, including the feasibility of a 1¢ countywide sales tax and a toll road.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, February 22, 2007, at 10:00 a.m.