

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 28, 2008

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order by the Chairman, with all Commissioners in attendance. The Chairman asked for bids to be submitted and then he gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented, followed by a second from Commissioner Hess. The agenda was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Chief Deputy Matthew Wade presented a one-year anniversary update of the Substance Abuse Center program. He advised that to date 92 clients have been enrolled and 51 have graduated. He also stated that only 9 have returned, which is less than the national average. He discussed the train construction project for area parks, GED program through LINC, community service/work release program, GPS monitoring of clients, and cost savings to the county.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess, and seconded by Commissioner Henderson, to continue until May 8, 2008, the nuisance abatement on property located at 2601 Paul Street, Anniston, owned by Wendall and Kalentan Williams, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano. The owners were not present. All Commissioners present voted to continue the abatement for sixty days.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 302 S. Stebbins Street, Anniston, owned by Ronald and Barbara Bagley, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

The nuisance abatement on property located at 1025 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Anniston, owned by Deborah Henderson, was dismissed. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, and Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

The bid for portable light towers for the Calhoun County Emergency Management Agency was awarded to the overall low bidder, United Rentals, for the bid amount of \$7,085.00 per tower, as recommended by the EMA Director. Commissioner Hess made a motion to award the bid, Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to award the bid for the purchase of 2008 Crew Cab Pickup Trucks to Larry Puckett Chevrolet, Inc., for the bid amount of \$29,620.85 each, as recommended by the Sheriff. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt

the resolution as presented and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. The resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Two bids were received and opened by Mr. Joiner for the purchase of chain-link fencing for the Calhoun County Engineering Department. A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Piedmont Fencing, LLC, subject to review and approval of the County Administrator. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Bids were opened by Mr. Joiner for the purchase of tablet computers for the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to refer the seven responses to the Sheriff for review and a recommendation. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Dunn, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Joiner opened bids received for replacement of the heat pump package unit that services the Calhoun County Sheriff's Work Center building. A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott, and seconded by Commissioner Hess, to refer the five bids received to the Sheriff for review and a recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Bids were opened by Mr. Joiner for the removal of structures that have been declared by the County Commission to be a public nuisance. Commissioner Hess made a motion to refer the two bids received and opened to the County Administrator and Environmental Enforcement Officer for review and a recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Joiner opened two bids received, one of which was a no bid, for the purchase of one or more VRM 850 vehicular radio modem for the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to refer the bid to the Sheriff and County Administrator for review and a recommendation. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hess, all Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to declare a public nuisance on property located at 0 Ingram Wells Road, Ohatchee, owned by J. E. Cooper, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Dunn, the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, and seconded by Commissioner Hess, to adopt a resolution concerning a DOT agreement for an MPO bridge replacement project on County Road 81 (Eulaton Road), as recommended by County Engineer Charles Markert. All Commissioners voted in favor of adopting the resolution. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by Mr. Joiner, for the acquisition of property from the Saks Civic Club, Inc., for the purchase price of \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION & DEED ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn to reappoint Kenneth L. Joiner to represent the County Commission on the Economic Development Council, for a six-year term beginning April, 2008. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract extension with Isaiah Evans for employment as Calhoun County Park and Recreation Director, on a month-to-month basis, beginning March 18, 2008, at the rate of \$7,000.00 per year (\$583.33 per month). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn to authorize the Chairman to sign an 800 MHz maintenance contract renewal with Motorola, in the amount of \$1,096,062.12, for the period of March 1, 2008, through February 28, 2009, as recommended by County EMA Director Dan Long. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hess, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented an agreement with the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts for an audit of the federal assistance received by the Calhoun County Commission. Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

Benjy Buckelew and Stephanie Finch requested assistance with drainage and sewage problems on their property in Ohatchee. County Engineer Charles Markert was asked to consult with the Health Department to resolve the problems.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Following a second by Commissioner Dunn, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, March 13, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.