

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
APRIL 23, 2009

Chairman Hess called the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission to order and all Commissioners were present. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted. Jeremy Ford, Youth Minister at First Baptist Church of Saks, gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt the agenda and Commissioner Downing seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The Commissioners presented a proclamation to Alvin E. Gibbs, former Commissioner of Licenses, officially naming the Piedmont County Annex as The Alvin E. Gibbs County Annex Building.

Regan Robertson and Zachary Lee, 7th grade students at Oxford Middle School, were presented certificates of recognition for receiving State and National recognition from the Duke University Talent Search Program.

A certificate was presented to Lauren O'Dell, a 5th grade student at Wellborn Elementary School, in recognition for saving a choking friend by using the Heimlich maneuver.

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to declare May 3-9, 2009, as County Government Week in Calhoun County.

Commissioner Abbott, on behalf of all Commissioners, commended retired and senior volunteers in Calhoun County in recognition of National Volunteer Week.

The Chairman announced that the Commission has declared April 2009 as Fair Housing Month in Calhoun County.

Jacksonville State University Softball Coach Jana McGinnis, and assistant coaches, Mark Wisener and Julie Boland, presented jerseys to the Commissioners to show their appreciation for the Commissioners' support for JSU Softball, and for helping them to acquire a new scoreboard. The coaches were commended for their leadership and success, both on and off the field.

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Downing made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Dunn, to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 6305 Gunter Street, Anniston, owned by William C. and Ellen W. Daniel, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Downing to proceed with the nuisance abatement on property located at 203 N. Ledbetter Street, Anniston, owned by Catherine A. Odell, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Dunn, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended dismissing the nuisance abatement on property located at 900 and 903 Carter Street, Anniston, owned by Jimmy L. and Nellie Marie Matson. Commissioner Downing so moved, Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Downing made a motion to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 2724 Newborn Street, Anniston, owned by William Freeman, Jr., as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Downing, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

An invoice in the amount of \$7,040 was presented by Mr. Pirritano for the cost of removing a public nuisance on property located at 0 AL Hwy 204, Jacksonville, owned by S. J. and S. Jean McDonald. The owners were not present. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt a resolution to approve the invoice as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, and Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

County Administrator Ken Joiner opened bids received for a Pony Truss Bridge. Bids were received from Contech Construction, U. S. Bridge, and Echo Bridge, Inc. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to refer the three bids received to the County Engineer for review and a recommendation. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt a resolution, as read by Mr. Joiner, to extend a contract with Auto Electric & Carburetor Company, Inc., d/b/a Southern Distributors of Boaz, for CSEPP 800 MHz Siren Batteries. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson to appoint Mr. Lynn Smith, 66 W. Manor Lane, Alexandria, Alabama 36250, to represent the Commission on the Calhoun County Mental Health Board, Inc., for a six-year term to expire April, 2015. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Downing made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Better Environmental Solutions, Brett Hulsey, President and Founder, to help Calhoun County in the development of a grant request to assess energy use, create a Green Jobs program, and increase renewable energy production and energy efficiency to reduce costs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Abbott and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a temporary contract with the City of Heflin to provide for animal control services at the Calhoun County Animal Control Center, effective June 1, 2009, for six months at the rate of \$700 per month. Commissioner Downing made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with the City of Heflin and Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

A contract with the Calhoun County Sports Hall of Fame to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 was presented by Mr. Joiner. Mr. Joiner advised the funds would be used to promote tourism and advertising for the 2009 induction banquet. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Five task order resolutions for work being performed by various contractors at McClellan were presented by Mr. Joiner, as follows: (1) USA Environmental Inc. – total amended cost of \$480,898; (2) L.I. Smith & Associates, Inc. – total amended cost of \$17,100; (3) L.I. Smith & Associates, Inc. – total cost of \$53,559; (4) PIKA International Inc. – total cost not-to-exceed \$600,000; and (5) PIKA International Inc. – total amended cost not-to-exceed \$1,122,237.09. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt resolutions to ratify Mr. Joiner's signature on the five task orders. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (5 TASK ORDER RESOLUTIONS ATTACHED)

County Attorney Tom Sowa presented an agreement with the Anniston Council on the Arts and Humanities, Inc. to provide funding for Music at McClellan. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement and Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Downing to adjourn the meeting, followed by a second by Commissioner Dunn. The meeting was adjourned with a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, May 14, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.