

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

Chairman Henderson called the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission to order and all Commissioners were present. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted and that everyone sign a sheet being circulated for a public hearing. There was a moment of silence in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, followed with an invocation by County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm.

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

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hodges, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Special commendations were given to all local law enforcement agencies in recognition of the organized effort to capture the suspect who shot and killed Anniston Police Officer Justin Sollohub. A standing ovation was given to the law-enforcement representatives in attendance: Anniston Police Chief Layton McGrady, Lt. Richard Smith, and Lt. Shane Denham; Oxford Police Lt. Chip Owen; and Alabama State Trooper Lt. Allan Battles. Chairman Henderson announced that Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, has been declared by the Calhoun County Commission to be Law Enforcement Appreciation Day in Calhoun County, and all law enforcement personnel are invited to a barbeque lunch at the Calhoun County Administration Building.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

County Administrator Ken Joiner conducted a public hearing concerning the renewal of an agreement for residential solid waste collection and disposal, and renewal of an agreement for solid waste hauling and disposal. Mr. Joiner advised the hearing had been properly advertised, and no comments had been received by mail or telephone. No one in attendance asked to be heard. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to close the public hearing and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent of Education Joe Dyar was recognized. He expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners for partnering with the schools to provide the school resource officers. Discussion followed concerning the benefits of these officers.

Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano recommended proceeding with the nuisance abatement of property located at 11800 AL Hwy 9, Piedmont, owned by Frances L. Easterwood and Jacob Hendrix. Mrs. Easterwood was present and asked for assistance. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to proceed with the abatement and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. Commissioner Hess offered to help Mrs. Easterwood seek assistance. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to dismiss the nuisance abatement of property located at 305 Russell Avenue Rear, Anniston, owned by Johnny Gene and Yvette Rene Summers, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to continue until December 8, 2011, the nuisance abatement of property located at 7 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Anniston, owned by Shady Grove Investment Group Inc., as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to declare a public nuisance on property located at 3601 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Janie Odom Hicks, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 0 Jamback Road, Anniston, owned by Golden Family Trust. No one was present to represent the owners. Commissioner Hodges so moved, Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to declare a public nuisance on property located at 5125 Arrow Street, Anniston, owned by Anthony B. Wharton and Carole F. Vaughn, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to continue until December 8, 2011, a public nuisance declaration on property located at 5402 Rogers Avenue, Anniston, owned by Jimmy Parker, Jr., as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Mr. Parker was present and advised that he is waiting on payment by his insurance company. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Mr. Joiner opened the only bid received for a Calhoun County Emergency Operations Center 800 Megahertz Master Prime Site Redundant Emergency Power System Project, which provides for the design and installation of a generator, construction of a concrete foundation, and installation of a fence to limit access to the generator. Commissioner Hess made a motion to award the bid to the only bidder, Acker Electric Company, Inc., subject to review and approval by the County Administrator and EMA/911 Director, and to negotiate with the only bidder for the lowest cost. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to extend the contract with Rite Way Services, Inc., to provide janitorial services for the Calhoun County Courthouse, for one year, in the amount of \$3,360.67 per month, commencing October 1, 2011.

Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to adopt a resolution as read by Mr. Joiner to renew the agreement with Veolia ES Waste Services Southeast, Inc., for solid waste collection and disposal in Calhoun County for three years from October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2014, with all terms and provisions remaining the same as last provided. The motion carried by a vote of the Commissioners as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Dunn, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hess, and Commissioner Abbott; Abstained – Chairman Henderson. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution to amend the 2011 CSEPP Budget as recommended by the EMA Operations Manager as follows: 688 – Closeout Contract Support = +\$1,000; 675 – CSEPP Salaries for FY12 = +\$20,000; and 676 – CSEPP Benefits for FY12 = +\$6,000. Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt the resolution, Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to approve and ratify the Certification of Milestone Acceptance Form for the Motorola 800 Repeater Radio System, signed by Chairman James Eli Henderson, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, on August 29, 2011. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott and seconded by Commissioner Hess to approve and ratify the application for the Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program, through the Alabama Department of Homeland Security, signed by Chairman James A. Dunn, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, on August 26, 2011. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Jacksonville State University, to provide funding in the amount of \$3,000 for uniforms and equipment for the JSU girls softball team. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

A task order resolution for work being performed by Harmon Engineering in the amount of up to \$328,658 was presented by Mr. Joiner. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt the resolution to ratify Mr. Joiner's signature on the task order. Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution, as requested by Kevin Jenkins, Communications Director for the newly created Alabama Regional Communication System, to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Motorola for the purchase of certain microwave equipment to serve the 800 MHz radio system for Calhoun and Talladega counties. Following comments from elected officials and citizens in attendance concerning the value of the 800 MHz radio system, Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Motorola, for and on

behalf of Calhoun County, in an amount not to exceed \$910,000, once the agreement is in final form as determined by the county attorneys. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess, and seconded by Commissioner Dunn, to adjourn the meeting. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, September 22, 2011, at 10:00 a.m.