

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
MAY 8, 2014

Chairman Hodges called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission and all Commissioners were present. The Chairman asked that bids be submitted. County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm gave an invocation.

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

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

The Commissioners recognized Saks Elementary School and Principal, Crystal Sparks, for progressive and innovative improvements in academic achievements. Also recognized was Weaver High School and Principal, Mike Allison, for being named a 2013 CLAS Banner School by the Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools. County School Superintendent Joe Dyar commended both principals for their accomplishments and excellent service.

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hudson, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Environmental Enforcement Officer Theodore Smart presented an invoice in the amount of \$4,434.40, as shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 0 AL Hwy 202, Anniston, owned by Lena B. Yeatman. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the invoice. Commissioner Hudson 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 Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Hess to approve an invoice that was presented by Mr. Smart, in the amount of \$484.40, as shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 3109 Old Birmingham Hwy, Anniston, owned by Paul H. Yeatman. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to approve an invoice, as recommended by Mr. Smart, in the amount of \$524.40, as shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 901 West 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Anniston, owned by Doreen Holley Pepper. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Smart recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 4502 Bryan Avenue, Anniston, owned by Pamela Hill. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present.

Commissioner Hudson so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to dismiss the public nuisance declaration, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 625 Inglewood Drive, Anniston, owned by Charlotte Jo Tillitt. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 107 & 0 Wayside Drive, Anniston, owned by Clifton R. and Annie Ruth Dill. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Hess all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Smart recommended continuing until July 10, 2014, the public nuisance declaration on property located at 898 Virginia Avenue North, Anniston, owned by Linda G. Cofield. Commissioner Hudson so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 746 White Plains Road, Anniston, owned by Michael and Phyllis Morris. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hudson and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Bids were received and opened by Mr. Joiner for the removal of specified items from properties that have been declared to be a public nuisance. Bids were received from Teague Hauling and Demolition LLC, EMC Excavation Contractors, and Westbrook Grading LLC. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to refer the bids to the County Administrator and Mr. Smart for review and a recommendation. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to authorize the Chairman to sign letters of intent to purchase certain equipment for the Calhoun County Highway Department in FY15. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign for and on behalf of Calhoun County a real estate lease with option to purchase certain property located in the vicinity of the intersection of Bynum-Leatherwood Road and Old Gadsden Highway in Calhoun County, once in final form. County Attorney Tom Sowa advised that the property contains 50+ acres and is owned by Robert Pope and wife, Bernice M. Pope. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (LEASE IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Special Kids

Fishing Classic Inc. to provide funding in the amount of \$1,000 for supplies for a fishing event held on May 1, 2014. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Hess, Commissioner Abbott, and Chairman Hodges; Abstained – Commissioner Hudson. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented Amendment Number Three to the Agreement Between Calhoun County and the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$1,000 for the promotion and advertisement of Calhoun County Memorial Day events. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County with the Anniston Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #4, Inc. to provide funding in the amount of \$1,500 for the Calhoun Women Behind the Badge to use to provide assistance to local law enforcement agencies for recreational or social programs. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Wilson, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Ken Funderburk, with Merchant Capital LLC, summarized the refinancing of certain General Obligation Warrants for Calhoun County in order to reduce interest payments from 4.27% to 3.2%, for a net savings to the county of approximately \$214,000. Kane Burnette, with Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP, presented for consideration a resolution and order authorizing and providing for the issuance of a \$3,555,000 General Obligation Warrant of Calhoun County, Alabama. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt the resolution followed by a second from Commissioner Abbott. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Burnette also presented for consideration a resolution and order authorizing and providing for the issuance of a \$1,080,000 Taxable General Obligation Warrant of Calhoun County, Alabama. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner to declare certain equipment from the Calhoun County Landfill to be surplus and to offer the equipment for sale through a competitive bid process. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, May 22, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.