

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
May 28, 2026

Chairman Patterson called the Calhoun County Commission meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Wilson, Shears, Henderson, and Patterson present. Commissioner Wilson delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioner Henderson motioned to adopt the agenda, followed by a second motion from Commissioner Shears. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present.

Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present.

Environmental Programs Manager Mr. Kraig Mize recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatement for the following properties: (1) 303 Smith Street, Anniston, owned by Coldwater Mountain LLC; (2) 1101 Whites Gap Road, Jacksonville, owned by Rose Marie Muncher, Sherry Cook, and Garry Bain c/o Marie Bain (L/E); (3) 1077 Gilbert Ferry Road, Gadsden, owned by Huey Woodard; and (4) 189 Ledbetter Road 225, Anniston, owned by Wesley M. Frye & Nancy Cooper. The property owners were notified of the meeting. Mr. Kenneth Free, owner of property #1 at 303 Smith Street, stated that all vehicles had been removed from the property, but further renovations must wait until probate is complete. Mr. Huey Woodard, owner of property #3 at 1077 Gilbert Ferry Road, said he is working to clear the nuisances. Mr. Anthony Rich, representing property #4 at 189 Ledbetter Road, stated that renters had damaged the property, but cleanup is underway. Mr. Mize offered to meet with all representatives after the meeting to discuss the properties. Commissioner Shears moved to dismiss property #1, 303 Smith Street, and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of all Commissioners present. Commissioner Shears then moved to adopt the resolutions for properties #2, #3, and #4, with Commissioner Wilson again seconding. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of all Commissioners present. (3 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Mize recommended dismissing public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 2211 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Katy Cooper c/o Brian Wright & Jennifer Phipps; (2) 2191 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Brian & Jennifer Wright; (3) 595 Hutto Hill, Anniston, owned by Thelma C. Britt; and (4) 23596 AL Hwy 9, Piedmont, owned by Randall L. & Freida Christopher. The owners were notified of the meeting, but no representatives were present. Commissioner Henderson motioned to adopt the resolutions of dismissal, which was seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present.

Mr. Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 519 Dagon Drive, Anniston, owned by Windell Orand & Frances Ann (Estates); (2) 918 Gate 8 Road, Anniston, owned by Kie Tillitt; (3) 0 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Harold Goodman; (4) 0 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Terrance Goodman & Mary Dean c/o Jarvis D.

Goodman; (5) 7 W 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Anniston, owned by Christopher Staples; and (6) 0 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Billy Joe, Gauldin Vaughn & Bobby Joe. The owners were notified of the meeting. Mr. Harold Goodman, owner of property #3 and representative for property #4 at 0 Morrisville Road, stated that one lot had been cleared and that he and his family were working to hire someone to clear the other. Mr. Mize offered to meet with him after the meeting to discuss the property. Commissioner Henderson motioned to declare properties as recommended. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (6 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented a resolution declaring a Skid Steer and Dump Truck from the Landfill Department as surplus. Commissioner Henderson moved to adopt the resolution, and Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution declaring a Fireproof Safe from the Commissioner of Licenses as surplus. Commissioner Henderson moved to adopt the resolution, and Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution approving an agreement with ALDOT for resurfacing on Old Gadsden Highway project. Commissioner Shears moved to adopt the resolution, and Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented the 2025 Memorandum of Participation (MOP) for full valuation of the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB). This will be performed by Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC. Commissioner Shears made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the memorandum, for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to grant Blastcrete Equipment, LLC, a five-year tax abatement. Commissioner Henderson moved to adopt the resolution, and Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. Mr. Don Hopper, Director of the Economic Development Council, stated that the abatement would support a two-million-dollar expansion by the company. Mr. Scott Knighton, co-CEO of Blastcrete, thanked the Commission, noting that the abatement would help create jobs in the area. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Chairman Patterson opened the floor for public comments.

Mr. Richard Rybka of Coosa Riverkeeper thanked the Commission for its support and reminded attendees that the fishing clinic, with partnership of ASAP, is scheduled for June 6.

Mr. Johnny Warren commented on the County Highway Department's customer service, noting that he had called with a complaint and was impressed by the prompt response.

Judge Shannon Page thanked the Commission for the recent upgrades to the Courthouse

Ms. Cher Dulaney and Ms. Loida Carter of the America250 Calhoun County Committee presented the Commission with a framed keepsake commemorating Liberty at the Landing. Ms. Dulaney also announced several upcoming countywide events leading up to the America250 holiday.

Commissioner Henderson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Shears. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of all Commissioners present. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.