

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
APRIL 24, 2014

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order by Chairman Hodges and all Commissioners were present. County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm gave an invocation.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Abbott to adopt the agenda, followed by a second to the motion by Commissioner Hess. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hudson presented a resolution on behalf of the Commissioners to Junior Wallace, Past President, and Gary Vice, Recruiting Membership Chairman, for the Alabama Federation of Retired Federal Employees, proclaiming the week of May 4-10, 2014, as Public Service Recognition Week in Calhoun County.

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

Environmental Enforcement Officer Theodore Smart recommended dismissing the nuisance abatement of property located at 908 Lloyd Street, Anniston, owned by Kitty M. Hughes. Commissioner Abbott so moved, Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion, and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to dismiss, as recommended by Mr. Smart, the nuisance abatement on property located at 0 Harris Street, Jacksonville, owned by Danny L. and Carla Beth Maddox. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to dismiss, as recommended by Mr. Smart, the nuisance abatement on property located at 800 N. Hunter Street, Anniston, owned by Teresa Angle Lloyd. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Abbott, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Smart presented an invoice in the amount of \$874.40, as shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 4439 Saks Road, Anniston, owned by Richard's Alabama Land & Investments Co. The owner was notified of the meeting but no one was present to represent the owner. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the invoice. 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 Hudson and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to approve an invoice, as recommended by Mr. Smart, in the amount of \$284.40, which was shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 37

Koko Avenue, Alexandria, owned by Holly E. Thacker. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve an invoice, as recommended by Mr. Smart, in the amount of \$2,229.40, which was shown in the itemized report to be the cost of the removal of a public nuisance on property located at 3408 & 0 Greenwood Avenue, Anniston, owned by Kimberly W. Elston. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Hess, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to award the bid for grass cutting and maintenance for the Alexandria Community Center to Leatherwood Landscape, for the bid amount of \$400 per month, effective May 1, 2014, through October 31, 2014. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Joiner concerning the FY2015 Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Public Transportation program, through the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Northeast Alabama Community Development Corporation, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 for training regarding affordable housing for Calhoun County citizens. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Boys and Girls Clubs of East Central Alabama, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 for recreational, social and cultural services and programs for youth in Calhoun County. Following a second from Commissioner Hudson, there was a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner requested authorization for the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Sharp-Dean School of Continuing Studies, Inc. to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 for facilities, educational materials and supplies to tutor indigent youth in Calhoun County. Commissioner Abbott so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A resolution was presented by Mr. Joiner to provide Legislative Community Services Grant funding assistance, as requested by Representative Barbara Boyd, in the amount of \$5,000, to be used to support the Sharp-Dean School of Continuing Studies, Inc. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Webster's Chapel Tornado Relief Fund, to provide for in-kind services, including equipment use, equipment operators, laborers, and materials necessary for excavation work for the construction of a multi-purpose facility on land owned by the Webster's Chapel Tornado Relief Fund. Following a second to the motion from Commissioner Hudson, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a contract with Anniston Community Education Foundation to provide funding in the amount of \$5,000 for school supplies for disadvantaged youth in Calhoun County. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

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 a lease, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles, for a portion of what was known as the Fred's Building. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to appoint Rudy Abbott to represent District 5 on the DA's Citizen's Advisory Council. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner Hess, Chairman Hodges; Abstained – Commissioner Abbott.

A motion as made by Commissioner Hudson to appoint Mike Lett and John Baker to represent the County Commission on the Calhoun County Bingo Regulatory Commission, for five year terms, effective immediately. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Hodges reminded everyone that absentee ballots are being handled this year at the County Administration Building rather than the Courthouse. He also noted that some districts and polling places were changed as a result of the most recent census.

Jane Cunningham, with Cheaha Regional Humane Society, and certain staff members, as well as Tom Wright, who serves of their board, addressed the Commissioners concerning problems and conditions at the animal control facility. They presented their concerns and noted certain improvements over what had been done in the past, and thanked the Commissioners for what they are doing in regards to animal control in Calhoun County. All Commissioners commended them for their service.

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

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.