

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
APRIL 22, 2010

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order and all Commissioners were present. Commissioner Dunn gave an invocation.

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

Framed prints of the “Ken Joiner Calhoun County Administration Building” were presented to Ken and Dianne Joiner; Judge Joel Laird, to hang in the Courthouse; and Faye Robertson, to hang in the Commission office.

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

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

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to award the contract for the purchase of CSEPP Siren Batteries to the only bidder, McCord Communications, for one year effective May 7, 2010, for the bid amount of \$135 per battery, with a \$15 core charge, as recommended by the EMA Director. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Dunn, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to adopt a resolution, as presented by Mr. Joiner, to award the contract for the purchase of New Tires (Bid No. FY10-21) to the only bidder, McGriff Tire, for one year effective May 1, 2010, with an option to extend for a second and third year, as recommended by the County Engineer. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and the resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn, and seconded by Commissioner Downing, to award the contract for the removal of specified items from certain properties that have been declared to be a “Public Nuisance” to the only bidder, Emtex Mechanical Contractors of Anniston, for the negotiated amounts as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Pirritano recommended proceeding with the nuisance abatement of property located at 0 Decker Street, Anniston, owned by Sylvia and David Shelnett. The owners were not present. Commissioner Downing 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 to continue until June 10, 2010, the nuisance abatement of property located at 4218 Wellborn Avenue, Anniston, owned by Larry E. and Mary L. Smith, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Downing made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Dunn, to proceed with the nuisance abatement of property located at 404 N. Hunter Street, Anniston, owned by Travis Talley, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owner was not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended dismissing the nuisance abatement of property located at 0 Moose Lodge Road, Anniston, owned by AD & G Trailer Park, Inc. No one was present to represent the Owner. Commissioner Downing so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson to dismiss the nuisance abatement on property located at 170 Robin Drive, Anniston, owned by Jimmie L. Barker, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Following a seconded to the motion by Commissioner Hess, a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Henderson made a motion to declare a public nuisance on property located at 461 Porter Johnson Road, Piedmont, owned by Kerry Ross and Devin Ray Studdard, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Downing and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Henderson, and seconded by Commissioner Downing, to declare a public nuisance on property located at 0 Rt. 9 Box 220 Old Friendship Road, Oxford, owned by Windell, Harold & Travis Westbrooks, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. Travis Westbrooks was present and stated he is slowly working to cleanup the property. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 2931 Jefferson Avenue, Anniston, owned by Robert & Lorene Arthur. The owners were not present. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to declare the property to be a public nuisance and Commissioner Downing seconded the motion. A vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Henderson made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Hess, to declare a public nuisance on property located at 3015 Eulaton Road, Anniston, owned by Leo & Viola Vinson, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Downing to declare a public nuisance on property located at 2202 W. 9th Street, Anniston, owned by Timothy & Sonya McKinney, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano. The owners were not present. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Dunn, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Downing made a motion to appoint Jeff Clendenning, Administrative Services Manager for the Calhoun County Highway Department, to represent the Calhoun County

Commission on the Transit Advisory Board. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Mr. Joiner presented the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) grant award agreement for Fiscal Year 2010, totaling \$4,924,481.01. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Downing to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Historic Downtown Anniston Business Association to provide funding in the amount of \$3,000 for promotion of the Hot Ribs and Cool Blues Festival to be held at Zinn Park on July 16 and 17, 2010. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunn and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Commissioner Dunn made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Special Kids Fishing Classic, Inc. to provide funding in the amount of \$2,300 for the 14th Annual Fishing Classic for special needs children in Calhoun County, scheduled for May 6, 2010. Commissioner Downing seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Dunn, Commissioner Downing, Commissioner Hess, and Chairman Abbott; Abstained – Commissioner Henderson. Commissioner Henderson was commended for his efforts on this project. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution to allocate \$5,380,000 of the Calhoun County volume cap allocation for Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds and \$4,900,000 of the Calhoun County volume cap allocation for Recovery Zone Facility Bonds to the City of Anniston; and to allocate \$1,170,000 of the Calhoun County volume cap allocation for Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds to the Water Works, Gas and Sewer Board of the City of Jacksonville. Commissioner Downing made a motion to adopt the resolution as read and Commissioner Dunn seconded the motion. Calhoun County Grants Coordinator Gloria Floyd, County Administrator Ken Joiner, County Attorney Tom Sowa, and Commission Office staff were commended for their assistance with this program. Following discussion, the resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Recycling Coordinator Jennifer Yates presented information about the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day, which is being celebrated throughout the county. Also commenting on various initiatives to help the environment were Commissioner Downing, Extension Coordinator David West, and Solid Waste Coordinator Butler Green. Commissioner Downing was commended for his efforts to help the environment.

Chairman Abbott presented a letter he received prior to the Commission meeting from Councilman Ben Little. The letter stated Councilman Little objects to the City of Anniston taking action on the Recovery Zone Bonds and he is withdrawing support of the entire bond effort. (LETTER IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn, followed by a second from Commissioner Downing. All Commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, May 13, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

