

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
APRIL 11, 2013

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

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

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt the agenda, followed by a second from Commissioner Hess. The agenda was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

A proclamation was presented by Commissioner Wilson proclaiming the month of April as National Community College Month in Calhoun County.

Commissioner Hess presented a proclamation recognizing the month of April as Autism Awareness Month in Calhoun County.

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted by a unanimous vote following a motion to adopt by Commissioner Hess and a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson.

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to award the bids for removal and demolition of specified items from certain properties that have been declared by the Calhoun County Commission to be a public nuisance. A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson, and seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to adopt the resolution as read. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson to proceed, as recommended by Environmental Enforcement Officer David Pirritano, with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 6834 AL Hwy 21, Piedmont, owned by Lothar Glenn Hughes. Mr. Hughes was present and stated he had put up a fence and does not feel there is a nuisance on the property. Mr. Pirritano advised that violations still exist and will discuss these violations with Mr. Hughes after the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hudson and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to proceed, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 0 Moose Lodge Road, Anniston, owned by A D & G Trailer Park Inc. David Kilgore was present to represent the owner and stated he is working on cleaning up the property. Mr. Pirritano advised that violations still exist. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended proceeding with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 600 Parker Street, Anniston, owned by Phillip Shane and Margaret C. Burrough. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. Commissioner Wilson so moved, Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Hodges to proceed as recommended by Mr. Pirritano with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 401 Rice Street, Anniston, owned by Fred N. Johnson. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended dismissing the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 203 Smith Street Front, Anniston, owned by Katy A. Cooper. Commissioner Hess so moved, Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to declare, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, a public nuisance on property located at 1504 Willett Street, Anniston, owned by Ollie B. Freeman. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to declare, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, a public nuisance on property located at 331 East 54th Street, Anniston, owned by Billy G. Hodge. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Hodges, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Hudson to declare, as recommended by Mr. Pirritano, a public nuisance on property located at 325 Rice Avenue, Anniston, owned by Bridgette Griffith. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. There was a second to the motion from Commissioner Hudson and a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Pirritano recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 1110 Whites Gap Road, Jacksonville, owned by Roger and Cindy Ausborn. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. Commissioner Hess so moved, Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the YMCA of Calhoun County, to provide funding in the amount of \$500 for recreational, social and cultural services to and programs for youth in Calhoun County, including disadvantaged youth. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Anniston Runners Club, to provide funding in the amount of \$1,000 to support the Woodstock 5K and UCP Kidstock 1 Mile Run/Walk to be held in Calhoun County. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Commissioner Wilson made a motion 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 \$1,200 for support of the Fishing Classic to be held in Calhoun County, which allows special needs children to participate in a one-day fishing event. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and a vote of the Commissioners was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hess, and Chairman Abbott; Abstained – Commissioner Hudson. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Calhoun County Sports Hall of Fame, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$4,900 for advertising and support of the 2013 awards banquet to be held in Calhoun County. Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Hodges, and Chairman Abbott; Abstained – Commissioner Hess and Commissioner Hudson. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association DBA Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association, to provide funding in the amount of \$7,500 for promotion of the Noble Street Festival to be held in Calhoun County. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Mike Poe, representing the committee, thanked the Commissioners for their support and discussed the economic impact in the county. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with East Central Alabama United Cerebral Palsy, for funding in the amount of \$1,200 to provide services to residents of Calhoun County who have cerebral palsy and who are indigent and unable to pay for the services. A vote of the Commissioners was as follows: Yeas – Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Hodges, Commissioner Hudson, and Commissioner Hess; Abstained – Chairman Abbott. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a resolution to provide Legislative Community Services Grant funding assistance, as requested by Representative K. L. Brown, in the amount of \$1,000 for the Jacksonville State University Gospel Choir. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Shannon Shanks, for employment as Director of the Calhoun County Animal Control Program. Mr. Joiner stated the contract is for three years, effective April 11, 2013, and the rate of pay is \$25,000 annually. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (CONTRACT ATTACHED)

County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm recommended accepting from Jerry Ronald Ramsey and Lynda Ramsey certain right-of-way for access to Criswell Cemetery off Mudd Street.

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt a resolution as presented and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED, DEED IN FILE)

Mr. Joiner presented a proposal from Business Systems, Inc. to provide Savin copiers and printers for the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office and Jail. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to accept the proposal and to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, for the lease of the copiers and printers. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Rosenbalm recommended awarding the bid for a Bridge Cover at Alexandria-Wellington Road to Kilgore Construction. Bill Whittaker, the architect for the project, was introduced. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt a resolution as presented by Mr. Rosenbalm, followed by a second from Commissioner Wilson. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to appoint Keli Wigley, who lives at 1318 Champaign Avenue, in Anniston, to represent District 2 on the Calhoun County Beautification Board. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. Ms. Wigley was present and was introduced by Dr. David West.

A resolution was presented by Mr. Joiner to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to review and explore options to operate the 800 MHz System in Calhoun County. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Wilson, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mark Welch announced a Free Day at the Calhoun County Landfill is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th.

Dr. West thanked the Commissioners for supporting Earth Day activities. He reported several hundred students and approximately eighty volunteers participated in the two-day event at McClellan.

Commissioner Hudson announced the annual Fishing Classic event for special needs children is scheduled for Thursday, May 2nd, at the Moose Lodge on Anniston Beach Road.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Hodges, followed by a second to the motion from Commissioner Hess. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, April 25, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.