

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
MARCH 28, 2019

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

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

PVT Stuart Henderson was recognized for graduating first in his class from the U.S. Army's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Specialist School at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Mr. Robert Avery discussed plans and employment opportunities available in Calhoun County for the upcoming 2020 Census. He stated sixty jobs are available immediately and up to eight hundred jobs will be available by summer. Applications and information are provided on line at 2020Census.gov/jobs.

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

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. There was a second to the motion from Commissioner Henderson and a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion.

Environmental Programs Manager Theo Smart recommended proceeding with the abatement of a public nuisance on property located at 60 Phillip David Drive, Ohatchee, owned by Kenneth Hicks Sr. and Kenneth D. Hicks. The owners were notified of the meeting but were not present. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to proceed as recommended and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

Mr. Smart recommended dismissing the public nuisance abatement on property located at 2096 State Farm Road, Alexandria, owned by Rhonda K. Murray. Commissioner Henderson so moved, Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hodges and seconded by Commissioner Hess to dismiss the public nuisance abatement, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 7886 AL Hwy 9, Anniston. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to declare a public nuisance, as recommended by Mr. Smart, on property located at 721 State Farm Road, Alexandria, owned by Betty Jean Nunnelly. 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)

Mr. Smart recommended declaring a public nuisance on property located at 51 Johnny Street, Anniston, owned by Sandra Evans. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to proceed as recommended and Commissioner Hess seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

County Administrator Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the bids for public nuisance demolition/removal from various properties. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution awarding the bids, as recommended, to Wendy Thornton, Emtex Excavating Contractors, and Stroup Lawn Care, based on the overall lowest responsive, responsible bid for each property. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hodges made a motion to adopt a resolution that was presented by Mr. Tyner to extend certain contracts with Greens Keepers, D & B Lawn Service, and A-Team Service, through October 31, 2019, for grass cutting and maintenance at various county properties. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners votes in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to appoint Commissioner Tim Hodges to represent the County Commission on the Coosa Valley Resource Conservation and Development Council, effective March 28, 2019. Following a second to the motion by Commissioner Henderson, there was a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Rosenbalm recommended accepting for maintenance Freedom Way and American Way, in Mountain View Phase 8 Subdivision, which is located in District 2. The County Highway Department has inspected these roads and they were found to meet all requirements. Mr. Rosenbalm also recommended releasing and/or canceling the existing letter of credit. Commissioner Hodges so moved, Commissioner Hess seconded the motion, and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A statutory warranty deed was presented by Mr. Tyner to accept approximately 900 acres of property at McClellan from the McClellan Development Authority for the establishment of a horse trail and recreation area. MDA Board Member Bill Robison commended the Commissioners, particularly Commissioner Hodges and Commissioner Hess, as well as County Attorney Gloria Floyd, for their cooperation and hard work on the project. Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the deed, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, and Commissioner Hodges seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (DEED IN FILE)

A lease agreement with Back Country Horsemen of Alabama, Inc. was presented by Mr. Tyner. The agreement provides for a partnership with the county to establish and maintain the proposed

horse trail and recreation area at McClellan. Commissioner Hess recognized Charlotte Alford, with the Back Country Horsemen of Alabama, who provided information about the organization and the positive economic impact visitors to the horse trail and recreation area would bring to the county. He commended Jeff Clendenning for providing the survey of the property. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the lease agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County, once in final form. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Commissioner Hess made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with Calhoun County Fair, Inc., to provide for county-wide fair and carnival events at the Calhoun County Agri-Center on April 21-27, and October 6-12, 2019. There was a second to the motion from Commissioner Patterson and a unanimous vote of the Commissioners in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

Sharon Sparks addressed the Commissioners regarding a problem concerning damage to her property on Saks Road. She was referred to the County Attorney and Revenue Commissioner.

Larry Hamlin asked that his property located at 65 Fieldstone Way, Jacksonville, be re-evaluated for public nuisance cleanup. Mr. Smart was asked to review the matter with him.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hess to adjourn the meeting, followed by a second to the motion from Commissioner Hodges. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, April 11, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.