

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Chairman Wilson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:00 a.m., and all Commissioners were present. Pastor Chad Pesnell from Cornerstone Worship Center gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Commissioner Henderson motioned to adopt the agenda, followed by a second motion from Commissioner Howell. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Wilson opened the floor for elected officials to speak. Sheriff Matthew Wade thanked the Commission for the recent help with several projects: cameras, jail renovations, and help in purchasing vehicles. He said his department is struggling financially due to losing the funds once generated from selling pistol permits. He spoke about working with state legislators to help find additional funding, one idea being the possibility of adding a new tax to tag vehicles.

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Reggie Stewart, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 2305 W. D Street, Anniston, owned by Johnathan Hardy; (2) 2312 Jefferson Street, Anniston, owned by Diane Ireland; and (3) 998 Mary Jane Drive, Anniston, owned by Jerel Greathouse. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Shears made a motion to proceed as recommended. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (3 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended approving invoices as shown in the itemized reports to be the cost of removal of public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 1136 Rhodes Street, Anniston, owned by Randall and Tamela Robertson, in the amount of \$226.00; (2) 4200 Bryan Avenue, Anniston, owned by Coraetta Vinson and Roberta Guthrie, in the amount of \$326.00; (3) 614 1st Avenue, Anniston, owned by Kenneth Manis, in the amount of \$276.00; (4) 413 Mountain Drive, Jacksonville, owned by Matthew and Jennifer Reaves, in the amount of \$276.00; and (5) 703 W. 44th Street, Anniston, owned by John and Lona Pitts, in the amount of \$176.00. The owners were notified of the meeting, but no one was present to represent the owners. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to proceed with invoices. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (5 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Reggie Stewart recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 306 Rice Avenue, Anniston, owned by Amy Joiner; (2) 2306 W. D Street, Anniston, owned by Andria Perry; and (3) 2253 Alexandria-Wellington Road, Anniston, owned by Gary Truitt. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to declare as recommended. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (3 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

County Administrator, Mr. Mark Tyner, presented an ABC Board of Application for a 020-Restaurant Retail Liquor, submitted by Goode BBQ LLC d/b/a Rons Goode BBQ, located at 8314 Alabama Highway 144, Alexandria, AL, 36250. This was the first reading of the application; no formal action was required.

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the bid for Public Nuisance Debris & Removal on Curtis Avenue in Ohatchee, AL, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder, Wendy Thornton, for the amount of \$1,000.00. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the bid for Hydraulic Dump Recycling Trailer to the sole bidder, Pro-Tainer, for two trailers for \$22,535.00 each. Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to award the Sheriff's Office Footwear & Boots bid to the lowest responsive responsible bidder, Galls, LLC, for a 20% discount off catalog MSRP. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to extend the Grass Cutting and Maintenance bid with D&B Lawn Service, at no change in price, for Saks Community Center and Nances Creek Community Park. This extension is effective March 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023. Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to extend the Grass Cutting and Maintenance bid with D&B Lawn Service, at no change in price, for the various County properties: Wellborn Sportsplex, Cedar Springs Park, Thankful Park, Blue Mountain Community Center, and Alexandria Community Center. This extension is effective March 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to extend the Soft Drinks Sales at the Sports Complex bid with Coca-Cola Bottling Company, with certain pricing adjustments due to the supply chain and cost of goods increases. This extension is effective March 11, 2023 through March 10, 2024. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a resolution to declare several vehicles assigned to the Sheriff's Office as surplus property and to be offered for sale through GovDeals.com. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an employment contract for the Director of Operations of the Calhoun County Sports Complex. The agreement is for three years, effective February 18, 2023, with an increase in compensation to the yearly amount of \$33,500.00. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (CONTRACT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an agreement with Terracon Consultants Inc. for services for \$3,500.00, pertaining to the construction of a roundabout at Bynum Leatherwood and Old Gadsden Highway. Commissioner Henderson motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented an agreement with J.M. Wood Auction Company, Inc. to sell three 2005 International Dump Trucks, one 1998 Fontaine Trailer, and two 2006 John Deere Tractors for a guarantee of \$53,000 and a commission rate of 6%. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a Sampling License agreement with Solutia/Pharmacia to allow for testing of property located at 0 West 4th Street, Anniston, AL, 36201. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for and on behalf of Calhoun County. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a request to accept for maintenance of Freedom Way and Patriot Place in the Mountain View Phase 9 Subdivision. Commissioner Henderson motioned to agree to certain waivers and accept the roads for maintenance. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a Simplified Sellers Use Tax (SSUT) Resolution that commits the revenue stream to law enforcement to include the operation of the Sheriff's Department and jail. Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a Polling Place Change Resolution to relocate Beat 5, Box 1, from First United Methodist Church at 101 Anniston Street, Weaver, AL, to the City of Weaver Meeting Center at 406 Anniston Street, Weaver, AL. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Mark Tyner presented a recommendation for Ms. Jackie Brown to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Robert Pyles on the DHR Board, District 1. This term will end on September 1, 2023. Commissioner Shears made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Mark Tynner presented a recommendation for Mr. J.D. Hess to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Phil Webb on the MDA Board, District 3. This term will end on March 1, 2023. Commissioner Howell made a motion to make the appointment. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Chandy Gordon, with the ASAP Foundation, thanked the Commission for attending the recent Gala celebrating the Foundation's anniversary and for their continued support.

Mr. Milton Ford, a concerned citizen, addressed the Commission with his concerns of the roadway condition of Bynum Leatherwood Road, especially near the turnoff for the Landfill.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, spoke about a new QR code in local hotels and restaurants that tourists and citizens can scan and get information on local attractions and events. In addition, she announced that this weekend the CMP would be hosting an Air Rifle Competition, and in two weeks, the Jr. College Softball Tournament will be held at Choccolocco Park.

Ms. Brittney Reaves, Public Information Officer, spoke on how she is going to hotels in the area to make them aware of how to sign up for EMA text alerts, which can help get emergency information to their guests.

Dr. David West, the County Extension Coordinator, announced they would celebrate Arbor Day on February 24th as they will be set up at Downey Drugs to hand out fruit trees. He also said there would be a pig sale this Saturday, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Jeff Clendenning, the City of Weaver Mayor, thanked the Commission for changing the polling place location earlier in the meeting. He said the new site would have better parking and easier access to disabled citizens.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Patterson and seconded by Commissioner Henderson. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion by voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.