

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
August 8, 2024

Chairwoman Henderson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:00 a.m., and all Commissioners were present. Commissioner Shears gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

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

Environmental Programs Manager, Mr. Kraig Mize, recommended proceeding with the public nuisance abatements on the following properties: (1) 3525 Oakridge Avenue, Anniston, owned by Louneal Hill (Est.) c/o Jean Chastain; (2) 1407 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Eddie Hicks (Est.); (3) 519 Dagon Drive, Anniston, owned by Windell & Frances Ann Orand (Est.) c/o Paul Orand; (4) 1213 Carter Street, Anniston, owned by Jennie M. Jordan; (5) 426 Russell Avenue, Anniston, owned by G&H Property Group LLC.; (6) 1051 W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Anniston, owned April Coggins; and (7) 211 Russell Avenue, Anniston, owned by Howard Dale & Danny D. Bedford c/o Darrell Bedford. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting. Mr. Darrell Bedford, representative for property #7 – 211 Russell Avenue, addressed the Commission saying he was unsure how to resolve the nuisance and asked to speak to Mr. Mize. Commissioner Howell motioned a motion to abate as recommended. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (7 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended dismissing public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 4836 Saks Road, Anniston, owned by Aaron & Marqui Jackson; (2) 510 Parker Street, Anniston, owned by John H. Goodwin Sr.; (3) 125 Martin Street, Anniston, owned by Amber E. Howell; (4) 931 Vaughn Street, Anniston, owned by End of the Road, LLC.; and (5) 5004 Post Oak Road, Anniston, owned by Hulon G. & Modena R. Ogle. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to dismiss as recommended. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended approving invoices as shown in the itemized reports to be the cost of removal of public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 814 S. Hollingsworth Drive, Anniston, owned by Rachel Haynes c/o Mary E. Haynes, for \$4,526.00 and (2) 1504 Piedmont Jacksonville Road, Piedmont, owned by Vinson & Donna Rascoe, for \$3,526.00. The owners were notified of the meeting, but no one was present to represent the owners. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the invoices. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (2 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 805 W. Corning Street, Anniston, owned by Linda Higgins; (2) 811 N. Ledbetter Street, Anniston,

owned by Douglas E. & Margaret A. Plath; (3) 1332 Packard Street, Anniston, owned by Curtis & Betty Ware c/o Milton E. Elston Sr.; (4) 117 Bailey Street, Oxford, owned by Gloria Goodson; (5) 2716 Paul Street, Anniston, owned by Sara Ann Moates c/o Brian Keith Moates; (6) 1010 Ivy Street, Anniston, owned by Ronnie Heath; (7) 113 Bailey Street, Oxford, owned by Marion Anthony Busby; (8) 3608 Noble Street, Anniston, owned by Cynthia E. & Michael Greenwood; (9) 10270 New Liberty Road, Piedmont, owned by Michael D. & Pamela Austin; (10) 4759 Eulaton Road, Anniston, owned by Larry Sims; (11) 413 Mountain Drive, Jacksonville, owned by Matthew William & Jennifer Ragan Reaves; (12) 540 Cottaquilla Road, Jacksonville, owned by Genell Hughes & Lisa Hughes Racca; (13) 245 Smith Street, Oxford, owned by Robert Hale (Est.) & Donna Hale; (14) 801 Dagon Street, Anniston, owned by Kim Ellen Belknap; (15) 4833 Saks Road, Anniston, owned by John & Jennifer Smith; and (16) 29 Lloyds Road, Wellington, owned by Garry & Tammy Watkins, Barbara Robinson, Billy M. Watkins Sr. & Linda Robinson. The owners were adequately notified of the meeting. Ms. Charlene Tolbert spoke for property #3 – 1332 Packard Street, stating the property is being cleaned. Ms. Cynthia Greenwood, with property #8 – 3608 Noble Street, wants to meet with Mr. Mize to see how to resolve this nuisance. Mr. Michael Austin, with property #9 – 1027 New Liberty Road, has pictures to show that the cleanup has started. Ms. Lisa Hughes Racca, with property #12 – 540 Cottaquilla Road, says she did not receive the first notice regarding the nuisance, and she is working to get the property cleaned from a fire. Commissioner Patterson motioned to declare properties as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (16 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

County Administrator, Mr. Jonathan Gaddy, presented a resolution awarding construction for the ARPA project – Thankful Park Community Center to Hurst Construction LLC. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution awarding construction for the ARPA project – Choccolocco Community Center, to Hurst Construction LLC. Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. Commissioner Shears said these two community centers are exciting for Districts 1 & 2 and is thankful to see the County moving forward with these projects. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to award various Highway Department bids: Office Supplies; Gasoline, Fuel, Kerosene; Herbicides; Crushed Quartzite; Crushed Limestone; Bituminous Surface; Guardrail; and Concrete. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to accept a proposal from Bill Whittaker Architecture to conduct up to five property assessments for a number of County facilities, not to exceed \$7,000.00 each. 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. Gaddy presented a 5307 Urban Public Transportation Program Resolution to designate the East Alabama Regional Commission to provide transportation services in the urbanized unincorporated areas of Calhoun County. The County's commitment is \$52,113.00 for FY2025.

Commissioner Shears made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented an Alabama Department of Revenue Reciprocal Exchange Agreement to provide an exchange of information from the Alabama Department of Revenue with Calhoun County to exchange confidential tax information. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a Microsoft 365 Software Agreement for the use of the software. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented the FY2025 Calhoun County Transportation Plan in accordance with the Rebuild Alabama Act. The plan includes the following projects: McClellan Road, Mahlep Lane, Choccolocco Road, 64<sup>th</sup> Street, Roy Webb Road, Boiling Springs Road, Parkwood Drive, Mitchellville Road, and Morrisville Road. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the chairman to sign for and on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. Commissioner Shears thanked County Engineer Rodney McCain for preparing this plan. Commissioner Howell also expressed his gratitude for the work that went into this plan. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (PLAN IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a jail detention equipment service Agreement with Willo Product Company for a one-time service call. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement once in final form. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resubdivision plat for Eagle Point at Boiling Springs, which the County Engineer recommended. This plat meets the provisions of resubdivision regulations. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize acceptance of the plat and to authorize the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. (LETTER IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resubdivision plat for Shadow Grass Phase 1, which the County Engineer recommended. This plat meets the provisions of resubdivision regulations. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize acceptance of the plat and to authorize the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. (LETTER IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented the FY23 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Cooperative Agreement. The agreement provides for a Federal allocation of \$64,518.00. Commissioner Wilson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement for and on behalf of Calhoun County, and Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to cancel the commission meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2024, to accommodate the Commissioners to attend the ACCA Annual Convention. Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote of the Commissioners present. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Chairwoman Henderson opened the floor for public comments.

Mr. Jakob Williamson, Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Coordinator, announced there would be a Military Affairs Appreciation Luncheon on August 22, 2024, at the Anniston City Meeting Center.

Ms. Doris Bolton with Calhoun County DHR announced they will host a job fair open to the public on August 14, 2024.

Dr. David West, County Extension Coordinator, announced that the Extension office would host a tree maintenance workshop on September 18, 2024, which would be open to anyone at no charge.

Commissioner Shears made a motion to adjourn, which Commissioner Patterson seconded. All Commissioners present voted in favor of the motion by voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.