

SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION  
September 12, 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 Howell 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 Patterson. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Commissioner Howell presented a proclamation to Ms. Krisy Smith and McWhorter & Company in recognition of their generous contribution in constructing and funding an outdoor fenced play area for the dogs at the center. Ms. Smith expressed her gratitude for the recognition, adding that she was pleased to assist Animal Control Director Naomi Richards and looks forward to offering further support in the future.

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) 805 Corning Street, Anniston, owned by Linda Higgins; (2) 811 N. Ledbetter, Anniston, owned by Douglas & Margaret A. Plath; (3) 4759 Eulaton Road, Anniston, owned by Larry Sims; (4) 413 Mountain Drive, Jacksonville, owned by Matthew Williams & Jennifer Ragan Reeves; (5) 245 Smith Street, Oxford, owned by Robert & Donna Hale; (6) 1332 Packard Street, Anniston, owned Curtis & Betty Ware; (7) 4833 Saks Road, Anniston, owned by John & Jennifer Smith; and (8) 2716 Paul Street, Anniston, owned by Sara & Brian Moates. Ms. Alice Sparks, Mr. Frank Brickhouse, and Mr. Wain Fals, all neighbors of Property #3 located at 4759 Eulaton Road, attended to inquire about the progress in clearing the property of nuisances. Ms. Tawanna Taylor, property manager for Property #5 at 245 Smith Street, expressed her interest in speaking with Mr. Mize to explore how she could assist in the cleanup efforts. Commissioner Shears motioned to abate as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (8 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended dismissing public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 1625 Marx Street, Anniston, owned by Deborah Ann Tipton; (2) 2504 Old Birmingham Highway, Anniston, owned by Betty Smith; (3) 1010 Ivy Street, Anniston, owned by Ronnie Heath; (4) 29 Lloyds Road, Wellington, owned by Garry & Tammy Watkins, Barbara Robinson, Billy M. Watkins, Sr. and Linda Robinson; (5) 113 Bailey Street, Oxford, owned by Marion Anthony Busby; (6) 427 Russell Avenue, Anniston, owned by Delbert & Chandell Worley; (7) 1729 Parkwood Street, Anniston, owned by Tommy Allen Tant; (8) 801 Dagon Street, Anniston, owned by Kim Belknap; (9) 0 Medders Street, Anniston, owned by Howard & Ruby Shell; (10) 117 Bailey Street, Oxford, owned by Gloria Goodson; and (11) 10270 New Liberty Road, Piedmont, owned by Michael D. & Pamela Austin. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting but were not present, and no one spoke on behalf of the owners. Commissioner

Patterson motioned to dismiss as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 304 Rowan Street, Anniston, owned by Elizabeth Keef; (2) 401 Weaver Lane, Weaver, owned by Nell S. Abeyta (Est.); (3) 4500 Asbury Avenue, Anniston, owned by Grace A. McKinney c/o Brandy Bryant; (4) 419 Rowan Street, Anniston, owned by Betty, David and Emily Surrent; and (5) 150 Old County 109, Anniston, owned by Michael S. Dempsey. Commissioner Shears motioned to declare properties as recommended. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (5 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

County Administrator Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented a resolution to extend the General Landscape Maintenance contract with Maddox Lawn Services, effective from September 1, 2023, to August 30, 2025, with no modifications to the terms. Commissioner Wilson motioned 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 extend the GPS Monitoring Equipment & Services with American Electronic Monitoring, effective from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, with no modifications to the terms. Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to extend the Sheriff Office Uniform contract with MAC Uniform, effective from September 28, 2024, to September 27, 2025, with no modifications to the terms. Commissioner Wilson motioned 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 award the bid for Herbicides to Red River Specialities, LLC., effective from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, as recommended by the County Engineer. Commissioner Shears motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to award the Rebuild Alabama bid for the bridge replacement and approaches on McClellan Road to The Bridge Builders of Alabama, LLC., for the negotiated amount of \$631,657.80. Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. Commissioner Howell thanked County Engineer Rodney McCain for his work on this project. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to award the ARPA Project – Chief Ladiga Landing Additional Parking to Hurst Construction, LLC, for the negotiated amount of \$174,441.63. Commissioner Patterson motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. Commissioner Patterson thanked County Engineer Rodney McCain for all of the current projects. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to award the bid for Public Nuisance Demolition & Removal of several properties to Wendy Thornton and Parris Contracting and Mechanical. Commissioner Shears motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. (RESOLUTIONS ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to declare a tilting skillet, assigned to the Sheriff's Office, as surplus property and to be recycled. Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a DYS Long Term Detention Subsidy Agreement for FY2025. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented an agreement with Bailey's Bushhogging to provide bushhogging services under the supervision of the Highway Department, effective from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2027. Commissioner Howell 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 cooperative service agreement with the USDA Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services, covering the period from July 30, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented an agreement for Beaver Dam Removal and Control services with Tracy Hare, effective from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented the Certified Local Emergency Manager Salary Supplement State Subaward for \$17,000.00. 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 was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented an AIA Change Order for the ARPA Project – Jail Renovation Construction Contract for an additional \$12,379.00 to cover change orders #23, #24, and #25. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Shears seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented a Change Order for the ARPA Project – Jail Medical Wing with Tindall Corporation Construction to extend the substantial completion date to November 15, 2024. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented an AIA Change Order for the ARPA Project – Improvements to Ladiga Landing Chief Ladiga Trail for an additional amount of \$2,350.00. Commissioner Patterson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to approve the increase in landfill solid waste disposal rates through Arrow Disposal Services, effective October 1, 2024. Commissioner Wilson motioned 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 approving the acquisition of Arrow Disposal Services, Inc.'s shares and stock by Meridian Waste Alabama, LLC. This transaction will not disrupt services as outlined in the original agreement. Commissioner Shears motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented an agreement with Jackson Thornton for arbitrage consulting services. Commissioner Wilson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented an agreement with Building & Earth Engineers to provide construction materials testing and inspection services for the Calhoun County jail medical wing. Commissioner Shears 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 an ADEM STROW Grant Agreement effective September 12, 2024, through September 30, 2027. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented an addendum to the Inmate Telecommunications Service Agreement with Combined Public Communications, LLC with an extension of an additional thirty- six months. Commissioner Wilson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (AGREEMENT IN FILE)

Chairwoman Henderson opened the floor for public comments.

Ms. Chandy Gordon, Prevention Specialist with A.S.A.P., thanked the Commission for their ongoing support and announced that A.S.A.P. will be hosting a free Faith-Based Conference on September 19-20, open to the public.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director, announced that the Freedom Riders National Monument will be holding public open house sessions on September 24 to gather community feedback on the monument's development plans. She also shared that the National Park Service has appointed Dr. Herts as the superintendent of the new monument/park.

She said numerous events would be coming to the area this fall and these are available on the Chamber website.

Mr. Jakob Williamson, Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Coordinator, announced the Chamber will be hosting a State of Agriculture on Wednesday, September 18, 2024.

Commissioner Howell motioned to adjourn, which Commissioner Shears seconded. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.