

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION
October 10, 2024

Chairwoman Henderson called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission at 10:00 a.m., and all Commissioners were present. County Engineer, Mr. Rodney McCain, 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 Shears. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Commissioner Patterson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Howell 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) 1879 Parkwood Drive, Anniston, owned by Avery Properties LLC; (2) 2603 Eulaton Road, Anniston, owned by WJ Ponder (Est.) c/o Irene and Pats Ponder; (3) 192 West Point Road, Jacksonville, owned by Wendy K. Gann Snider; (4) 2425 Griffis II Street, Anniston, owned by Bobby Woodrow; (5) 3608 Noble Street, Anniston, owned by Cynthia & Michael Greenwood; (6) 4206 Bynum Leatherwood Road, Anniston, owned by Patricia Woodrow; and (7) 315 Medders Drive W., Anniston, owned by James Fredrick Lucas III. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting. Mr. Paul Brown addressed the Commission, clarifying that while his address at 1879 Parkwood Drive was listed as the nuisance abatement, the actual property in question is 1865 Parkwood Drive. Commissioner Shears made a motion to table the discussion regarding property #1 – 1879 Parkwood Drive, which was seconded by Commissioner Howell. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Commissioner Shears then motioned to proceed with the abatement of properties #2 through #7 as recommended. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, and it also passed unanimously by voice vote. (7 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended dismissing public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 4500 Asbury Avenue, Anniston, owned by Grace A. McKinney c/o Brandy Bryant; (2) 0 S. Marshall Street, Anniston, owned by Linda Chesson; (3) 6105 Autumn Trail, Anniston, owned by Penny Woodford; and (4) 540 Cottaquilla Road, Jacksonville, owned by Lisa Hughes & Genell Hughes. Owners were adequately notified of the meeting. Ms. Hughes, representing property #4, expressed her gratitude to Mr. Mize for his assistance throughout the process. Commissioner Howell motioned 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 property: (1) 101 W. 35th Street, Anniston, owned by Corridor Gardens InTown LLC, for \$5,526.00. 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. (1 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

Mr. Kraig Mize recommended declaring public nuisances on the following properties: (1) 5004 Post Oak Road, Anniston, owned by Modena & Hulon Ogle; (2) 31 Carriage Road, Anniston, owned by Wayne Guthrie; (3) 80 Bailey Street, Oxford, owned by Jacqueline Kelley & Dianne Green; (4) 407 Morrisville Road, Anniston, owned by Jacqueline Johnson; (5) 1320 Leyden Street, Anniston, owned by Louis Miller; (6) 508 Inglewood Drive, Anniston, owned by Antonia Mora Ramirez; (7) 0 Elston Street, Anniston, owned by Beatrice Robinson c/o Jerom Allen; and (8) 2435 Eulaton Road, Anniston, owned by Billy Joe Clonts c/o Denise Walling. Property owners were properly notified of the meeting. Mr. Wayne Guthrie, representing property #2 at 31 Carriage Road, said that he has been renovating the property and has ordered supplies to clean the nuisance. Mr. Jared Walling, representing property #8 at 2435 Eulaton Road, said that the property has been cleaned off. Mr. Mize offered to meet with both owners after the meeting. Commissioner Howell motioned to declare properties as recommended. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. (8 RESOLUTIONS IN FILE)

County Administrator Mr. Jonathan Gaddy presented a resolution to rescind the denial of a previous ABC Board application by Bethlehem Mart LLC, doing business as One Stop Mart, located at 10171 US Highway 78 E., Anniston, AL, 36207. Commissioner Shears motioned to adopt the resolution, which was seconded by Commissioner Howell. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to extend the Courthouse Custodial Services contract with Made to Clean, effective from November 1, 2024, to October 31, 2025, with no changes to the terms. Commissioner Patterson motioned to adopt the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to award the Sports Complex/Woodland Park Concessions bid to the sole bidder, Osborn Brothers, at negotiated prices. Commissioner Howell motioned to adopt the resolution, with Commissioner Shears seconding. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy introduced an AIA Change Order for the ARPA Project – Jail Medical Wing, requesting an additional \$11,676.00 to provide fencing. Commissioner Wilson motioned to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the agreement on behalf of the Commission, seconded by Commissioner Patterson. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT ON FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a Traffic Enforcement Agreement with the North Central Alabama Highway Safety Office to provide grant funding for traffic safety enforcement overtime. The agreement's term is from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. Commissioner Howell motioned to authorize the chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Shears seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT ON FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented an Interpreter Service Agreement with the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, offering interpretative services for the Probate Court at a rate of \$65.00 per hour. The term of the agreement is from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize the chairman to sign on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously by voice vote. (AGREEMENT ON FILE)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resolution to declare a Savin Copier, assigned to the Probate Office, as surplus and to be recycled. Commissioner Patterson motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

Mr. Gaddy presented a resubdivision plat for RaceTrac Alexandria Gate 5, which came with the recommendation of the County Engineer. The plat complies with the resubdivision regulations. Commissioner Shears motioned to authorize acceptance of the plat and to authorize the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously by voice vote. (LETTER ON FILE)

Mr. Gaddy then presented a resolution for the Passage and Levy of Additional Vehicle License and Registration Fees, allowing for the collection of a \$2 fee as authorized by Alabama Legislature Act No. 2024-203, Acts of Alabama 2024. The fee will be collected by the License Commissioner and remitted monthly to the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office to be deposited in its Law Enforcement Fund. Commissioner Shears motioned to adopt the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Howell. Commissioner Shears explained that this fee was introduced to support the Sheriff's Office after the loss of pistol permit funding. A roll call vote was conducted, with all Commissioners from Districts 1 through 5 voting in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairwoman Henderson opened the floor for public comments.

Ms. Audrey Maxwell, Tourism Director for the Chamber of Commerce, announced several upcoming events in the area, including the Jazz and Music Fest in Anniston happening this weekend. She also shared that the Chamber is organizing a Business Decorating Contest to encourage local businesses to participate in fall and Halloween festivities. Businesses can be nominated for the contest on the Chamber's social media pages.

Ms. Chandy Gordon from the Agency for Substance Abuse Prevention expressed her gratitude to the Commission for their ongoing support. She also announced two upcoming events: a free car wash for all military personnel and veterans at Extreme Carwash in Anniston tomorrow, and on October 26th, the agency will host National Drug Take Back Day at various local pharmacies.

Dr. David West from the Extension Office announced they will be hosting a Pecan Workshop on October 25th in the Extension Auditorium. Additionally, a hog show will be held at the Agri-Center on October 19th.

Commissioner Howell motioned to adjourn, which Commissioner Shears seconded. The motion was carried unanimously by a voice vote. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.