

**CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**April 24, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Chairman Kenneth Walker called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed the visitors.

**CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

The County Clerk called the roll; present were Chairman Kenneth Walker, Commissioner Darrell Hicks and Commissioner Stanley Yarbrough. The invocation was given by Randall Waldrep. Mayor Kenneth Kilgo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2014 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.**

Commissioner Hicks made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2014 Commission Meeting; approve appropriations, expenditures, requisitions and all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ashley Graves from the Economic Development Office announced the PALS cleanup will be this Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-12:00. Dumpsters have been placed throughout the county and bags are available in each municipality. She invited everyone to the open house at the new economic development office this afternoon.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Proclamation - Recognition of Cullman County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments selection as a 2014 Congressional Fire Service Institute/MedicAlert Foundation, Excellence in Fire Service-Based EMS Award recipient**

The County Clerk read the proclamation aloud. Chairman Walker presented President Joe Golden and EMS Officer Jeff Byars with the proclamation. Both men spoke giving a brief explanation of the award and thanked the Commission for their support. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the recognition of the Cullman County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments on their achievement of the 2014 Congressional Fire Service Institute/MedicAlert Foundation, Excellence in Fire Service-Based EMS Award recipient. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Confirm Tax Abatement by the City of Cullman for I-Core Composites, LLC for \$600,000 for building and machinery**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to confirm the City of Cullman's tax abatement for I-Core Composites, LLC in the amount of \$600,000. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

**Authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution with ALDOT, ACIM59761-ATRP(001), for the interchange at I-65 at County Road 222**

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated this is a standard agreement with ALDOT for the maintenance of roadways off the interstate. With the building of the new interchange, this agreement will affect one county road. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the resolution concerning the maintenance of roadways at the interchange of I-65 and County Road 222. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2014-19 – Award the Bid for Resurfacing of County Road 1518 and 38 and Alternate Bid for County Road 1573 (CDBG Project No. DTR-13-7) to Wiregrass Construction Co., Inc. – Bid Price \$1,019,469.20**

Commissioner Hicks explained the CDBG project is 100% money for the paving. This money was received for disaster repairs from the 2011 tornado. Chuck Chitwood with CDG Engineering recommended awarding the bid for the resurfacing. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the bid for the resurfacing of County Road 1518 and 38 and alternate bid for County Road 1573 (CDBG Project No. DTR-13-7) to Wiregrass Construction Co., Inc. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider adoption of Fair Housing Resolution for CDBG projects**

Matt Kinsland from the Economic Development Office explained federal law requires the Fair Housing Resolution to be included in the paperwork for the CDBG project. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to adopt the Fair Housing Resolution. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider awarding bid for Waterline Replacement and Utility Bridge on Hwy 278W to Cleary Construction, Inc. – Bid Price \$578,740**

Randall Waldrep, Water Department Manager, stated several options were researched concerning the best solution for crossing the bridge located west of I-65 before Culpepper Hill. It was finally determined a utility bridge is the best option. The low bid was received from Cleary Construction, Tompkinsville, KY. Since the firm has never done work for the County, a check of their background showed they are currently doing work for the City of Cullman at Eight-Mile Creek and have done several other projects in the area. The engineering company feels they are a reputable company who can perform the work and they have recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the bid for waterline replacement and a utility bridge on Hwy 278W to Cleary Construction, Inc. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

**Authorize the Chairman and EMA Director to sign a FY-2013 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), Grant # 3EMS, for \$10,382**

Kelly Allen from the EMA Office explained this is additional money the County receives annually due to the certifications held by the EMA Director. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the Chairman and EMA Director to sign the EMPG for \$10,382. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the Chairman to sign a Contract to Auction with Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers (America), Inc. for auction of Mack Trucks**

John Lang, Assistant Engineer, explained the sale of six (6) dump trucks and one (1) lowboy is part of the fleet maintenance program. By selling the equipment now as it runs out of warranty, the County maintains a fleet where any repairs are under warranty. The auction house has guaranteed a sale price of \$895,000 for the equipment with the County receiving \$790,000 after commissions. This translates to the County operating the equipment at a cost of \$.31/mile. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a Contract to Auction with Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers (America), Inc. for auction of the equipment from the Road Department. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice, the motion passed.

**Consider authorizing the addition of Chairman Kenneth Walker as signee on the Cullman County Ag Center checking account**

Chairman Walker explained the Ag Center Board has turned the operation of the Ag Center back to the County Commission. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize Chairman Walker to be added to the checking account for the Ag Center. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the Chairman to sign a one (1) year contract with Current Electrical Services for generator maintenance – Total \$2,341**

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the one year contract is for maintenance of a total of six (6) generators located at the Water Department, Jail and the POB. Current Electrical Services presented the low quote of \$2,341 annually. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract the Current Electrical Services. Upon a seconded by Commissioner Hicks the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2014-18 – Set Speed Limit on County Road 1575 at 30 MPH**

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated County Road 1575 is a short curvy road and he recommended setting the speed limit at 30 MPH. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to set the speed limit on County Road 1575 at 30 MPH. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1135 – Extension – Tires – McGriff Tire & Holly Pond Tire & Lube**

The County Engineer stated they wish to continue the split bid for tires with McGriff Tire to supply road tires and Holly Pond Tire & Lube as supplier for off-road tires. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to extend the tire bid for one (1) year as recommended by the County Engineer. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1137 – Extension – Traffic Signs – G&C Supply**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to extend the bid for one (1) year with G&C Supply for traffic signs which was seconded by Commissioner Yarbrough and passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1138 – Extension – Concrete Pipe – Hanson Pipe**

The County Engineer recommended extending the bid with Hanson Pipe for concrete pipe for one (1) year. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to extend the bid on the recommendation of the engineer. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1166 – Batteries – Stewart’s Auto Parts**

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated two good bids were received. He recommended awarding the bid to Stewart’s Auto Parts who submitted the low bid based on batteries used most by the County. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the battery bid to Stewart’s Auto Parts. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Ratify the following personnel actions:**

Rebecca Cash	Promotion	Sheriff’s Dept-Jail
Isaac Daniel Horton	New Hire-Temp	Sanitation
Whitney Tucker	Re-evaluation of Existing Job	Water
Johnny McNutt	Discharge	CARTS
Tammy Hammick	Re-evaluation of Existing Job	Sheriff’s Department
Ellen Robertson	Promotion	Commission on Aging
Melissa Brook Hice	Probation Complete	Sheriff’s Department

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to ratify all personnel actions. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Chairman Walker announced the **Delinquent Property Tax Sale** set for Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 10:00 in the commission meeting room.

**WORK SESSION**

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

**NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 25, 2014**

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting room.

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion. Chairman Walker adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

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Kenneth Walker,  
Chairman

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Darrell Hicks,  
Associate Commissioner

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Stanley Yarbrough,  
Associate Commissioner