

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
February 14, 2012

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman James Graves called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and welcomed the visitors.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The County Clerk called the roll; present were Chairman James Graves, Commissioner Darrell Hicks, Commissioner Stanley Yarbrough and County Attorney Heath Meherg. The invocation was given by Chairman Graves. Phyllis Little led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2012 MEETING, APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS, TRAVEL EXPENSES; AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.

Commissioner Yarbrough made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2012 Commission Meeting, approve appropriations, expenditures, requisitions, travel expenses and approve all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Set tax levy for 2012

Chairman Graves stated the tax levy must be set annually at the first commission meeting in February. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to set the rate at the same level as 2011. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Sammie Danford, Economic Development Director, to sign the requests for reimbursement from the grant for the individual safe rooms

Chairman Graves stated 217 applications for grants have been sent to the State EMA Office for approval. In order to expedite the reimbursement process, Ms. Danford has requested authorization to sign the necessary documentation. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize Sammie Danford to sign reimbursement documents for the individual safe rooms. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for cleanup of watershed areas affected by the April tornadoes

Jon Brunner, Acting County Engineer, stated a 90/10 grant through NRCS is available for cleanup of watershed area affected by the tornadoes. There are three sites to be targeted; Hanceville, County Road 1528 and County Road 436. Force accounts will be used against the County's ten percent match. The total project is \$113,014.00. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with the NRCS. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider approval of the Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, explained the catastrophic inmate medical insurance covers medical costs over \$10,000.00 for a county inmate. State and federal prisoners are not covered under this insurance. The premium is \$24.82 per month per inmate. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the catastrophic inmate medical insurance. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Approve the Water Department installation of a tower at the OHV Park for the advanced metering infrastructure project

Chairman Graves explained the water department is replacing existing meter with ones that can be read remotely. They are requesting permission to install a communication tower at the OHV Park for the transmission of information from the meters in the western part of the county. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the installation of the tower. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a \$1,000.00 donation to the Baldwin Community Center, a voting precinct

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Baldwin Community Center, a voting precinct. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a \$1,150.00 donation to the Cullman County Junior Beef Expo

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to donate \$1,150.00 to the Cullman County Junior Beef Expo. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider surplus of 2001 International chassis Serial # 1HTSCABM11H347896, destroyed in the April tornado, from the Sanitation Department to be sold for salvage

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to surplus the 2001 International chassis, Serial # 1HTSCABM11H347896, to be sold for salvage. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider accepting County Road 1279 into the county maintenance system

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept County Road 1279 into the county maintenance system. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Extend Bid No. 1069 for one year– Used railroad tank cars used for culverts – Gateway Pipe & Supply, Inc.

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to extend Bid No. 1069 with Gateway Pipe & Supply, Inc. for used railroad tank cars for one (1) year. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1095 – Computer Equipment – I.S. Corp

Joey Martin, IT Manager, stated one (1) bid was received for computer equipment. The bid from I.S. Corp, who currently has the bid, was lower than their previous bid. Mr. Martin recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to award Bid No. 1095 to I.S. Corp. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Bid No. 1096 – Radio Dispatch Console Equipment

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated a lightning strike in January caused about forty thousand dollars in damages to towers and equipment at the EMA Office. The cost of the new console will be covered by insurance. One bid was received from Sharp Communication for \$31,970.00. She recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the bid to Sharp Communication. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Ratify the following personnel actions:

New Hires:	Duell Fowler	Road Department – full time
	Nina Winfrey	CARTS – part time
	Donald Massey	CARTS – part time
	Gary Campbell	CARTS – part time
	Lydia Latham	Sheriff’s Department – full time
	Brandie Overton	Clarkston Bridge – part time
	Charles Sasnette	CARTS – temporary to permanent part time
Promotions:	Windell Turner	Sanitation
Transfer within the department:	Brenda Carter	CARTS – full time

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

Endorsement of traffic light in Dodge City

Chairman Graves informed the meeting the Commission has received a request from Dodge City for an endorsement of a traffic light on Hwy 69 and County Road 216. The Commission will write a letter on endorsement to Dodge City concerning the installation of a traffic light at the intersection.

The next NARCOG meeting will be February 22, 2012 at the Decatur office of NARCOG.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012

Chairman Graves announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 28, 2012 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 Graves adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

James D. Graves, Chairman

Darrell Hicks,
Associate Commissioner

Stanley Yarbrough,
Associate Commissioner

BID OPENING – February 9, 2012

Bid No. 1095 – Computer Equipment

I.S. Corp

Desktop Workstation	\$998.00
Basic Laptop Computer	\$1,125.00
Advanced Laptop Computer	\$2,120.00
Rugged Laptop Computer	\$3,705.00
Printers	
Mono Laser Printer	\$110.00
Mono laser Network Printer	\$234.00
Color Laser Printer	\$190.00
Color Laser printer w/duplexer	\$325.00
Color Laser Network Printer (Light Duty)	\$245.00
Color Laser Network Printer (Heavy Duty)	\$460.00
Color Inkjet Printer	\$88.00
Monitors	
19" LCD Monitor	\$140.00

22" LCD Monitor

\$165.00

BID OPENING – February 13, 2012

Bid No. 1096 – Radio Dispatch Console

Sharp Communication

Bid Price \$31,970.00