

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
May 8, 2014

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Vice Chairman Stanley Yarbrough 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 Commissioner Darrell Hicks, Commissioner Stanley Yarbrough and County Attorney Heath Meherg. Chairman Walker was absent due to illness. The invocation was given by Commissioner Hicks. Cherrie Haney led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 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 24, 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.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 29, 2014 EMERGENCY CALLED COMMISSION MEETING

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 29, 2014 Emergency Called Commission Meeting. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Termination of Local Emergency effective April 30, 2014

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to terminate the local emergency, caused by the tornado of April 28th, effective April 30th. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Almon Associates for Engineering and Inspection Services for the Clarkson Covered Bridge, ALDOT project: HCBPP-STPTE-2200(211)

John Lang, Assistant Engineer, explained the Bridge Bureau has given approval of all drawings for the Clarkson Bridge restoration. Neither the County Engineering Department nor the State Bridge Bureau feels comfortable to oversee the renovation project. Therefore, they feel it is advisable to have Almon Associates manage the engineering and inspection of the project. The cost is \$42,000 with the County having a 20% match. However, the bid price has come in lower than expected so there may be funds from the grant to cover all cost. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Almon Associates for engineering services for the bridge restoration project. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign a three (3) year agreement with Cullman Electric Coop for monthly billing for the Sanitation Department

Attorney Meherg explained this is a renewal of a long standing agreement with the Coop for billing services. It is beneficial to the County for the Coop to handle billing as they have the capability to better track customers through their billing system. There is a slight increase in fees over the last agreement. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a three (3) year agreement with Cullman Electric Coop for monthly billing for the Sanitation Department. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign a three (3) year agreement with Cullman Electric Coop for meter reading and monthly billing for the Water Department

Attorney Meherg stated this is an extension of the current agreement with the Coop for billing services. This agreement will put the Water Department and Sanitation Department on the same three (3) year cycle with consistent rates. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a three (3) year agreement with Cullman Electric Coop for meter reading and monthly billing for the Water Department. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Authorize the Chairman to negotiate and sign an agreement with Igniting, LLC to implement, maintain and support a mobile application for motor vehicle and property tax registration

Attorney Meherg explained the agreement is for a new mobile app for the Revenue Department. There are a few counties in the State which are utilizing the system. Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham has recommended approval of the agreement. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to negotiate and sign an agreement with Igniting, LLC to implement, maintain and support a mobile application for motor vehicle and property tax registration. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the renewal of a one (1) year service agreement with Johnston Technologies, Inc.

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the service agreement with Johnston Technologies, Inc. is for battery backup for dispatch and the Sheriff's Department has recommended renewal of the agreement. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the one (1) year service agreement with Johnston Technologies, Inc. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the purchase of the following equipment from Nextran off the ACCA Bid List:

- (6) Ox Bodies Stampede Beds @ \$25,404 each
- (6) Mack GU 713 Dumb Bed Chassis @ \$110,599 each
- (1) Mack CHU 613 Lowboy Tractor @ \$107,857
- \$5,000 ACCA fee for utilizing the bid

John Lang, Assistant Engineer, stated the equipment is to replace trucks where the warranty is expiring. Those trucks are scheduled to go to auction once the new equipment is received. By using the equipment replacement system, it is costing approximately \$.30/mile to operate the vehicles since all repairs to equipment are under warranty. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the purchase of the listed equipment from the ACCA Bid List and payment of associated fees. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize the purchase of a 1999 GMC Herbicide Diesel Truck from ALDOT Surplus, VIN # 1GDP7H1C0XJ516988 – Cost \$25,000

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated the herbicide truck has approximately 66,000 miles. With the purchase of the equipment it is hoped the additional spraying capability will facilitate ROW maintenance and help reduce the cost of bush hogging. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the purchase of a 1999 GMC herbicide diesel truck from ALDOT Surplus, VIN # 1GDP7H1C0XJ516988, at a cost of \$25,000. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to request a waiver for additional recreational trails program grants and submit an application

Cherrie Haney, Director of Economic Development, stated the County currently has an outstanding recreational trail grant for lighting at the OHV Park. In order to make application for another grant for a walking trail bridge, a waiver must be obtained. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to request a waiver for the application of an additional recreational trails grant. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an amended contract with Pro Lawn Service to include lawn maintenance at the Economic Development Office, DHR Building and County POB

Attorney Meherg stated the original contract with Pro Lawn Service was for lawn maintenance of the courthouse and the block south of the courthouse. The amended contract will include the Economic Development Office, DHR Building and the County POB. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an amended contract with Pro Lawn Service for maintenance. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Cintas for supply of mats from the North Alabama Cooperative Purchasing Association Bid List

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, explained the contract is for interior and exterior mats used in various departments throughout the County. The North Alabama Cooperative Purchasing Association bid price is lower than the County can contract with Cintas directly. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the signing of a contract with Cintas using the Cooperative Bid Price. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Bethsadia VFD for \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve a request from the Bethsadia VFD for \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request for \$300 for the Touring Farms for Kids summer program

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the request for \$300 for the Touring Farms for Kids summer program. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request for \$1,000 to the Cullman County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments for support of their trip to Washington D.C. to receive the 2014 Congressional Fire Service Award

Commissioner Yarbrough congratulated the VFD for their selection as the recipient of the 2014 Congressional Fire Service Institute/MedicAlert Foundation, Excellence in Fire Service-Based EMS Award. Commissioner Hicks made a motion for the donation of \$1,000 to support the trip to Washington D.C. to receive the award. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from Drummond Company, Inc. for the vacating of a portion of County Road 8

Attorney Meherg stated the section of County Road 8 under consideration is an older curvy area of the road. A new section is to be built but the County must obtain a deed from Drummond Company for the new section before the vacation can take place. He recommended proceeding with the advertising for the vacating of a portion of the road and probably the vacating and the transfer of the deeded property will take place at the same time. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to proceed with the vacating process. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Consider granting an extension for surety bond on Shadowrock Estates, Phase 1, located in District 2 on County Road 907

Keith Creel, Engineering Assistant, stated the developer is currently working on paving the roads in the subdivision; however, the work will not be completed when the current surety bond expires June 11th. He recommended extending the surety bond until August 1, 2014 to give time for paving to be completed. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to grant an extension until August 1, 2014 of the surety bond on Shadowrock Estates, Phase 1, located in District 2 on County Road 907. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider granting an extension for surety bond on Lakeshore West, Phase VIII and VIII-A, located in District 2 off County Road 175

Keith Creel, Engineering Assistant, explained the paving work will not be completed by June 11th when the surety bond expires and he recommended an extension until August 1, 2014 to allow time for the developer to complete the project. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to grant and extension of the surety bond on Lakeshore West, Phase VIII and VIII-A, located in District 2 off County Road 175. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1111 –Extension (1) year – Fuel – Eidson Petroleum, Inc.

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated Eidson Petroleum, who currently has the fuel bid, has given the County good service and he recommended extending the bid. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to extend the bid for one (1) year with Eidson Petroleum, Inc. for fuel. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider surplus of the following items to be disposed of as scrap:

Commission Office	HP Laptop	Serial # TW24408068
Data Processing	Jetta Jetbook Laptop	
Reappraisal	Fijitsu Scanner	Serial # 6021
Reappraisal	Fijitsu Scanner	Serial # 612

Ken Walling from the IT Department stated the equipment is outdated and has been stripped of all usable parts and needs to be scrapped. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to surplus the listed equipment for disposal. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Ratify the following personnel actions:

Larry Traylor	New Hire	CARTS
Diane Harper	Promotion	CARTS
Jerry Bradford	New Hire	CARTS
Stanley Cowley	Discharge	CARTS
Alex Thompson	New Hire-Seasonal	Sportsman Lake
Anthony Frezza	New Hire-Seasonal	Sportsman Lake
Lindsey Cagle	New Hire-Seasonal	Sportsman Lake
Isaac Horton	Resignation	Sanitation
Jada Smith	New Hire-Temp	Economic Dev.
Billy Smith	Resignation	Water Dept
Kevin Bowers	Promotion	Sheriff's Dept
Todd Reynolds	Promotion	Sheriff's Dept
Nicholas Buchanan	Probation Complete	Sheriff's Dept-Jail
Kristina Ostberg	Discharge	Animal Control
Ronnie Parker	Retired	Road Dept
Louise Moore	Retired	Probate
Bobby McGriff	Retired	Garage

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

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MAY 27, 2014

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, May 27, 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 for the adjournment of the meeting at 10:18.

(ABSENT)
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/
Darrell Hicks,
Associate Commissioner

/s/
Stanley Yarbrough,
Associate Commissioner