

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
November 8, 2011

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman James Graves called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:07 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 Tim Culpepper. The invocation was given by Randall Waldrep. Roy Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2011 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 October 25, 2011 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

Edna Leeth addressed the commission about her inability to get an appointment with the commissioners.

Chairman Graves made a correction of an article in this morning's *Cullman Times*. The headline stated the County was doing resurface work on AL Hwy 69. The article itself went on to accurately report the resurfacing of County Road 109. He wanted to reassure the public the County is not resurfacing state highways.

It was also announced that there will be a job fair held Friday and Saturday for the 250 new jobs at Topre America.

NEW BUSINESS

Recognize \$4,000,000 tax abatement for REHAU, Inc. expansion

Although it requires no action by the Commission, Chairman Graves announced the City of Cullman has approved a \$4 million abatement for REHAU, Inc. for the addition of new manufacturing equipment and upgrades to support expanding business.

Ratify the transfer of funds received from Travelers Insurance for Camp Meadowbrook storm damages to Soil and Conservation

The County has received the insurance proceeds from Travelers Insurance for the April storm damage at Camp Meadowbrook. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to ratify the transfer of those insurance funds to Soil and Conservation. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Eidson & Associates to oversee the roof bid for the courthouse under the Project Management Agreement

Chairman Graves stated the bid for the roof was awarded to Bonner Roofing. Eidson & Associates has the bid for the exterior renovation and they were approved in the October 11th Commission Meeting as the project manager. The Commission desires to include the roof replacement under the management agreement. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize Eidson & Associates to oversee the roof bid under the management agreement. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passes on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Phyllis Little, EMA Director, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Wallace State Community College and the Alabama Department of Human Resources (DHR) for the operation of community evacuation shelters during a disaster

Tim Culpepper, County Attorney, stated the MOU spells out the responsibilities of each agency should it become necessary to set up a community evacuation shelter. This has been done in the past during hurricane evacuations and during a previous winter storm when it became necessary to house travelers off the interstate. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the signing of the MOU between the County EMA, Wallace State Community College and DHR. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider approval of an upgrade with Gorrie-Regan for the employee attendance time clock program

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated Gorrie-Regan has the software for the County's time clock. We have maxed out the 500 employees the license supports. The smallest number available for the upgrade is an additional 250 employees which he recommended. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the upgrade with Gorrie-Regan for the attendance time clock program. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider donation of \$1,000 to the Grandview Community Center, a polling place

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Grandview Community Center. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider donation of \$1,000 to the Brushy Pond Community Center, a polling place

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Brushy Pond Community Center. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider donation of \$1,000 to Beat 8 Community Center, a polling place

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Beat 8 Community Center. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Resolution 2012-02 Revised – Regulating the Use of Roadways in Cullman County Relating to Timber Harvesting

Chairman Graves stated after the original resolution was passed individuals from the timber industry had concerns and suggestions. The resolution has now been revised to address some of those concerns. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the revised version of

Resolution 2012-02 dealing with the use of county roadways relating to timber harvesting. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2012-05 – Set speed limit on County Road 695 at 25 MPH

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to set the speed limit on County Road 695 at 25 MPH at the recommendation of the county engineer. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2012-06 – ALDOT Agreement - Resurfacing County Road 1669 from city limits of Holly Pond to the city limits of Fairview

Fred Penn, County Engineer, stated the bid has been let for the project which will be this year’s federal aid road project. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the signing of the agreement with ALDOT for the resurfacing of County Road 1669 from the city limits of Holly Pond to the city limits of Fairview. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2012-07 - To Amend Resolution 2000-47 Regarding The Use Of Credit Cards To Make Payments To Cullman County

Mr. Culpepper stated this is an amendment to a prior resolution which required the department to pass along any credit card fees to the citizens. This resolution will allow departments, basically Revenue and Probate, to pass credit card fees to the customer or to absorb the cost in their discretionary fund or as a budgeted item of future budgets of that department. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the resolution amending the use of credit cards to make payments to Cullman County. Commissioner Hicks seconded which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Extension Bid No. 1079 –Structural Steel - Shelton Steel

Mr. Penn stated Shelton Steel has agreed to an extension of the bid for structural steel used in bridge work at the current bid price. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to extend Bid No. 1079 for structural steel to Shelton Steel. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of various materials from the garage

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to surplus various materials from the county garage. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Ratify the following personnel actions:

Retired	James Hunt	Road		
Department			Gerald Gaddis	Road
Department				
Resignation	Richard Partain	Economic Development		
Jacob Viger		Sportsman Lake		
Michael Wells		Sheriff’s Department		
New Hire	Derek Frasier	Animal Shelter – Temp to full time		
Linda Costello		Economic Development - Temporary		
Raise	Daniel Presley	Road Department		

Promotion William Montgomery Sheriff Department
Douglas Duke Sheriff Department

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

The next NARCOG meeting will be November 23, 2011 at the Decatur office of NARCOG.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2011

Chairman Graves announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, November 22, 2011 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.

/s/ _____

James D. Graves, Chairman
Hicks,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____

Darrell
Stanley Yarbrough,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____