

**CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**January 8, 2013**

**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, Commissioner Stanley Yarbrough and County Attorney Heath Meherg. The invocation was given by Commissioner Hicks. Ben Harrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2012 MEETING, APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.**

Commissioner Yarbrough made the motion to approve the minutes from the December 20, 2012 Commission Meeting, approve appropriations, expenditures, requisitions and approve all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Confirm tax abatement by the City of Cullman for RCM, Inc. for additional machinery in the amount of \$500,000**

Heath Meherg, County Attorney, explained the City of Cullman has done a tax abatement for RMC, Inc. d/b/a Clay Machining for additional machinery in the amount of \$500,000. Without action by the Commission, the abatement will go into effect in ten days; however there is the option for the Commission to confirm the abatement without the waiting period. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to confirm the tax abatement. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the Chairman to negotiate and consider the purchase of property located at 2010 Beech Ave SE for the Cullman County Water Department**

Chairman Walker explained the property being consider is located adjacent to the Water Department/EMA Office on Beech Avenue. Purchase of the property was previously considered; however the price was higher than the County was willing to pay. It is believed a price can now be negotiated. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the Chairman to negotiate and consider the purchase of the property located at 2010 Beech Ave SE for the Cullman County Water Department. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the surplus of 2005 Dodge Caravan VIN # 2D8GP44L95221794 from CARTS, vehicle totaled in wreck, and accept insurance proceeds of \$9,474.55**

Chairman Walker stated the van was totaled in an accident and the insurance settlement is \$9,474.55. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to surplus the 2005 Dodge Caravan, VIN # 2D8GP44L95221794, from CARTS and accept the insurance proceeds. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

**Consider donation of \$1,150 to the 2013 Cullman County 4-H & FFA Junior Livestock Expo**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to donate \$1,150.00 to the 2013 Cullman County 4-H & FFA Junior Livestock Expo which will be held in February. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Approve the purchase of pipe for the repair of the dam/walking trail at Sportsman Lake from Harvey Culvert Co., Inc. – total \$8,379.84**

Commissioner Yarbrough explained the pipe was damaged by the Road Department during repairs being made to the dam at Sportsman Lake. Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated the pipe was an old galvanized pipe that had deteriorated. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to purchase the pipe from Harvey Culvert Co., Inc. at a cost of \$8,379.84. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Chairman Walker to appoint Karen Hill to the Cullman County Agricultural Development Board for a four (4) year term expiring 9-30-2016 replacing Kenneth Neal**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to appoint Karen Hill to the Cullman County Agricultural Development Board for a four (4) year term expiring 9-30-2016 replacing Kenneth Neal. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice, the motion carried.

**Bid No. 1122 – Landscape Project**

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated 9 Yards Landscaping was the overall low bidder for the installation of the landscape, alternate structure projects and maintenance for one year with a bid of \$40,900. He recommended awarding the bid for the landscape work at the courthouse. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the bid for the courthouse landscape. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1123 – Bituminous Plant Mix**

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated there were three (3) bids for bituminous plant mix. He recommended splitting the bid with Good Hope Contracting having the bid for furnished and installed mix and Wiregrass Construction Company as the supplier for material or delivered product. Commission Yarbrough made a motion to award the bid according to the county engineer's recommendation. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Ratify the following personnel actions:**

New Hire:	Bryan Grimmett	OHV Park – full time provisional
Pay raise:	Donna Marcella	CARTS -status was changed in previous meeting, failed to adjust pay accordingly
Reinstatement of pay grade and pay scale:		
	James Pair	Sanitation – full time
Reduction in Force:	Brandie Overton	Clarkston Covered Bridge – part time

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

**NEXT REGUALR COMMISION MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013**

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 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 10:09 a.m.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Kenneth Walker,  
Chairman

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Darrell Hicks,  
Associate Commissioner

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Stanley Yarbrough,  
Associate Commissioner