

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
August 27, 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 J.L. Parker. Gordon Sandlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 13, 2013 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.

Commissioner Hicks made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 13, 2013 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

Senator Paul Bussman presented Proclamations of Thanks to the following groups for their work in the preparation and execution of the *Rock the South* event which was held earlier this year: CARTS; EMA; EMS; Liquefied Petroleum Officer; Fire Marshall; Sheriff's Office and State Troopers assigned to Cullman County. Chairman Walker also expressed thanks to those involved in the event.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider approval of payment of back compensation for Sheriff

Attorney Meherg stated the County Administrator has determined the Sheriff is owed back compensation of approximately \$15,000 based on the current Attorney General Opinion. Commissioner Hicks asked if the State Examiners have reviewed and agree with the AG's opinion. Mr. Meherg stated they have not given the County anything concerning their current view of the AG's opinion. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to postpone the approval of any payment to the Sheriff until a written opinion from the State Examiners is obtained. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider, based on a request by petitioners, beginning the process of vacating County Road 828

Attorney Meherg stated a petition from eight to ten residents on County Road 828 has been received requesting the County vacate the road. This is a small pass-through road that has little traffic. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the advertising to be done setting a public hearing date for the vacating of County Road 828. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Center Hill Community Center for \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support to the Center Hill Community Center. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider a request from the Valley Grove Community Center for \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion of approve \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support to the Valley Grove Community Center. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Joppa Volunteer Fire Department for \$500 for polling maintenance and operational support

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve a request from the Joppa Fire Department for polling maintenance and operational support in the amount of \$500. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider approval of expenditure of \$8,543 to H & R Commercial Flooring for new flooring for the Economic Development Office renovation

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the flooring for the renovations at the Economic Development Office was not included in the bid. Since the expenditure is over \$5,000, the purchase requires Commission approval. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the purchase of flooring from H&R Commercial Flooring at a cost of \$8,543. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize the County Administrator to sign change orders for the Economic Development Office renovations

Mr. Teichmiller stated there will be some minor change orders for the Economic Development Office project as it nears completion. By authorizing him to sign the change orders, a change can be made without the delay of waiting for a commission meeting for approval. This will be for minor changes only. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the County Administrator to sign change orders for the Economic Development renovation. Commissioner Hick seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1144 – Routing Software for CARTS

Mr. Teichmiller stated one bid was received for the routing software for CARTS. RouteMatch Software submitted a bid of \$192,758. CARTS has received an ALDOT grant for the equipment. The County will have a 20% match of \$38,552. Joyce Echols, Director of CARTS has recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award the bid for routing software to RouteMatch Software. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1149 – Plastic Pipe

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, state two bids were received. Harvey Culvert Co., Inc. was the low bidder for the pipe. He recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to award the bid for plastic pipe to Harvey Culvert Co., Inc. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGUALR COMMISION MEETING AUGUST 27, 2013

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, September 10, 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 10:17 a.m.

/s/ _____
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/ _____
Darrell Hicks,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____
Stanley Yarbrough,
Associate Commission