

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

December 20, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS

Chairman Clemons called the Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Call of Roll to Establish Quorum

Tiffany Merriman, County Clerk, called roll; present were Chairman Jeff Clemons, Commissioner Kerry Watson, Commissioner Garry Marchman, Commissioner Kelly Duke, Commissioner Corey Freeman, County Administrator John Bullard, County Attorney Emily Johnston, and County Engineer Bryan Cheatwood. Pastor Ory Hampton gave the invocation. EMA Director Tim Sartin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2022, MEETING, APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, PERSONNEL ACTIONS, PAYROLL, AND REQUISITIONS, AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2022, meeting, appropriations, expenditures, personnel actions, payroll, and requisitions, and approve all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comments/Updates

Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham addressed the Commission and stated our satellite offices starting March 1, 2023, will be cashless. The main reason is security. Our satellite offices are sometimes manned by one person, and it is a safety hazard. We do have magnetic doors at the Baileyton and Dodge City offices. Mr. Willingham stated they will put out PSAs, newspaper articles, and posts for a couple of months for the public.

Chairman Clemons stated we had our Senior Christmas Party at Stonebridge Friday, December 16, 2022. I cannot thank Commission on Aging Director Stephanie Lawson and her staff for the great job they have done. It was amazing. We had over 700 seniors there. This is a blessing for our community.

The Sheriff's Rodeo was a couple of weeks ago. If anyone went, it was standing room only. We cannot thank Sheriff Matt Gentry and his staff for what they do. It is amazing what they do for our community. Our Christmas lights at Sportsman Lake Park were a success again this year. Saturday night they made \$16,000. We have people from across the state to come to look at the lights.

Sanitation routes will run one day behind schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

Recognition: Karen Campbell retiring after 24 years of service with the Reappraisal Department

Chairman Clemons thanked Ms. Campbell for her service. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the Recognition: Karen Campbell retiring after 24 years of service with the Reappraisal Department. Commissioner Watson seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Recognition: Ricky Weissend retiring after 25 years of service with the Maintenance Department

Chairman Clemons stated it has been an honor to know and work with Mr. Weissend. Thank you for your service. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the Recognition: Ricky Weissend retiring after 25 years of service with the Maintenance Department. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Proclamation: Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Day

County Administrator John Bullard read the Proclamation aloud. Ashley and Chris Dover with the Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force received the Proclamation. Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve the Proclamation: Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Day. Commissioner Duke seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Resolution 2023-06: Renewal ACCA Liability Fund for the contract period ending December 31, 2023, in the amount of \$473,293.94

County Administrator John Bullard stated this is just our annual renewal for liability insurance. Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-06: Renewal ACCA Liability Fund for the contract period ending December 31, 2023, in the amount of \$473,293.94. Commissioner Watson seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-07: Opting Into Electronic Meeting Participation

County Attorney Emily Johnston addressed the Commission and stated this will allow us to participate in a meeting electronically if you were to become ill. If you do pass this resolution, it will not become effective until the February Meeting. A quorum does physically have to be present for you to participate. This is the result of COVID and what we saw in regards to electronic meetings. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-07: Opting Into Electronic Meeting Participation. Commissioner Freeman seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2023-08: change speed to 35 mph on County Road 1545 from County Road 1474 to US Highway 69 (Approximately 1.8 miles)

County Engineer Bryan Cheatwood stated his staff has reviewed this section and due to some of the subdivision development in the future, I do recommend approval of this resolution. Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08: change speed to 35 mph on County Road 1545 from County Road 1474 to US Highway 69 (Approximately 1.8 miles). Commissioner Watson seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Resolution 2023-09: Closing County Offices due to inclement weather

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-09: Closing County Offices due to inclement weather. Commissioner Freeman seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Ratify the annual premium for the Volunteer Fire Workers' Compensation insurance in the amount of \$12,938.00

County Administrator John Bullard stated this comes out of their budget. We allocate this money for them every year and it covers all the volunteer firefighters in the county. Commissioner Duke made a motion to Ratify the annual premium for the Volunteer Fire Workers' Compensation insurance in the amount of \$12,938.00. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Chairman to sign an agreement to purchase a static UH-1 Helicopter for Veteran's Park in the amount of \$35,000 from Friends of Army aviation and issue a check for \$17,500 as a down payment. This is a joint venture with the Cullman County Tourism Board, the City of Cullman, and the Veteran's Park Board, and reimbursement to the County will be made from those entities

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Consider painting of the UH-1 helicopter with John Wayne Ryals in the amount of \$12,000

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve the painting of the UH-1 helicopter with John Wayne Ryals in the amount of \$12,000. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Chairman to appoint Dr. Michael Schendel to the Veteran's Memorial Park Advisory Board to replace Ken Brown

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Chairman to appoint Dr. Michael Schendel to the Veteran's Memorial Park Advisory Board to replace Ken Brown. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Commissioner Duke to appoint Don Fallin to the Veteran's Memorial Park Advisory Board

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve Commissioner Duke to appoint Don Fallin to the Veteran's Memorial Park Advisory Board. Commissioner Marchman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize Commissioner Freeman to appoint Chris Denney to the Veterans Memorial Park Advisory Board

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve Commissioner Freeman to appoint Chris Denney to the Veterans Memorial Park Advisory Board. Commissioner Watson seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize Commissioner Duke to replace Commissioner Watson on the NARCOG Board

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve Commissioner Duke to replace Commissioner Watson on the NARCOG Board. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Consider Commissioner Duke's nominee, Waid Harbison, for appointment to the Industrial Development Board for a term to expire 1/19/2029 to replace Lisa Baggett

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Commissioner Duke's nominee, Waid Harbison, for appointment to the Industrial Development Board for a term to expire on 1/19/2029 to replace Lisa Baggett. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The vote passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Consider Commissioner Marchman's nominee, Jason Grimmatt, for reappointment to the Industrial Development Board for a term to expire 1/19/2029

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to approve Commissioner Marchman's nominee, Jason Grimmatt, for reappointment to the Industrial Development Board for a term to expire on 1/19/2029. Commissioner Duke seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Consider agreement with ADECA to participate in Low Income Household Water Assistance Program through Community Action Partnership and authorize Chairman to sign all related paperwork

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve an agreement with ADECA to participate in Low Income Household Water Assistance Program through Community Action Partnership and authorize Chairman to sign all related paperwork. Commissioner Watson seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the repair of the Cullman County Courthouse Security area roof by Willoughby Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc in the amount of \$13,390.00 and authorize Chairman to sign all related paperwork

County Administrator John Bullard addressed the Commission and stated this will fix an area that has been leaking for a while. This is a substantial need. They were the lowest quote. Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve the repair of the Cullman County Courthouse Security area roof by Willoughby Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc in the amount of \$13,390.00 and authorize Chairman to sign all related paperwork. Commissioner Freeman seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote,

Consider correction of the clerical error for the October 17, 2023, meeting date. The Commission Meeting Day should be changed from Thursday to Tuesday.

County Administrator John Bullard stated the date was correct. The day was listed incorrectly. It should be Tuesday instead of Thursday. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the correction of the clerical error for the October 17, 2023, meeting date. The Commission Meeting Day should be changed from Thursday to Tuesday. Commissioner Marchman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Consider moving the January Meeting from January 19, 2023, to January 10, 2023, due to a scheduling conflict on the 19th.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve moving the January Meeting from January 19, 2023, to January 10, 2023, due to a scheduling conflict on the 19th. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider putting dumpsters at various locations throughout the county for Christmas

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve putting dumpsters at various locations throughout the county for Christmas. Commissioner Freeman seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of a 2000 GMC Sierra pick-up (Vin # 1GTEC14V1YE321603) from the Courthouse to be auctioned on GovDeals

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve the surplus of a 2000 GMC Sierra pick-up (Vin # 1GTEC14V1YE321603) from the Courthouse to be auctioned on GovDeals. Commissioner Freeman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Consider the surplus of the following items from the Water Department to be auctioned on GovDeals

- 2014 Ford F-450 (Vin # 1FD0W4HT9EEA26624)
- 2013 International 4400 (Vin # 3HAMKAAR2DL236426)
- 2007 Chevrolet 3500 (Vin # 1GBJK34D37E104092)
- 2012 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Vin # 1GCRKPE72CZ253871)
- 2016 Ford F-150 (Vin # 1FTFX1EF3GFA72973)
- 2012 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Vin # 3GCPKSE71CG167199)
- McElroy TracStar 28 (Vin # T800105)
- Honda Generator 3500
- Briggs and Stratton tiler 4.0

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the surplus of the following items from the Water Department to be auctioned on GovDeals: 2014 Ford F-450 (Vin # 1FD0W4HT9EEA26624), 2013 International 4400 (Vin # 3HAMKAAR2DL236426), 2007 Chevrolet 3500 (Vin # 1GBJK34D37E104092), 2012 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Vin # 1GCRKPE72CZ253871), 2016 Ford F-150 (Vin # 1FTFX1EF3GFA72973), 2012 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Vin # 3GCPKSE71CG167199), McElroy TracStar 28 (Vin # T800105), Honda Generator 3500, Briggs and Stratton tiler 4.0. Commissioner Duke seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of a front loader attachment for skid steer from the Water Department to be sold to the Town of Garden City in the amount of \$2,000

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve the surplus of a front loader attachment for skid steer from the Water Department to be sold to the Town of Garden City in the amount of \$2,000. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of a 2018 Jeep Compass (Vin # 3C4NJDABXJT456070) from Reappraisal to be transferred to the Airport

County Administrator John Bullard stated we would like to postpone this item indefinitely to let us work on it. We may be able to find them a different vehicle and to bring it back for your approval later. Commissioner Watson approved postponing the surplus of a 2018 Jeep Compass (Vin # 3C4NJDABXJT456070) from Reappraisal to be transferred to the Airport. Commissioner Marchman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Award Bid # 1421: to APEIRO Solutions LLC in the amount of \$34,284 for one (1) or more Industrial standup Fogger(s) and Backpack Fogger with an extra battery at the Cullman County Detention Center

Commissioner Watson made a motion to Award Bid # 1421: to APEIRO Solutions LLC in the amount of \$34,284 for one (1) or more Industrial standup Fogger(s) and Backpack Fogger with an extra battery at the Cullman County Detention Center. Commissioner Duke seconded. The vote passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Award Bid # 1422: to LINEV Systems in the amount of \$146,000 for the purchase and installation of one (1) or more Full-Body Scanners with thermal Sensor at the Cullman County Detention Center

Commissioner Marchman asked if these bids were done through a grant? County Administrator John Bullard replied yes, sir. There are three on here for the Detention Center. They are a 100% grant through the Alabama Department of Public

Health. Commissioner Marchman asked does this include Item BB? Mr. Bullard stated it includes Item Z, Item AA, and Item BB. Commissioner Freeman made a motion to Award Bid # 1422: to LINEV Systems in the amount of \$146,000 for the purchase and installation of one (1) or more Full-Body Scanners with thermal sensor at the Cullman County Detention Center. Commissioner Duke seconded, and the motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

Award Bid # 1423: to Infrared Cameras Inc (ICI) in the amount of \$305,650 for one (1) or more LWTR Fixed Mount Skin Temperature Measurement System(s) at the Cullman County Detention Center

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Award Bid # 1424: to Temperature Pro in the amount of \$9,373 for a three-ton single packaged heat pump to be installed at the Clarkson Bridge Cabin

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to Award Bid # 1424: to Temperature Pro in the amount of \$9,373 for a three-ton single-packaged heat pump to be installed at the Clarkson Bridge Cabin. Commissioner Duke seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

WORK SESSION

Chairman Clemons announced the next Commission Meeting will be Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM

Chairman Clemons announced the next Commission Meeting will be Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.

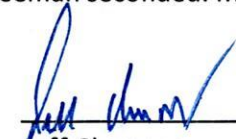
ADJOURN THE MEETING

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Freeman seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

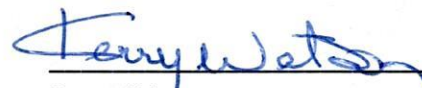
Attest:




Tiffany Merriman,
County Clerk



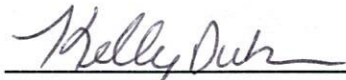
Jeff Clemons,
Chairman



Kerry Watson,
Commissioner



Garry Marchman,
Commissioner



Kelly Duke,
Commissioner



Corey Freeman,
Commissioner