

**Commission Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2025**

**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 Clemons, Commissioner Watson, Commissioner Marchman, Commissioner Duke, County Administrator John Bullard, County Attorney Brad Wilson, and County Engineer Philip Widner. Matt Smith gave the invocation. Commission on Aging Director Stephanie Lawson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2025, MEETING, APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, PERSONNEL ACTIONS, PAYROLL, AND REQUISITIONS, AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED**

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the minutes of January 23, 2025, meeting, appropriations, expenditures, personnel actions, payroll, and requisitions, and approve all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Public Comments/Updates**

- Grace Trevino
- Darrell Graham

Grace Trevino addressed the Commission on concerns she has on Serenity Estates Subdivision. She stated it is taking a 6-acre piece of land that is naturally a low-lying area that has ditches and a natural runoff reservoir, and they are proposing 10 houses on it. The previous owner stated it would not percolate and would affect the drainage to our property, the nearby roads and the ponds across the street, etc. The property is in the bend of the road where you have two other roads that come in with an offset. We have seen multiple accidents on this road. Our concern is that we do not have the infrastructure in place to be able to handle the additional traffic. Creating crowding will change the ambiance of the area. There will be more noise, and environmental pollution, additional septic tanks will affect the livelihoods and all the people who live around this area. This also may affect the crime rate in our area.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2025-22: set Deputy Coroner pay in Cullman County**

Cullman County Coroner Jeremy Kilpatrick stated the current pay scale is \$20 a day, \$25 a call-out. It has been this way for 12 years or longer. As the call volume increased, and I have to rely on other help to cover all the calls.

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-22: set Deputy Coroner pay in Cullman County. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2025-23: Supporting transferring maintenance responsibilities of County Road 222 to ALDOT**

Cullman County Engineer Philip Widner stated this is a letter of support. There are no guarantees that they will allow this, but we are asking.

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-23: Supporting transferring maintenance responsibilities of County Road 222 to ALDOT. Commissioner Duke seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize payment to Shane Linton for flooring in the courthouse in the amount of \$20,125**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve payment to Shane Linton for flooring in the courthouse in the amount of \$20,125. Commissioner Duke seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize Chairman to sign agreement with The Elyse Reeves Foundation to host Ride for a Cure at Stony Lonesome OHV Park March 7, 2025-March 9, 2025**

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve Chairman to sign agreement with The Elyse Reeves Foundation to host Ride for a Cure at Stony Lonesome OHV Park March 7, 2025-March 9, 2025. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider authorization for Karma's Coffee to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on April 1, 2025, from 7:30 am-1:00 pm**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Karma's Coffee to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on April 1, 2025, from 7:30 am-1:00 pm. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider authorization for Northbrook Church to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on April 6, 2025, from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Northbrook Church to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on April 6, 2025, from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider authorization for Swamp John's to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on May 30, 2025, from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm to host Santa for Seniors**

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve Swamp John's to use the south parking lot of the Cullman County Courthouse on May 30, 2025, from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm to host Santa for Seniors. Commissioner Duke seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider America 250 Patriot Project to be placed at Veteran's Park sponsored by the Dripping Springs Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve for America 250 Patriot Project to be placed at Veteran's Park sponsored by the Dripping Springs Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider revised agreement with Ameritek for Revenue Department to reduce monthly cost**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve revised agreement with Ameritek for Revenue Department to reduce monthly cost. Commissioner Duke seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider rescinding Cooperative Road Maintenance agreement between Cullman County and Winston County**

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve rescinding Cooperative Road Maintenance agreement between Cullman County and Winston County. Commissioner Duke seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider quote from Southeastern Laundry Equipment for one (1) UniMac Washer and (1) UniMac Dryer in the amount of \$23,804.64 for the Cullman County Jail**

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve quote from Southeastern Laundry Equipment for one (1) UniMac Washer and (1) UniMac Dryer in the amount of \$23,804.64 for the Cullman County Jail. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of the following vehicles for the Water Department off state bid:**

- 2025 Silverado 1500 Fleet 4WD (AL Contract # MA240000004917) in the amount of \$48,250.12
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**Ratify Work Order for brick cleaning from Matthew Cole with Lightnin & Sons Brick Cleaning for the Cullman County Detention Center in the amount of \$ 16,625**

Commissioner Duke made a motion to Ratify Work Order for brick cleaning from Matthew Cole with Lightnin & Sons Brick Cleaning for the Cullman County Detention Center in the amount of \$ 16,625. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resubdivide of lot 3 in Long Branch Pointe Subdivision. A major subdivision approved by County Commission on June 18, 2024, located in Commission District 4 on County Road 2108, off County Road 41**

County Engineer Philip Widner addressed the Commission and stated that developer is wanting to split one of the larger lots into 2 lots.

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve Resubdivide of lot 3 in Long Branch Pointe Subdivision. A major subdivision approved by County Commission on June 18, 2024, located in Commission District 4 on County Road 2108, off County Road 41. Commissioner Duke seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Proposed plat Avalon Farms Subdivision. A minor subdivision containing 6 Lots in Commission District 4. The subdivision is located on County Road 201 across the road from County Road 175 at the entrance to Lake Shore West Subdivision**

County Engineer Philip Widner stated that this is a minor subdivision containing 6 lots. No new roads will be added to our road system.

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve Proposed plat Avalon Farms Subdivision. A minor subdivision containing 6 Lots in Commission District 4. The subdivision is located on County Road 201 across the road from County Road 175 at the entrance to Lake Shore West Subdivision. Commissioner Duke seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Proposed preliminary plat Serenity Estates Subdivision. A minor subdivision containing 9 Lots in Commission District 1. The subdivision is located on County Road 1545 at the intersection of County Road 1495, half a mile West of the Fairview/Eva Road**

County Engineer Philip Widner addressed the Commission and stated it is a minor subdivision and there will be no new roads added to the road system.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Proposed preliminary plat Serenity Estates Subdivision. A minor subdivision containing 9 Lots in Commission District 1. The subdivision is located on County Road 1545 at the intersection of County Road 1495, half a mile West of the Fairview/Eva Road. Commissioner Duke seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Award Bid # 1477: for concrete pad to Hood Brothers Concrete, LLC**

Commissioner Duke made a motion to approve to Award Bid # 1477: for concrete pad to Hood Brothers Concrete, LLC. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**The next Commission Work Session will be on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room**

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**The next Commission Meeting will be Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room**

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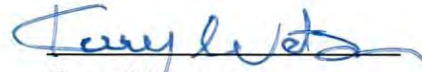
**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Duke seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Attest:



Tiffany Merriman,  
County Clerk

  
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Jeff Clemons,  
Chairman  
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Kerry Watson,  
Commissioner  
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Garry Marchman,  
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Kelly Duke,  
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Corey Freeman,  
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