

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
June 13, 2017

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Walker called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

The County Clerk called the roll; present were Chairman Kenneth Walker, Commissioner Kerry Watson, Commissioner Garry Marchman, County Administrator Gary Teichmiller and County Attorney Chad Floyd. The invocation was given by Chuck Worley. Sheriff Matt Gentry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MAY 23, 2017 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2017 Commission Meeting; approve appropriations, expenditures, payroll, requisitions and all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Walker reported on the "Free Dump" program which the County sponsors every year during the month of May. The program provides an opportunity for customers to get rid of unwanted items and no cost and helps to eliminate illegal dump sites. This year 753 tons of trash were brought to the landfill by sanitation customers which cost the County Sanitation Department approximately \$27,000.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider vacating a portion of County Road 1615

Action on vacating of County Road 1615 was tabled at the previous meeting on May 23, 2017. A petition was presented to the Commission of those opposing the closing of the road. Commissioner Watson made a motion to deny the petitioner, AGCOR Steel, request to have the road closed; the road will remain open. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Ratify payment of \$8,615 to Kroll Ontrack for recovery of hard drive data for the Revenue Department

Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham was out of town and Chairman Walker reported a server in the Revenue Department "crashed" and data must be recovered. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the payment of \$8,615 to Kroll Ontrack for recovery of hard drive data. Commissioner Watson seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider approval of renewal of one year hardware/software maintenance contract with HiComp for AS400 – Cost \$5,488.55

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the renewal of a year hardware/software maintenance contract with HiComp for AS400 for \$5,488.55. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Alabama Bicentennial Committee for \$5,000 to promote tourism in connection the Alabama Bicentennial Celebration

Drew Green, Chairman of the Cullman County Bicentennial Committee, addressed the Commission on plans for the celebration which will culminate in December 2019, 200 years after Alabama became a state. The kick-off took place on March 3rd, the date Alabama became a territory. The theme for the celebration is "Remembering Our History – Planning for Our Future". Each year will focus on a different aspect of the state; 2017- Places; 2018 – People; 2019 – Stories. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the \$5,000 appropriation to the 200 Alabama Bicentennial Committee for promotion of tourism in connection with the bicentennial celebration. Commissioner Watson seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider entering into a two-year Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce to promote Cullman County for the purpose of creating quality job growth, building the tax base and increasing sales tax revenues

This is part of the Chamber of Commerce's five-year plan for development in Cullman County. They are requesting a commitment of \$125,000 annually over the next two year with and additional three year renewal. Commissioner Watson made a motion to table any action on the agreement until the Commission has more time to research the benefits and who the other participants in the project will be. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of the following vehicles from the Sheriff's Department to be donated to State Probation and Parole

2010 Dodge Charger	VIN# 2B3AA4CTXAH182092
2010 Chevy Tahoe	VIN# 1GNMCAE02AR200955

Sheriff Gentry stated the vehicles are high mileage and have had some maintenance issues. State Probation and Parole have requested the vehicles for use in their program which requires checking on parolees. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the surplus and donation of the listed vehicles from the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Watson seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider bid proposal for renovations for Commission on Aging building

Chairman Walker reported the bids which were received were in the \$260,000 range, but the County had budgeted about \$150,000 for the project. After discussion, the design will be reevaluated and the project will be re-bid. Commissioner Watson made a motion to reject the bid. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion and upon a unanimous voice vote, the bid was rejected.

Consider bid proposal for construction of Sheriff Satellite Office/Senior Center at Crane Hill

Sheriff Gentry reported the call volume for the Crane Hill area of the county triples during the spring and summer months. The satellite office will help to reduce response time. Also the current senior center is in bad condition. There are water leaks and termite damage. It is now to the point food cannot be prepared on site for seniors. The new facility will help solve both problems with the sheriff annex on the first floor and the senior center located in a walk-out basement level. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to award the bid to Triple J Construction Co., the low bidder at \$320,225. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1262 – Print Advertising

Chad Floyd, County Attorney, stated there were two responsible bids received for consideration. The recommendation is to split the bid with *The Cullman Times* having the bid for legal ads and the *Cullman Tribune* having the bid for display advertising. Commissioner Watson made a motion to award the bid for print advertising as recommended by splitting the bid. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1264 – Retread Tires

John Lang, County Engineer, stated one bid was received and he recommended awarding the bid to McGriff Tire. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to award the retread tire bid to McGriff Tire. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 27, 2017

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting room.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Commissioner Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

/s/ _____
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/ _____
Kerry Watson,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____
Garry Marchman,
Associate Commissioner