

**CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
November 14, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Chairman Kenneth Walker called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and welcomed the visitors following his swearing-in at 10:00 a.m.

**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.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 23, 2012 MEETING, APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS, TRAVEL EXPENSES; AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.**

Commissioner Yarbrough made the motion to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2012 Commission Meeting, approve appropriations, expenditures, requisitions, travel expenses 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**

**Set the dates and times for Commission Meetings**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion for the Commission to continue to meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Remove James Graves, former chairman, from all county bank accounts**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to remove James Graves, former chairman, from all county bank account. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Add Chairman Kenneth Walker to all county bank accounts**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to add Chairman Kenneth Walker to all county bank accounts. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

**Authorize the County to purchase property located at 2151 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE – purchase price \$285,000**

Chief Deputy Max Bartlett stated the Sheriff will be reimbursing the Commission the purchase price of \$285,000 for the purchase of the property. The funds will come from the Sheriff's discretionary fund; there will be no tax money involved in the purchase. The land will be used by the Sheriff's Department for a training area and for storage of equipment. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the purchase of property located at 2151 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Approve application for grant to purchase Joe Walker property by the Airport Board**

Bob Burns, Airport Manager, explained the grant is a 95% reimbursable grant from the FAA. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the County's application for the grant for the purchase of property from Mr. Joe Walker by the Airport Board. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the renewal of the property, inland marine and automobile insurance policy through Smith-Gray Insurance Agency, Inc.**

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, explained the insurance policy is with Travelers Insurance, the current insurer. The premium is \$279,312 representing a 7% increase which is due to the large loss claim from the tornadoes. He recommended approval of the policy. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to renew the property, inland marine and automobile insurance policy through the local agent, Smith-Gray Insurance Agency, Inc. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice, the motion carried.

**Authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with AT&T for phone service at the Cullman County Water Department**

Chairman Walker stated this is a three year contract with AT&T for phone service. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with AT&T for service at the County Water Department. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider awarding a contract for the sealing and restriping of the east parking lot of the courthouse to Richard Cooper – Total \$5,400**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to award a contract for sealing and restriping the east parking lot of courthouse to Richard Cooper at a cost of \$5,400. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider awarding a contract for the resurfacing and striping of the north drive of the courthouse to Richard Cooper – Total \$5,800**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to award the contract for the resurfacing and striping of the north drive of the courthouse to Richard Cooper, total cost \$5,800. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion with the understanding that Mr. Cooper's contract is for labor only. The asphalt purchase will be made through the county's asphalt bid. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Approve the purchase of a Gator from Tri-Green by Sanitation Department - \$9,839.75**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the purchase of a Gator from Tri-Green by the Sanitation Department for use in litter pickup on right-of-ways. The old Gator at Sanitation will be transferred to the OHV Park. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Approve the purchase of a 6610 Ford/New Holland Cab Tractor for the Road Department from State Surplus - \$8,500**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the purchase of a 6610 Ford/New Holland Cab Tractor for the Road Department from State Surplus, cost \$8,500. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2013-08 - Agreement with ALDOT resurfacing and striping on Co Rd 438 from Co Rd 222 to Co Rd 447**

Jon Brunner, County Engineer, stated ALDOT will pay \$125,000 on the resurfacing and striping of County Road 438 from County Road 222 to County Road 447. The County will be responsible for the remaining cost of the project. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the agreement with ALDOT for the road project. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2013-09 – Agreement with ALDOT for resurfacing of Co Rd 222 from SR 69 to Co Rd 109 – 1.56 miles**

Mr. Brunner stated this is the first project from Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP). It is an 80/20 project for the resurfacing of County Road 222 from State Road 69 to County Road 109, a total of 1.56 miles. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the agreement with ALDOT for the project. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Resolution 2013-10 – Agreement with ALDOT for resurfacing of Co Rd 222 from Co Rd 310 to Co Rd 410 - .98 miles**

Mr. Brunner stated this agreement with ALDOT is also an ATRIP project with an 80/20 match for the resurfacing of County Road 222 from County Road 310 to County Road 410, .98 miles. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the agreement with ALDOT for the resurfacing project. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the surplus of five (5) office chairs from Juvenile Probation Services to be donated as follows: School Resource Officer – Fairview High School; School Resource Officer – West Point High School; Brook’s Place**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to surplus five (5) office chairs from Juvenile Probation and donate them to the school resource officers and Brook’s Place. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

**Consider surplus of 2003 Chevy truck ½ ton Silverado from Smith Lake Park VIN # 1GCEC14XX32250954 to be sold on Govdeals**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to surplus a 2003 Chevy truck ½ ton Silverado from Smith Lake Park VIN # 1GCEC14XX32250954 to be sold on Govdeals. Commissioner Hicks seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider surplus of Tire Changer Table from the Garage to be put in scrap dumpster**

Joe Perry, Fleet Manager, stated the tire changer had been donated to the County years ago by a local business that was no longer using it. It is no longer in working condition and parts cannot be found due to the age of the equipment. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to surplus the tire changer table for disposal in the scrap dumpster. Commissioner Hicks seconded. Upon a unanimous voice, the motion carried.

**Authorize the Commission to approve an employment contract with the County Attorney**

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve an employment contract with Heath Meherg as County Attorney. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Meherg thanked the Commission and stated he looks forward to working with the County.

**Ratify the following personnel actions:**

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| New Hire:    | James Sankey     | Juvenile Detention – part time       |
|              | Monica Blackwood | Sheriff’s Department – full time     |
|              | Parish Fitts     | Commission on Aging – part time temp |
|              | Haley Vanderburg | Sheriff’s Department – full time     |
| Resignation: | Alicia Ford      | Juvenile Detention                   |

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

**NEXT REGUALR COMMISSION MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012**

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting room.

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. Chairman Walker adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

/s/  
Kenneth Walker, Chairman

/s/  
Darrell Hicks,  
Associate Commissioner

/s/  
Stanley Yarbrough,  
Associate Commissioner