

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
October 13, 2015

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 and County Attorney Chad Floyd. Commissioner Garry Marchman was absent. The invocation was given by Randall Waldrep. Kenneth Kilgo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2015 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2015 Commission Meeting; approve appropriations, expenditures, payroll, requisitions and all journal entries to be posted. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Wayne Willingham, Commander of the Thomas Jefferson Denney Camp 1442 of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, addressed the Commission about the possibility of reinstatement of Confederate Memorial as a County holiday. Confederate Memorial began in 1866 and was officially recognized by the State of Alabama in 1901. Their group is dedicated to preserving southern heritage, educating the public to the sacrifices and honoring ancestors of the Confederacy. He presented the Commission with a resolution adopted by the Sons of the Confederate Veterans requesting the reinstatement of Confederate Memorial Day as a county holiday.

NEW BUSINESS

Proclamation – Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The County Clerk read the proclamation declaring October 2015 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and it was presented to representatives from the Victim Services Office.

Authorize the signing of an Engagement Letter and Fee Agreement with J. Chad Floyd for outside legal services for Cullman County

Chairman Walker introduced Chad Floyd as new legal counsel for the County. Mr. Floyd will be handling all county legal issues as outside counsel on a hourly as-needed basis. Mr. Floyd stated he is happy to be given the opportunity to work with the Commission. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the signing of an Engagement Letter and Fee Agreement with J. Chad Floyd for outside legal services for Cullman County. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Confirm Tax Abatement by the City of Hanceville for Louisiana Pacific in the amount of \$12,300,000 for building and manufacturing machinery

Commissioner Watson made a motion to confirm a tax abatement by the City of Hanceville for Louisiana Pacific in the amount of \$12,300,000 for building and manufacturing machinery. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Confirm Tax Abatement by the City of Cullman for ACYT (Yutaka Technologies) in the amount of \$2,800,000 for facility expansion

Commissioner Watson made a motion to confirm a tax abatement by the City of Cullman for ACYT (Yutaka Technologies) in the amount of \$2,800,000 for facility expansion. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Confirm Tax Abatement by the City of Cullman for Royal Technologies in the amount of \$2,700,000 for manufacturing machinery

Commissioner Watson made a motion to confirm the tax abatement by the City of Cullman for Royal Technologies in the amount of \$2,700,000 for manufacturing machinery. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with The Department of Examiners of Public Accounts (EPA) for the audit period from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the agreement is for the required annual audit performed by the state examiners which will cover the FY-2014 time frame. Commissioner Watson made a motion authorizing the Chairman to sign an agreement with The Department of Examiners of Public Accounts (EPA) for the audit period from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the signing of an agreement the Cullman County Partnership for Children, Inc. for the operation of the juvenile detention center

Judge Kim Chaney thanked the Commission for keeping the juvenile detention center open in Cullman. Without it, all juveniles would need to be transported to the center in Tuscumbia. The time required for transport and booking takes over five hours. This uses valuable resources. He explained the Cullman County Partnership for Children, Inc. is a non-profit made up of judges, people from the community and representatives from the district attorney's office. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Cullman County Partnership for Children, Inc. for the operation of the juvenile detention center. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing Barry Willingham, Revenue Commissioner to sign a three year agreement with ESRI for mapping software for the Reappraisal Department to be used by all County Department

Barry Willingham, Revenue Commissioner, stated the three year agreement will cost \$50,000 annually. If each county department contracted separately, the cost would total about \$70,000. Currently the mapping software is being used by the Sheriff's Department, Water and Road Departments in addition to the Revenue/Reappraisal Departments. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize Commissioner Barry Willingham to sign a three year agreement with ESRI for mapping software. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider an Amendment to Agreement for Engineering Services with CDG Engineering for the Community Storm Shelter located at the Hanceville Senior Center

Dusty Baker, Director of Commission on Aging, stated the planned site location for the new storm shelter was not large enough to accommodate original design. Moving the site location for the shelter has added some additional engineering cost to the project. However, the City of Hanceville is funding \$15,000 toward the project. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the amendment to the agreement with CDG Engineering for the community storm shelter at the Hanceville Senior Center. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the SCSEP Host Agency Agreement with NARCOG

Dusty Baker, Commission on Aging Director, stated the SCSEP Host program is designed for older employees who may be lacking in job skills, such as computer skills, to help them re-train to enter the job market. The program is through NARCOG. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the SCSEP Host Agency Agreement with NARCOG. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the signing of the FY-2016 Title III Contract and HIPAA Business Associates Agreement with NARCOG

Dusty Baker, Commission on Aging Director, stated this funding is to provide meals under the Older Americans Act. The program cost approximately \$300,000 annually. Funding from NARCOG for FY-2016 will be about \$45,000 which reflects a 3% cut in funds. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the FY-2016 Title III Contract and HIPAA Business Associates Agreement with NARCOG. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the signing of the FY-2016 SenioRx contract with NARCOG

Dusty Baker, Commission on Aging Director, stated the statewide SenioRx Program began in Cullman County. This past year the program saved senior in Cullman County over \$600,000 on their prescription drug cost. Funding for FY-2016 will be cut 5%. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the FY-2016 SenioRx contract with NARCOG. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the grant agreement for FY 2015-2016 with the Alabama Department of Youth Services (YAP) for \$196,000 for the Cullman County Youth Advocate Program

Judge Kim Chaney informed the Commission the YAP grant will support a diversion program for juveniles designed to keep them out of lock-up facilities by supporting families in the home. It is a 100% grant with no match. Commissioner Watson made a motion authorizing the Chairman to sign the grant agreement for FY 2015-2016 with the Alabama Department of Youth Services (YAP) for \$196,000 for the Cullman County Youth Advocate Program. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Commission to form a committee to conduct interviews to fill department head vacancies for departments falling under the management of the Cullman County Commission

Chairman Watson made a motion authorizing the Commission to form a committee to conduct interviews to fill department head vacancies for departments falling under the management of the Cullman County Commission. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of property located at 140 County Road 536 and a real estate contract proposal from Thomas & Vivian Shipp for the purchase of said property and authorize the Chairman to sign all necessary documents for the sale of property

This property was bequeathed to the Animal Shelter several months ago. Thomas and Vivian Shipp have made an offer to purchase the property for the appraised value. The proceeds from the sale will go to the Animal Shelter. Attorney Floyd stated a contract has been presented and he has prepared the deed. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the property located at 140 County Road 536, accept the offer from the Shipp's and authorize the Chairman to sign all documents related to the sale of the property. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Commission to obtain an appraisal for property located at 406 County Road 1214

Commissioner Watson made a motion authorizing the Commission to obtain an appraisal for property located at 406 County Road 1214. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request for the expansion of the Holly Pond Cemetery

Chairman Walker stated documentation has not been received from the Health Department. Commissioner Watson made a motion to table action until necessary documents are received. Chairman Walker seconded. The item was tabled.

Chairman Walker to appoint Kenneth Nail to the E-911 Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Gordon Dunagan term expiring 9-1-17

Commissioner Watson made a motion to appoint Kenneth Nail to the E-911 Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Gordon Dunagan, term expiring 9-1-17. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider authorizing the Chairman to sign three change orders with AT&T for additional telephone equipment in the amount of \$4,530.40

Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the change orders with AT&T for additional telephone equipment totaling \$4,530.40. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the Chairman to sign a change order with Sharp Communications for equipment for the telephone installation in the amount of \$4,409.00

Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a change order with Sharp Communications for additional equipment for the telephone installation in the amount of \$4,409.00. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2016-01 - Consider authorizing Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, to sign all future change orders pertaining to the installation of the new telephone system

Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, to sign future change orders below \$5,000 pertaining to the installation of the new telephone system. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider approval of payment to the ACCA for 2015-2016 Association Dues in the amount of \$8,149

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated these are the annual dues for the Association of County Commissions of Alabama (ACCA). Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the payment of \$8,149 for the 2015-2016 association dues. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Cullman Community Concert Association for \$4,800 for support of the 2015-2016 concert season

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve \$4,800 for the support of the 2015-2016 concert season for the Cullman Community Concert Association. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider \$1,000 appropriation to the Future Foundation, Inc. of Wallace State Community College scholarship fund

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve an appropriation of \$1,000 to the Future Foundation, Inc. of Wallace State Community College scholarship fund. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider replacement of air conditioning system at the old Water Department building by Alabama Electrical Contractors – Cost \$11,107

Randall Waldrep, Water Department Manager, stated the current air conditioning unit is over twenty years old and estimates are over \$5,000 for repairs. He has obtained three quotes and Alabama Electrical Contractors, a local business, has the lowest price. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the replacement of the air conditioning system at the old water department at a cost of \$11,107. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider purchase of a new 2016 Ford F-150 truck from Eckenrod Ford for the Water Department – Price \$28,749.92

Randall Waldrep, Water Department Manger, stated the Water Department had a vehicle totaled by a hit and run driver. Three quotes were obtained with Eckenrod Ford submitting the low price of \$28,749.92. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2016 Ford F-150 truck from Eckenrod Ford for the Water Department. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider \$500 appropriation for FY-2016 polling maintenance and operational support for each of the following voting locations:

Baileyton Senior Center	Grandview Community Center
Baldwin Community Center	Joppa VFD
Beat 8	Kelly Community Center
Berlin Community Center	Logan Fire & Rescue
Bethel Community Center	Simco Community Center
Bethsadia VFD	Valley Grove Community Center
Brooklyn Community Center	Walter Community Center
Brushy Pond Community Center	White City Community Center
Center Hill Community Center	
Cold Springs Community Center	
East Point Community Center	

It was brought the Commission's attention by Mayor Kilgo that the West Point voting location was not included. Commissioner Watson made a motion to amend the list to included West Point. Chairman Walker seconded and the West Point voting location was added to the list. Commissioner Watson made a motion to appropriate \$500 for each list voting location for polling maintenance and operational support. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1215 – Snow Plows

John Lang, County Engineer, stated the plows are designed to attach to pick-up trucks. Palfleet Truck Equipment was the low bidder at \$3,999. He recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Watson made a motion to award the bid for snow plows to Palfleet Truck Equipment. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid 1216 – One (1) or more New Pick-up Trucks

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated several bids were received for 2016 trucks. However, none of the vehicles could be delivered before mid-December. Since we are entering the fall tornado season, she does not feel the department can be without a truck for two month. She would like to reject all bids and rebid for a 2015 model which can be delivered immediately. Commissioner Watson made a motion to reject and rebid the truck for the EMA Department. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OCTOBER 27, 2015

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting room.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Commissioner Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Walker seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

/s/
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/
Kerry Watson,
Associate Commissioner

(ABSENT)
Garry Marchman,
Associate Commissioner

BID OPENING – October 6, 2015

Bid No. 1215 – One (1) or more Snow Plow(s)

	Bid Price
Palflett Truck Equipment	\$3,999.00
Warren Truck & Trailer, Inc	\$4,136.00
Tractor & Equipment Co.	\$7,430.97

BID OPENING – October 7, 2015

Bid No. 1216 – One (1) or more new current model pick-up truck(s)

Reject & Rebid

	Bid Price
Eckenrod Ford	\$45,785.00
Mitch Smith Chevrolet	\$46,405.00
Bill Smith Buick GMC	\$48,889.00