

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
January 26, 2016

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 Barry Willingham. Sheriff Matt Gentry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2016 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2016 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

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider termination of Local Emergency Dated December 23, 2015

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated the County is on the way to recovery following the Christmas Day flooding which saw parts of the county getting close to a foot of rain. She recommended termination of the Local Emergency. John Lang, County Engineer, state the Road Department is continuing to discover flood damaged roads and will probably find additional issues. Commissioner Watson made a motion to terminate the Local Emergency dated December 23, 2015. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the EMA Director to file a request for Public Assistance in connection with the Presidential Declaration and to serve as the point of contact for Cullman County

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated the County has thirty days to file a request for Public Assistance following a Presidential Declaration. She asked for authorization to file the request for public assistance naming her as the point of contact (POC) for the County. Commissioner Watson made a motion for the EMA Director to file the request for public assistance naming her as POC. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2106-11 – Use of Annual Leave

Chad Floyd, County Attorney, stated the resolution deals with Section 10.5.4 of the County's Personnel Handbook. County employees can accrue 480 hours of annual leave. All hours over 480 are forfeited at the end of the calendar year. Several employees were scheduled to take annual during the Christmas holiday period. However, due to the flooding they were called into work on Christmas Day and the following weekend. As a result, they will lose leave time. The resolution proposes allowing employees to carry forward an additional 50 hours of annual leave into the new year; however, the time must be taken by February 28, 2016. This special exemption allowing unused annual leave to be carried over can occur provided the Governor declares a State of Emergency which includes Cullman County; the County Commission declares a State of Emergency; and essential personnel were called out to respond to the emergency. The Christmas Day flooding meet the criteria. Commissioner Watson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2016-12 – Call-Out Pay

Attorney Floyd explained Section 11.17.3 addresses call-out pay. This resolution specifically deal with the period of December 23-31, 2015. It will allow employees, called out due to the flooding, to be paid for all hour outside the regular working time at an overtime rate. This special exception can occur if the Governor declares a State of Emergency which includes Cullman County; the County Commission declares a State of Emergency; and essential personnel called out worked hours which fell outside the employee's regular working hours. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the resolution on call-out pay. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Designate bank depositories for Cullman County funds

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the County must designate annually banks where county funds can be deposited. He recommended approval of any bank in the Security for Alabama Funds Enhancement (SAFE) program. Commissioner Watson made a motion to designate any bank in the SAFE program for depository of Cullman County funds. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the Chairman and EMA Director to sign the SMORT Grant for FY-15 in the amount of \$17,000

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated the SMORT grant is for travel, per diem, equipment and supplies. The \$17,000 grant is a 100% reimbursable grant. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman and EMA Director to sign the SMORT grant. Chairman Walker seconded which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the Chairman and EMA Director to sign the Strategic Technology Reserve (STR) Grant in the amount of \$8,500

Phyllis Little, EMA Director, stated Cullman County is the host agency for the STR equipment. The \$8,500 reimbursable grant is for equipment maintenance. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman and EAM Director to sign the Strategic Technology Reserve grant. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from Sheriff Matt Gentry to enter into a real estate purchase agreement with Peoples Bank of North Alabama, to purchase two separate parcels of real property (approximately 1.9 acres) in Crane Hill, Alabama, for \$23,900

Sheriff Matt Gentry explained the department has satellite offices in Baileyton and Good Hope. They have seen a 38% increase in calls on the western side of the county. The property under consideration has utilities and a concrete slab already in place and he wants to place a portable building as a satellite office. The long term plan is to build a permanent joint satellite office/senior center on the site. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the Sheriff's request to enter into a real estate purchase agreement with Peoples Bank of North Alabama, to purchase two separate parcels of real property (approximately 1.9 acres) in Crane Hill at a cost of \$23,900. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider a request from Sheriff Matt Gentry to enter into an agreement between the Cullman County Sheriff and the Cullman County commission with respect to the use of the above-referenced property

Sheriff Gentry stated the agreement with the County is in connection with the purchase of property from the previous agenda item. Commissioner Watson made a motion to enter into the agreement with the Sheriff on the property located in Crane Hill. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the Chairman to sign the LESO Agreement between the State of Alabama and the Cullman County Commission for Law Enforcement Support (1033 Program) for Animal Control

Chairman Walker stated this is an annual agreement the County has with the State of Alabama. The LESO agreement allows law enforcement to acquire federal surplus equipment at no charge. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the LESO Agreement with the State of Alabama. Chairman Walker seconded and upon a unanimous voice vote the motion passed.

Consider the appointment of Ginger Hicks to fill the unexpired term of Wilhelmina Parris to the Regional Housing Authority Board for a term to expire February 2017

Commissioner Watson made a motion to appointment of Ginger Hicks to fill the unexpired term of Wilhelmina Parris to the Regional Housing Authority Board for a term to expire February 2017. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of the following equipment from the Road Department to be sold at auction:

2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1H2AX09C5GM025245
2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1M2AX09C7GM025280
2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1M2AX09C6GM025285
2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1M2AX09C2GM025283
2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1M2AX09C7GM025246
2016 Mack GU713 Dump Truck	VIN # 1M2AX09C4GM025284

John Lang, County Engineer, explained the trucks are to be sold at auction as part of the County's fleet rotation program. This program was stated several years ago. Under the program, the county purchases new dump truck, uses them a year then sales them at auction. This enables to county to maintain a fleet that is under manufacturer's warranty. The sale price has usually been more than the purchase price of new trucks off the State Bid List. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the Mack trucks for auction. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement with Iron Planet for the auction of the equipment listed for surplus in the previous item

Mr. Lang, County Engineer, stated the Mack trucks which were surplused in the previous item will be auctioned by Iron Planet. They have guaranteed the County \$652 more than the cost of the six (6) new trucks the County will purchase off the State Bid List. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement with Iron Planet for the auction of the trucks. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement with Dustin Robbins for a Hill Climb Race Event at Stony Lonesome OHV Park to be held February 6, 2016

Tyler Lindsey, Stony Lonesome OHV Park manager, stated there are about 600 people who have pre-registered for the event online. Also, all cabins at the park have been booked for the weekend. Chad Floyd, County Attorney, stated that although we want to promote events, the County is requiring Mr. Robbins, the event promoter, to obtain a \$1,000,000 liability policy. He recommended approval contingent on the County receiving the declaration page for the liability coverage. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Dustin Robbins for a Hill Climb Race Event at the park to be held February 6, 2016 contingent of receipt of proof of liability insurance. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of the following equipment form the Road Department to be sold on Govdeals:

Duraco Durapatcher Model 125DJT Serial # 12955
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John Lang, County Engineer, stated the two old tag-a-long patchers and being replaced with a one-man pothole patcher. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the listed equipment and place on Govdeals for disposal. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Consider the surplus of various items from the Animal Shelter to be sold as scrap

Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the various items from the Animal Shelter to be sold as scrap. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of a 2008 Mac MRU 613 28 yd. Front Loader, VIN # 1M2AV04C88M001293, from the Sanitation Department to be sold on Govdeals

James Rollo, Sanitation Manger, stated the replacement truck has been delivered. They were waiting on its delivery before the old truck was surplused. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the 2008 Mac MRU 613 28 yd. Front Loader, VIN # 1M2AV04C88M001293, from the Sanitation Department to be sold on Govdeals. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on unanimous voice vote.

Consider release of Surety Bond and acceptance of County Road 907 in Shadowrock Estates, located in District 2

Keith Creel, Engineering Assistant, stated repair have been made and the road has been inspected by the Engineering Department. He recommended release of the bond and acceptance of the road into the maintenance system. Commissioner Watson made a motion to release the surety bond and accept County Road 907 in Shadowrock Estates into the County's maintenance system. With a second by Chairman Walker, the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider Revenue Commissioner's request to have a wall removed in the Revenue Commission Office by David Speegle Construction – Cost \$6,920

Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham stated at one time the tax assessor and collector occupied the space that is now the Revenue Office. It is his desire to combine the spaces into one area to facilitate customer service. He had obtain quotes for the removal of the wall between the two offices. David Speegle Construction submitted the low bid of \$6,920. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Commissioner Willingham proceeding with the work by David Speegle Construction. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider authorizing the purchase of fencing for Smith Lake Park from Ageis Fence – Cost \$12,900

Doug Davenport, Park Director, stated with the completion of the new office/store at Smith Lake Park an additional 1663' of fencing and three gate are needed. Quotes have been obtained and Ageis Fence has the low quote of \$12,900. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the purchase of fencing for Smith Lake Park from Ageis Fence. Chairman Walker seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

Bid No. 1227 – Hauling of Aggregate

John Lang, County Engineer, stated two incomplete bid were received. He recommended rejecting both bids. He does not anticipate the County going over the bid limit this year. However, if they see the bid limit is being approached, they will rebid for the hauling of aggregate. Commissioner Watson made a motion to reject the bids for hauling aggregate. Chairman Walker seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1228 – Polypropylene Pipe

Mr. Lang, County Engineer, explained this is a new type of pipe that has just been approved by ALDOT for use under certain applications. It serves a different application that the standard pipe and the Road Department wants to see if it is a better product for certain situations. It is slightly more expensive than the standard double wall pipe, but not significantly. Commissioner Watson made a motion to award the bid for polypropylene pipe to Bear Concrete, the sole bidder. Chairman Walker seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1229 – Bituminous Plant Mix

John Lang, County Engineer, recommended splitting the bid for asphalt. Wiregrass would have the bid for mix which is furnished and county picks up and Good Hope Contracting the bid for furnished and installed. Commissioner Watson made to motion to award the bid for bituminous plant mix following the County Engineers recommendation. Chairman Walker seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 9, 2016

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 9, 2016, 2016 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 10:24 a.m.

/s/
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/
Kerry Watson,
Associate Commissioner

(ABSENT)
Garry Marchman,
Associate Commissioner

