

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
June 27, 2017

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Walker called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:01 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 J.L. Parker. John Lang led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 13, 2017 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the June 13, 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

Julian Morris, a resident of County Road 203, addressed the Commission concerning County Road 222 at Big Bridge. His wife was killed in a traffic accident in the bridge area last year. He feels changes need to be made to the road, especially the grade of the curve. It is sloped the wrong way and there have been numerous accidents in the area. Also, the posted speed limit is 55 MPH which is too fast. He recommended lowering the speed limit as you approach from the west since this is where most accidents have occurred.

Chairman Walker asked John Lang, County Engineer, to address the recent discussions the County has had about the safety concerns in this area. Mr. Lang reported he was on site yesterday doing cross slope measurements in anticipation to reworking the slope of the curve under a federal aid project. They are also looking at several potential solutions that can be accomplished immediately and evaluating the effectiveness and cost of each. Additional signage was one thing on the list. Traffic flow has increased considerably, especially this time of year with the weekend residents coming to the lake. However, there are more and more full time residents taking advantage of Smith Lake which increases the traffic count. He assured Mr. Morris the County is very aware of the problem and is currently looking at the best options to increase safety on County Road 222.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize the County Attorney to file suit against a delinquent taxpayer for failure to pay their Sales and Use Tax

Chad Floyd, County Attorney, explained a business owner has not filed a sales tax return for five of the last six months. Efforts for collection by the Sales Tax Department have failed. Attorney Floyd asked permission to file a civil lawsuit for to recovery the taxes due. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to authorize the filing of a suit against a delinquent taxpayer for failure to pay their Sales and Use Tax. Commissioner Watson seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign a deed in favor of David and Shirley Hays for an easement for ingress-egress to their property

Attorney Floyd explained the owner of a parcel of property off County Road 122 is landlocked and has requested to purchase an easement across adjacent county property. The 30'x180' parcel has been appraised at one hundred dollars. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the sale of the easement and authorize the Chairman to sign a deed to David and Shirley Hayes. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider purchase of software from Harris Local Government for software/services, maintenance and hosting – Cost \$92,670

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the County has been evaluating new software programs for about two years. Harris has bought Delta Systems, the County's current provider for accounting and payroll software. Since Harris has bought Delta Systems it should make for an easier implementation of the new programs and transfer of information. About twenty-seven counties in the State now use the Harris software. He plans to pay half the cost in this year's budget and the other half next year when the conversion is complete. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the purchase of software from Harris Local Government for software/services, maintenance and hosting at a cost of \$92,670 to be split over the 2016-17 and 2017-18 budgets. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider a request from the Oktoberfest Committee for \$5,000 to support Oktoberfest 2017

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve a \$5,000 appropriation for the support of the 2017 Oktoberfest. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider quote from Tractor & Equipment Co. of \$12,979.05 to repair tar distributor for chip sealing roads

John Lang, County Engineer, explained the computer software which regulates the amount of tar which is distributed must be replaced at a cost of \$12,979.05. They are currently putting down product manually which does not produce a consistent surface and tar is wasted. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the repairs to be done by Tractor & Equipment Co. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of the following equipment from the Road Department to be listed on GovDeals

1993 Ford Cab Tractor w/ Front Broom Attachment VIN# BC92153
1999 International 4700 Fuel Truck VIN# 1HTSCABL3XH682688

John Lang, County Engineer, stated the equipment is no longer used by the Road Department. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus and sale the listed equipment. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on unanimous voice vote.

Consider the surplus of the following vehicle from the Coroner’s Office to be listed on GovDeals

2004 Dodge Durango VIN# 1D4HB38N34F158739

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the surplus and disposal of the vehicle from the Coroner’s Office. Commissioner Watson seconded and upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Consider proposed plat for Jayce's Place Subdivision, located in District 3 on County Road 1564 and 1589

Keith Creel, Engineering Assistant, stated the proposal has six lots and qualifies as a minor subdivision and he recommended approval. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the plat for Jayce's Place Subdivision, located in District 3 on County Road 1564 and 1589. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1198 – Extension – Jail Supplies – North Alabama Chemical & Central Paper

Commissioner Marchman a made a motion to approve the extension of the bid for jail supplies for one (1) year bid to be split between North Alabama Chemical and Central Paper Company. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice voter.

Bid No. 1202 – Extension – Lawn Care – Pro Lawn Unlimited

Commissioner Watson made a motion to extend the bid for lawn maintenance for one (1) year to Pro Lawn Unlimited. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1238 – Extension – Pest Control – American Pest Control

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to extend the bid for pest control of county properties for one year (1) with American Pest Control. Commissioner Watson seconded and on a unanimous voice vote the motion carried.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING JULY 25, 2017

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, July 25, 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 10:12 a.m.

/s/ _____
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/ _____
Kerry Watson,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____
Garry Marchman,
Associate Commissioner