

**CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
December 28, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman James Graves called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and welcomed the visitors.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Charlotte Slatton, County Clerk, called the roll; present were Chairman James Graves, Commissioner Stanley Yarbrough, and County Attorney Rusty Turner. Commissioner Darrell Hicks was absent. The invocation was given by Chairman Graves. Commissioner Yarbrough led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2010 MINUTES, APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS, TRAVEL EXPENSES; AND APPROVE ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED.

Commissioner Yarbrough made the motion to approve the minutes from December 14, 2010 Commission Meeting, approve appropriations, expenditures, requisitions, travel expenses and approve all journal entries to be posted. Chairman Graves seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Clarification of per diem and advances

Chairman Graves stated at the previous Commission Meeting there had been discussion as to employees receiving advanced payment for per diem. In order to keep bookkeeping simple, employees will file for the per diem at the same time other travel expenses are turned in to the accounting department. No advance payments will be made.

Approve the termination of John Sellers as OHV Park Director and naming of Sammie Danford as temporary park coordinator.

Chairman Graves stated the Commission collectively has determined it is in the best interest of the park's development that a change be made in the park management. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the termination of John Sellers as OHV Park Director and to appoint Sammie Danford as temporary park coordinator until a new director can be hired. Chairman Graves seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider awarding bid for renovation of exterior of courthouse

Frank Fagg, architect with F & O Architect, stated four bids were received for the renovation of the exterior of the courthouse. Edison & Associates, Inc. was the low bidder. After meeting with the contractor, the bid has been reduced to \$1.3 million to include the removal of the marble, new brick veneer, trim work and window replacement. The Department of Energy has not given its approval for the grant money to be used for the window replacement. If the approval is granted, this will save the County about \$200,000.

Commissioner Yarbrough asked if the marble was to be salvaged. Mr. Fagg stated it will be more cost effective to break the marble up and remove it rather than try to save the large sheets. However, a number of people have expressed interest in the marble; therefore, the contract includes the salvage of 4,000 square feet that will be offered to the public. Arrangements have been made for excess to be removed.

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to award the bid to Edison & Associates, Inc. Chairman Graves seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice.

Resolution 2011-19 – Grant for Section 5310 Transportation Equipment for Commission on Aging

Randall Shedd, Director of Commission on Aging, stated an 80/20 grant has been received to purchase a bus for the Senior Center. He requested approval of the resolution and the 20% funding. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to approve the resolution and funding. Chairman Graves seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1066 – Computer Equipment

Joey Martin, IT Director, stated the bid is for a six (6) month period. I.S. Corp was the only bidder. They currently have the bid. They have provided good service and he recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to award the bid. Chairman Graves seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Clarify one way street on County Roads 207 and 208

Keith Creel, Assistant Engineer, stated in the previous Commission Meeting a portion of County Road 207 was made one way. After further examination, it has been determined the one way street should include all of County Road 207 and a portion of County Road 208.

A member of the audience requested road signs be installed in the area to clearly mark the road numbers and since the road is now one way, the speed limit signs need to be turned around for oncoming traffic.

Chairman Graves asked for a motion to add an item to the agenda concerning the, **Payment of road department personnel who worked on Christmas day due to the snow.** Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to add the item.

It was determined that personnel that were called out would be paid for 12 hours. Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the 12 hours of pay. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

The next NARCOG meeting will be January 19, 2011 at the Decatur office of NARCOG.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2010

Chairman Graves announced the next commission meeting will be, Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Commissioner Yarbrough made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Graves adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

James D. Graves, Chairman

(ABSENT)
Darrell Hicks
Associate Commissioner

Stanley Yarbrough
Associate Commissioner