

CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
February 12, 2019

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, Commissioner Garry Marchman, County Administrator Gary Teichmiller and County Attorney Chad Floyd. The invocation was given by J.L. Parker. Phyllis Little led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 23, 2019 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2019 Commission Meeting; approve appropriations, expenditures, personnel actions, payroll, requisitions and all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/UPDATES

Paul Haney the owner of Cullman Camp Ground addressed Commission concerning the numerous complaints he has received via social media about the condition of the county roads leading to the campground, County Road 1187 and County Road 1184 in particular. He requested consideration for the County to fix the roads and also to look for additional funds which can be used for road maintenance. He also reported a problem with trash being dumped along county roads leading to the campground and with residents piling brush on the side of County Road 1187.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Tax Abatement for Project Double Down on \$85,894,000 for building, equipment and machinery

Stanley Kennedy from the City of Cullman Economic Development Office gave the Commission the figures for the potential project which will create 50 to 70 new jobs. Over a ten-year period, there will be \$3 million generated in additional school tax. There will be a one-time abatement of sales tax on construction materials. Currently this is part of an incentive package to be presented to the company. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the abatement package for Project Double Down on \$85,894,000 for building, equipment and machinery. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2019-09 - Requesting the Alabama Department of Senior Services to Examine Their Contract with GA Food Service, Inc.

Chad Floyd, County Attorney, reported GA Food Service, Inc. was awarded the State contract in October last year for food service for the senior programs. From the beginning of the contract, there have been numerous problems with the meal delivery and the quality of the food. There have been numerous ongoing complaints by seniors in the program. Cullman County Commission on Aging receives about 1,500 meal per week; 800 for the site locations and 700 for the "Meals on Wheels" for homebound citizens. Dusty Baker, Director of the Commission on Aging, has had several meetings with GA Food Services and received promises the problems would be corrected. NARCOG senior service have been made aware of the problems and complaints have been received from Lawrence and Morgan counties, the other counties represented by NARCOG. Problems and concerns have not been addressed. The Commission now feels they have exhausted current avenues to correct the problem directly with GA Food Service, therefore the resolution requests the Alabama Department of Senior Services (ADSS) to declare GAFS in default of the contract and re-bid the contract and award it to the lowest responsible bidder. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the resolution expressing concerns in the service the contract between GA Food Service Food and ADSS. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Designate bank depositories for Cullman County funds

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, stated the County is required to designate depositories for County funds each year. He recommended the County use any bank with FDIC insurance up to \$250,000 or if funds are guaranteed in the SAFE program. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve bank depositories for County funds based on the County Administrator recommendation of FDIC insurance or SAFE program. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authorize the Chairman to sign a service agreement with Comfort Systems for the boiler system at the Sheriff's Office-\$5,318 annually

Matt Hogue from the Sheriff's Office stated the service agreement is for maintenance on the three boilers which supply hot water to the Sheriff's Office and Jail/Detention Center. The agreement covers maintenance until June of this year. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the service agreement with Comfort Systems at an annual fee of \$5,318. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider surplus of 2004 GMC Yukon SUV, VIN# 1GKEK63U14J245685, from the Commission Office to be auctioned on GovDeals

Chad Floyd, County Attorney, reported a tax payer failed to remit collected sales tax in the amount of \$2,603 including interest and court cost. The court has issued a writ of execution. The County has possession of the vehicle and has secured the title. Sales Tax Office is requesting the surplus of the vehicle and it to be listed the GovDeals for auction to cover the tax debt. Commissioner Watson made a motion to surplus the 2004 GMC Yukon SUV, VIN# 1GKEK63U14J245685, and place on GovDeals for disposal with proceeds to be applied to the sales tax debt. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider surplus of 1996 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUV, VIN 1J4EZ58S5TC104821, from the Commission Office to be auctioned on GovDeals

Attorney Floyd explained the vehicle in question was used in the commission of a crime. It was impounded by the Sheriff's Office and registered owner nor the finance company have claimed the vehicle. It is now considered abandoned property. The County would like to surplus the vehicle and put it on GovDeals in hopes of recouping the towing charges. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to surplus the 1996 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUV, VIN 1J4EZ58S5TC104821, and it be placed on GovDeals for disposal. Commissioner Watson seconded and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Consider plat for Radford Place No. 1 Subdivision, located in District 1 on County Road 1114

Keith Creel, Engineering Assistant, reported the plat shows four lots on an existing county road. It meets the county's definition of a minor subdivision. He recommended approval of the plat. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the plat for Radford Place No. 1 Subdivision, located in District 1 on County Road 1114. Commissioner Marchman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorize the Chairman to sign an auction contract with J.M. Wood Auction Company, Inc. for the auction of the following equipment:

2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X9KJ223789
2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X2KJ223794
2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X0KL223793
2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X5KJ223790
2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X7KJ223791
2019 Kenworth Dump Truck	VIN # 1NKDL40X9KJ223792
2018 Mack Day Cab Truck	VIN # 1M1AN07Y1JM027235

John Lang, County Engineer, explained the sell of the equipment is part of the annual fleet rotation program the County started several years ago where equipment is purchased off the State Bid List, used one year, then auctioned. This enables the County to have equipment which is under warranty, reducing operating cost. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with J.M. Wood Auction Company, Inc. for the auction of the listed equipment. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Bid No. 1297 – Polypropylene Pipe

John Lang, County Engineer, stated three bids were received for the polypropylene pipe. Bear Block was the low bidder and he recommended awarding the bid. Commissioner Watson made a motion to award the one (1) year bid for polypropylene pipe to Bear Block. Commissioner Marchman seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

WORK SESSION

The Commission will hold a Work Session on February 26, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Watson seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

/s/ _____
Kenneth Walker,
Chairman

/s/ _____
Kerry Watson,
Associate Commissioner

/s/ _____
Garry Marchman,
Associate Commissioner