

**CULLMAN COUNTY SPECIAL CALLED COMMISSION MEETING  
AUGUST 2, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS**

Chairman Clemons called the Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Miranda Hood, Receptionist, called roll; present were Chairman Jeff Clemons, Commissioner Kerry Watson, Commissioner Garry Marchman, County Administrator John Bullard, County Attorney Emily Johnston, and County Engineer Bryan Cheatwood.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2022-62: Accept the bid by Banner Industrial Construction, Inc. for the construction of the replacement bridges as described in project 21-RT-55-01**

Economic Development Director Bradley Williams addressed the Commission and stated we should have included a resolution to accept the bid at the July 19, 2022 Commission Meeting. I spoke with NARCOG, and they require a resolution.

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-62: Accept the bid by Banner Industrial Construction, Inc. for the construction of the replacement bridges as described in project 21-RT-55-01. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Award Bid # 1406 for Jail Supplies to North Alabama Chemical and Central Paper**

Captain Susan Black addressed the Chairman and recommended awarding the bid for the supplies to North Alabama Chemical in the amount of \$107,152.50 and for the chemicals to Central Paper in the amount of \$32,019.00.

Sheriff Gentry addressed the Commission and stated Captain Black is our Jail Administrator. Last year we revamped our process on supplies and redid the whole process. One of the things I want to point out with the revamping of the process, in 2021, with North Alabama Chemical, our budgeted amount was \$57,764.00. However, last year we spent \$32,237.79; that was almost \$25,000 we saved just by reviewing how we did our jail supplies. Central Paper for FY 2021, we were budgeted \$26,737.00, last year, and we spent \$13,243.00, which is a 50% reduction in our supplies costs. That shows that Captain Black's hard work as our Jail Administrator and the revamping of our supply organization, created great savings and is an excellent attribute to what they are doing with the detention center.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to Award Bid # 1406 for Jail Supplies to North Alabama Chemical and Central Paper. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of two (2) 2021 4WD Ford Explorers from Stivers Ford on State Bid T191 for the Appraisal and Mapping Department in the amount of \$30,366 each**

Facilities and Equipment Manager Shane Bailey addressed the Commission and stated that these just became available and will be purchased through the state purchasing procedure we have at Stivers Ford out of Montgomery. These are being purchased for Mr. Willingham's office. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to Consider the purchase of two (2) 2021 4WD Ford Explorers from Stivers Ford on State Bid T191 for the Appraisal and Mapping Department in the amount of \$30,366 each. Commissioner Watson seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider replacement of HVAC unit at County Office Building in the amount of \$10,831.51**

County Administrator John Bullard stated this is part of the ongoing maintenance and because it is over \$10,000, it needs to be approved by the Commission; it is part of that budget already there.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to Consider replacement of HVAC unit at County Office Building in the amount of \$10,831.51. Commissioner Marchman seconded, and the motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.

**Request from Attorney for Executive Session under Section 7 of Act No. 2005-40**

County Attorney Emily Johnston stated Chairman, I have drafted a letter advising that an executive session is necessary and proper to protect confidential information. The Code Section applicable is found in Alabama Code 36-25A-7(a)(3). I am an attorney licensed to practice law in Alabama, and the executive session will be to discuss pending or threatened litigation. I respectfully recommend and request that a motion for an executive session be considered at this time. I estimate it will be approximately 45 minutes and that we will reconvene around that time. I will be the only other person in the executive session.

Chairman Clemons addressed the request and stated, at this time we have a request that a motion is considered for an executive session from the County Attorney regarding pending threatening legal matters.

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Watson seconded. Commissioner Marchman, "Aye" Chairman Clemons, "Aye" Commissioner Watson, "Aye"

The Commission went into Executive Session.

Chairman Clemons, called the meeting back to order at 10:30. We have heard information from our County Attorney. Commissioners, would any of you like to deliberate regarding the information received or consider making a motion to hire outside counsel to evaluate policies and procedures at CARTS following the public comments during our last regular meeting?

Commissioner Marchman made a motion to hire outside counsel to evaluate policies and procedures at CARTS. Commissioner Watson seconded, and the motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.

**WORK SESSION**

Chairman Clemons announced the next Commission Work Session will be Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.

**NEXT COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022**

Chairman Clemons announced the next Commission Meeting will be Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.


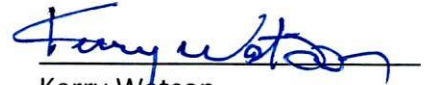
**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Attest:



Tiffany Merriman,  
County Clerk

  
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Jeff Clemons,  
Chairman  
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Kerry Watson,  
Associate Commissioner  
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Garry Marchman,  
Associate Commissioner