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LAUDERDALE COUNTY

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The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 5:00 p.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Lauderdale County Commission, Danny Pettus. Upon roll call, the following members answered present:

**Danny Pettus** 

Chairman

Roger Garner

Commissioner, District 1

**Brad Holmes** 

Commissioner, District 1

Joe Hackworth

Commissioner, District 2

Fay Parker

Commissioner, District 2

Legal Counsel:

Christopher A. Smith

**County Attorney** 

Chairman Pettus, upon declaration of a quorum being present, opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was delivered by Commissioner Holmes.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda items: None

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth that all items listed on the regular business agenda be approved for immediate consideration. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Agenda is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Commission be approved for recording. Commissioner Holmes abstained from voting due to his absence of the last Commission meeting. There being no discussion and upon vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Holmes - abstain Commissioner Parker – yea Commissioner Garner – yea Commissioner Hackworth - yea

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution that authorizes the retirement of a Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department vehicle, a 2009 Ford Taurus, County Asset number 49578 and VIN number 1FAHP23W19G115484. The vehicle is to be removed from inventory and will be disposed of at the next County auction. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Commission to renew the Lauderdale County commercial property insurance with Cincinnati Insurance Company for a premium amount of twenty six thousand nine hundred and eighty-three dollars. This is the last renewal of the three year policy which has an expiration date of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner that a resolution be approved to allow the Lauderdale County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, to hire two temporary part-time workers to help the Commission office transfer files to the 2020 United States Census. The process of uploading files to the Census is an essential part of making sure the County is providing accurate records for the United States Census. The temporary workers will be paid the standard rate for all part-time County workers which is eleven dollars per hour. Any budget amendment needed is authorized and approved. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth that a resolution be approved authorizing additional repairs at Brush Creek Park. The repairs include the purchase

and installation of an additional water meter that is required in order to move forward with the ongoing

renovation project at the park. The cost of the additional repair is four thousand seven hundred thirty-five dollars. Any budget amendment needed is hereby authorized and approved. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution to authorize the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department to repair a 2012 Mack GU813 Dump Truck. The cost of the repair is fifteen thousand four hundred ninety five dollars and seventy-six cents. Commissioner Hackworth asked the Lauderdale County Solid Waste manager, Robert Bevis, what the cost would be of a new truck. Mr. Bevis stated that the cost of a new truck would be around two hundred forty eight thousand dollars. The repair work will be done by Nextran Corporation of Tuscumbia, Alabama. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that authorizes the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department to honor the Groundwater Monitoring Report Memorandum from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) which recommends the installation of two additional wells at the Lauderdale County Landfill. The work will be done in two stages: Stage One will consist of hiring Terracon Consultants, Inc. of Hoover, Alabama who will provide professional services such as surveying and lab analysis of samples at a cost of fourteen thousand five hundred fifty-six dollars and Stage Two will consist of contract laborers provided by Terracon Consultants for the digging and construction of the two wells at a cost of five thousand four hundred dollars. Any budget amendments needed are hereby authorized and approved. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve a resolution that authorizes the renewal of the existing joint City of Florence – Lauderdale County contract with Shoals Ambulance Service. The renewal is for one year and is the last renewal option of the contract which will expire on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The contract was amended earlier this year and the contract renewal includes those amendments. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Lauderdale County Sheriff, Rick Singleton requests that Lauderdale County Jail Director, Jason Butler, be allowed to travel out of state to the American Jail Association Annual Conference being held in Sacramento, California April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 through April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to allow Jason Butler to travel out of state. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Travel is approved and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Joe Hackworth has requested that he be allowed to travel out of the state to the Washington Legislative Conference to be held March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 through March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to allow Commissioner Hackworth to travel out of the state. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken from which Commissioner Hackworth abstained, travel is approved and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes - yea Commissioner Parker – yea Commissioner Garner – yea Commissioner Hackworth - abstained

Lauderdale County Revenue Commissioner, Danny Hendrix, requested that one of his employees be placed on Family Medical Leave to begin on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and end on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. All medical papers are in order. Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the Family Medical Leave. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approve. Family Medical Leave is herein approved and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. LA-2018-1, "Various Print Bids". Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissions review. Chairman Pettus referred to Lauderdale County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that there were three bidders, Harold Printing of Florence, Alabama, Printers and Stationers of Florence, Alabama, and First Impressions of Hampton Cove, Alabama. Ms. Bryant stated that she recommends Herald Printers be awarded all three bids as they were the lowest bidder. Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to award the items to the lowest bidder. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bids to be awarded to Herald Printers of Florence, Alabama. Bid tabulation sheet is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

The invoiced bills were audited, allowed, and ordered to be paid upon a motion by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Holmes. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

## CHECKS ISSUED FEBRUARY 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 THROUGH MARCH 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 53126-53178	\$456,858.15
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3628-3629	\$282.61
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7952-7958	\$4,496.21
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16649-16663	\$127,124.85
PUBLIC BLDG., R & B SPECIAL CHECK # N/A	0.00
PUBLIC HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11275-11283	\$22,080.94
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
RSVP FUND CHECK # 17073-17079	\$2,718.86
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00

SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 263		\$10,953.13
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A		0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 7151-7163		\$79,624.56
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 39946-40015		\$289,917.00
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # N/A		0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # N/A		0.00
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 3014		\$7,650.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # N/A		0.00
	Total	\$1,001,706.31

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

## Public Comment Period:

Chapel King of 209 Bainbridge Road, Florence, Alabama, stated that she would like to thank the Commissioners for going forward on the animal control issues and asked where the Commissioners are on that issue. Commissioner Holmes stated that last Monday, the County attorney, Chris Smith, and the attorney for the City of Florence, Billy Musgrove, had a meeting and Mr. Smith is working on a Memorandum of Understanding for the City of Florence and the Lauderdale County Commission to review and discuss the combining of the animal control departments. Commissioner Holmes reminded Ms. King that this type of agreement will take

time and asked her for patience. Commissioner Holmes stated that we are moving forward but it's very hard to put a time frame on such an agreement.

John Appuha of 305 Gilbert Court, Florence, Alabama stated that he would like to give his support to the combining of the City and County animal control departments and he hopes that the Commissioners will give it their support.

Jimmy Glass of 2488 County Road 52, Florence, Alabama stated that he wants to thank the Commissioners for taking care of the cattle that were seized in this area.

## **Executive Session:**

Chairman Pettus asked the Lauderdale County Attorney, Chris Smith, to explain the requirements for the Lauderdale County Commission to go into an Executive Session. Mr. Smith stated that the requirements for Executive Session have been met tonight due to the Commission's request for personnel performance review. This meets the requirements for the Executive Session to be called. Chairman Pettus reminded everyone that after the Executive Session is complete, the Commission meeting will be over and the open work session will be next. The Executive Session topic is animal control officer personnel performance. No votes were taken and no decisions were made during the Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Commission and upon a motion made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Garner, the meeting was duly adjourned until the next regular meeting subject to call.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION

	ENERGINE COUNTY COMMINES
	Danny Pettus, Chairman
	Brad Holmes, Commissioner
ATTEST:	Roger Garner, Commissioner
Brenda Bryant, County Administrator	Fay Parker, Commissioner

Joe Hackworth, Commissioner