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 25th day of February, 2019. 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 were delivered by Commissioner Holmes.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda items: None

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner 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 Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Commission be approved for recording. There being no discussion and upon vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner that a resolution be adopted to show support to the Alabama State Legislature during the upcoming session for a gasoline tax increase and the manner of distribution would insure that the sixty-seven counties receive no less than the present method of distribution in order to provide substantial new revenue that will be utilized on roads, bridge repairs, and renovations at the county level. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. 2019-7, "Gasoline and On Road Diesel Fuel". Bid responses were received, publicly opened, and read aloud on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and a bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissions review. Chairman Pettus asked the Lauderdale County Engineer, Eric Hill, for his recommendation. Mr. Hill stated that according to bid law, he would recommend that the bid be split and that he recommends that Tatum Oil of Sheffield, Alabama receive the bid for diesel fuel for an amount of .0345 cents per gallon. This does incur the five percent local vendor preference. Mr. Hill stated that he recommends that the gasoline fuel bid be given to Petroleum Traders Corp of Fort Wayne, Indiana for an amount of .0129 cents per gallon. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to follow Mr. Hill's recommendation. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bids to be awarded as recommended by Eric Hill. Bid tabulation sheet is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

George Grabryan, Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency Director, has requested that John Rochester be allowed to attend the 2019 National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference in Orlando, Florida March 31<sup>st</sup> through April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve the out of state travel. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Travel is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

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

CHECKS ISSUED FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 THROUGH FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 54517-54559	\$535,468.26
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3704-3705	\$322.00
LEPA FUND CHECK # 8140-8146	\$4,524.41
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16991-17005	\$203,139.89
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 # 671	\$5,137.85
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11506-11516	\$28,127.89

REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # 495	\$977.50
RSVP FUND CHECK # 17256-17262	\$2,523.23
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1226	\$1,631.84
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 7509-7524 (7511 IS VOID)	\$141,716.10
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 41182-41215	\$175,532.27
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # 4521-4534	\$21,644.14
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1163-1164	\$733,647.99
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 5733-5745	\$381,452.89

TOTAL: \$2,235,846.26

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

## Public Comment Period:

Commissioner Parker stated that he wants to thank the EMA Department and the Road Department for the countless hours they put in during the flooding event this past weekend and everyone was kept safe because of their hard work. Commissioner Parker stated that there were over six hundred and fifty-eight roads in the county which is a lot to take care of and he also thanked EMA Director, George Grabryan, for his work with TVA and all of the issues that he took care of over the weekend. Commissioner Holmes stated that as a first responder, he expected

issues but the sheer volume of issues that happened over the weekend had never been seen before. Commissioner Holmes also thanked Blake Hargett from Shoals Ambulance and George Grabryan from EMA because it was nothing short of a miracle that they were able to get the job done. Commissioner Holmes further stated that he wanted to thank Solid Waste Director, Tom Smith, for the job that they did picking up trash and how fortunate the Commission is to have this type of help.

Sara McGee of Florence, Alabama, asked the Commissioners to pass a law that would allow the animal control officer to help take care of animals that were left out in the weather and rain. Ms. McGee stated that she does not understand why the County Commission does not take care of this problem and that she has seen dogs and horses left out in the weather.

Commissioner Parker stated that he takes care of his pets and that the County Commission has respect for animals but some folks will never do the right thing and take care of their animals and that is never going to change.

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

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LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION

Danny Pettus, Chairman

Brad Holmes, Commissioner

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Fay Parker, Commissioner

Joe/Hackworth/Commissioner

## LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

## **RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the condition of Alabama's roads and bridges is, by any measure, inadequate for the safety of drivers, inhibits economic growth, and creates delays and unnecessary automobile repairs for Alabama's citizens; and

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WHEREAS, a Task Force established by President Pro Tempore, Del Marsh, evaluated the specific needs to reduce traffic delays, plan for future growth, and enhance economic opportunities in every community in Alabama by investing in new resources to make improvements in our transportation system; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Governor Kay Ivey highlighted the need for investment in Alabama's infrastructure during her first month in office and identified such improvements as a priority during her inaugural address on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019, stating, "Improving our infrastructure is more than an investment in our roads and bridges; it's an investment in economic development, public safety, and local communities. It has been nearly three decades since we last made any changes to our current funding, and the challenge has grown with the passing time. Now is the time to increase our investment in infrastructure – now is the time to solve this problem"; and

WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissions of Alabama and its affiliate organization, the Association of County Engineers of Alabama, recently completed a statewide study on the inadequacy of funding to maintain roads and bridges in a manner that will provide safe and efficient transportation for Alabama's motorists; and

WHEREAS, this study shows that current funding is so inadequate that Alabama's county roads are being resurfaced on a 114-year cycle, when the useful life of a resurfaced road does not exceed 15 years, and that more than 45 percent of the county-maintained bridges statewide are at least 50 years old; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature will begin its 2019 Regular Session on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019, and legislation to provide additional revenue for road and bridge projects has been identified as the top priority by Governor Kay Ivey, House Speaker Mac McCutcheon and Senate President Pro Tempore, Del Marsh; and

WHEREAS, the primary function of the Lauderdale County Commission is to provide for the safety, economic growth, and highest possible quality of life for the citizens of this county, and the members of the Lauderdale County Commission believe this proposal would have a monumental impact for the residents of the county; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission that it does hereby voice its public support for the legislation to increase the rate of Alabama's gasoline and diesel fuel taxes, in which the manner of distribution would insure that the sixty-seven counties receive no less than the present method of distribution, in order to provide substantial new revenue to be utilized on road and bridge repairs and renovation at the county level during the 2019 Regular Legislative Session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chairs of the Senate and House Rules Committees, and the members of the Lauderdale County Legislative Delegation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Lauderdale County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

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## LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION

Danny Pettus, Chairman

Brad Holmes, Commissioner

Roger Garner, Commissioner

Fay Parker, Commissioner

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ATTEST:

, County Administrator Joe Hackwor

BID NO .:

2019-7

BID ITEM:

"Gasoline and On Road Diesel Fuel"

**OPENING:** 

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 11:00 a.m. January 3<sup>rd,</sup> 2019

DATE MAILED:

	BID	NO BID	LOW	NO RESP	AMOUNT GAS DIESEL	
Mansfield Oil Company 1025 Airport Parkway SW Gainesville, GA 30501				X		
Baggett Oil Company 3336 Hough Road Florence, AL 35630				X		
Tatum Oil Co. Inc. PO Box 248 Sheffield, AL 35660					0.0289	0.0345
WH Thomas Oil Company PO Box 890 Clanton, AL 35043					0.085	0.085
McPherson Oil Products Attn: Hayden Powers 5051 Cardinal Street Trussville, AL 35173					0.07	0.07
Petroleum Traders Corp 7120 Pointe Inverness Way Fort Wayne, IN 46804					0.0129	0.6331