

STATE OF ALABAMA §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 5:00 p.m. on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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 Parker.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda items: None

Commissioner Holmes 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 Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner 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 Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution to help promote tourism in Lauderdale County and support our local communities by donating \$1,000.00 to the Underwood Youth Sports Complex as it hosts the 2019 Dixie Youth State Softball Tournament on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019. This donation will be charged to the Tourism Fund. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution authorizing July 5<sup>th</sup> as a holiday per the State Alabama Holiday Schedule for 2019 as authorized by Governor Kay Ivey and the courthouse will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup> and July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. There

being no further 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 Parker to authorize D.C. Thornton to continue to serve as the Lauderdale County Appointment on the Emergency Management 911 Board. Mr. Thornton's appointment will expire on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Board appointment is approved a made a part of these minutes.

In compliance with bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. 2019-9 "Removal and Replacement of Flooring at Courthouse". Bids were received and publicly read aloud on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and a bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commission's review. Chairman Pettus asked County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that The Carpet Store was the only bid received and was also the low bidder on a previous similar job which was performed satisfactorily. Commissioner Hackworth questioned the lack of bids from other companies and Ms. Bryant explained that The Carpet Store has a night crew and the fact that the job does require performing the work only on nights and weekends may explain the lack of bids from other companies as they may not have the capacity or preference for such hours. Ms. Bryant also mentioned that there are a couple of areas of concern of possible asbestos and the bid would not include remediation should there be this type of discovery. Commissioner Parker noted that this bid was necessary due to recent water damage causing the flooring to need to be replaced. Ms. Bryant added that the goal is to have the work completed by the end of the fiscal year. Commissioner Parker moved to accept the bid and Commissioner Garner seconded. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid is awarded to The Carpet Store of Florence, Alabama. Bid tabulation sheet is recorded and made 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 JUNE 10, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 23, 2019

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK #54966-55014 (VOID 54991)	\$593,854.19
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK #3723-3726	\$657.83
LEPA FUND CHECK #8207-8213	\$4,527.47
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK #17122-17132	\$170,140.36
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 #679	\$8,836.71

REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK #11592-11599	\$25,362.05
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK #507-510	\$248,120.85
RSVP FUND CHECK #17323-17330	\$1,651.63
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
CDBG FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK #7648-7660	\$113,087.61
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK #41625-41678	\$222,944.42
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK #5788-5800	\$381,452.89
TOTAL:	\$1,770,636.01

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

Public Comment Period:

Eric Marian  
Singing River Media/WLAY  
Tuscumbia, Alabama

Mr. Marian introduced himself as attending for news purposes.

Chapel King  
209 Bainbridge Road  
Florence, Alabama

Ms. King stated that she is a volunteer for the Florence Lauderdale Animal Shelter and expressed concerns about the shelter needing help. Her main concern is regarding understaffing of the facility as it relates to having the capability to properly care for the number of animals currently in their care. They have also discovered flooring problems having to do with material and drainage as well as noise issues that are interfering with their ability to properly care for the animals and operate the facility efficiently and are in need of immediate funds.

Debbie Nelson  
585 Longshore Drive  
St. Florian, Alabama

Ms. Nelson stated that she is also a volunteer for the Florence Lauderdale Animal Shelter and confirmed Ms. King's concerns of understaffing and the problems with the flooring as well as a noise problem caused by concrete and metal with no noise buffers to allow for a less chaotic sounding environment which allows for possible adoptees to quietly visit with their potential pet. She commended the attractive facility and its contribution to the community as college students and children visit and are very excited about what the shelter has to offer. Ms. Nelson also expressed her appreciation for such a great place and asked for consideration in helping them get additional staffing concerns resolved.

Terry Carrington  
1217 Bradshaw Drive  
Florence, Alabama

Ms. Carrington stated that she is a part-time employee of the Florence Lauderdale Animal Shelter, commented that the floors and sound issues are definitely fixable but the need for more staff is of utmost concern. Also, with no local vet to support them with lower fees, Ms. Carrington said it is necessary to make multiple trips per week to Iuka, Mississippi and Huntsville, Alabama to spay/neuter animals and their time is also spent in this endeavor. Commissioner Garner asked about the adoption fee, confirmed by Ms. Nelson as being eighty-five dollars, which is actually less than the cost incurred to have all necessary medical needs taken care of to be ready for adoption.

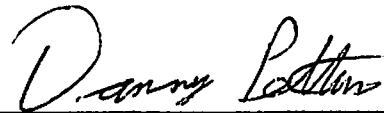
Commissioner Parker asked if the city had been made aware of the issues that exist and Ms. King assured him that they had been informed and explained in further details the flooring issues as Chairman Pettus was asking for clarification of the texture of the flooring and the sloping of the flooring to prevent sufficient drainage for a clean and sanitary environment.

Commissioner Holmes respectfully questioned why the City of Florence Executives and the Animal Shelter Director were not leading the charge and was informed by both Ms. King and Ms. Nelson that the concerns were being addressed by the shelter leaders and building contractors are working toward a solution for both the flooring and sound issues. Mr. Holmes also added that we need to take time and handle the process correctly through the appropriate channels and have a proposal presented by the Animal Shelter Director to the City of Florence as they find a long-term solution to these issues.

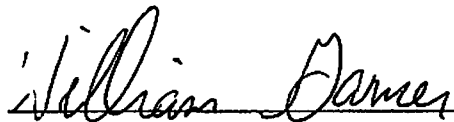
There was further discussion regarding the same topic between Chapel King, Debbie Nelson and Commissioner Holmes ending with a statement by Ms. Nelson summarizing that, whether you love animals or you love people who love animals, the animal shelter is definitely worth the efforts made to make certain it is able to continue its great service to the community.

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.

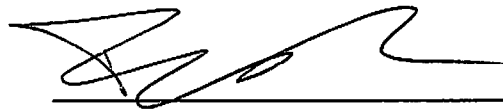
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Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner

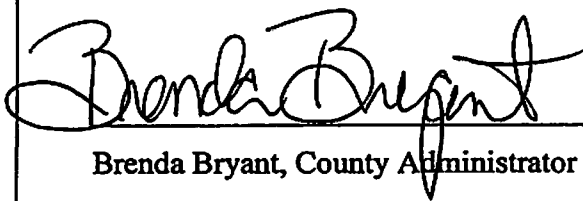


Brad Holmes, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Brenda Bryant, County Administrator  
Fay Parker, Commissioner

**LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**A. OFFICAL AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME
2. CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM
3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Commissioner Parker
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Per Rules of Procedure there is a three-minute time limit

**B. REGULAR BUSINESS**

1. Review and Motion to Consider Agenda Items
2. Approve minutes of last meeting
3. Resolution—Donation for Underwood Youth Sports
4. Resolution—Holiday Schedule
5. Approval of Board Appointment
6. BID LA-2019-9 “Removal and Replacement of Flooring at Courthouse”
7. Audit and Approve Bills

**C. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS—none**

**D. STAFF REPORTS**

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Per Rules of Procedure there is a three minutes’ time limit

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RESOLUTION


WHEREAS, the travel and tourism industry in Lauderdale County is vital to our economic stability and growth, contributing to employment, economic prosperity, international trade and relations, peace, understanding and goodwill; and

WHEREAS, every citizen benefits from the effects of travel and tourism. The industry substantially enhances our personal growth and education while promoting intercultural understanding and appreciation of Lauderdale County's geography, history, and culture; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lauderdale County Commission, in recognition of the Underwood Youth Sports Complex hosting the 2019 Dixie Youth State Softball Tournament on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, hereby approves a donation of \$1,000.00 to be paid to the Underwood Youth Sports Complex. Any budget amendment that may be needed to the Tourism Fund for this expenditure is hereby authorized and approved.

Done this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

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Danny Pettus, Chairman



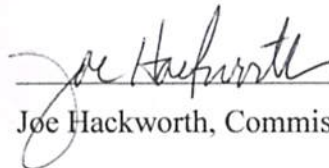
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Brad Holmes, Commissioner

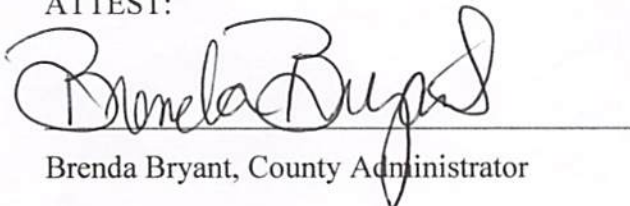


Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



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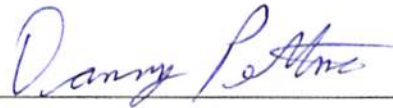
**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the official Independence Day schedule has been received from the Governor's Office and one additional day has been declared,

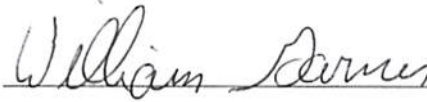
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lauderdale County Commission that Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019, are herein declared as the holiday for Independence Day 2019 observance by county employees and the courthouse will be closed.

Done this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION



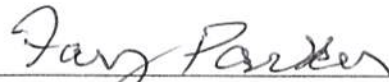
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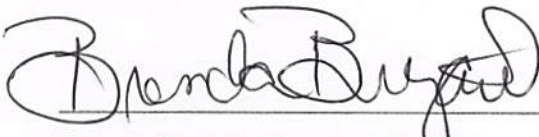


Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

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BID NO.:  
 BID ITEM:  
 OPENING:  
 DATE MAILED:

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 "Removal and Replacement of Flooring at Courthouse"  
 June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.  
 May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

	BID BOND	NO BID	LOW BID	NO RESP	AMOUNT
McCrary's Carpet & Interiors 4302 Huntsville Road Florence, AL 35630				X	
Quad Cities Carpet 102 N. Seminary Street Florence, AL 35630				X	
Wood Floor Store 380 Seville Street Florence, AL 35630				X	
Economy Carpet 105 Avalon Ave Muscle Shoals, AL 35661				X	
The Carpet Store 1508 N. Pine Street Florence, AL 35630					\$57,000.00 (old tile removal) \$48,500.00 (no old tile removal)

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