

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 13th day of March, 2017. 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 of Commission
Roger Garner	Commissioner, District 1
Brad Holmes	Commissioner, District 1
Fay Parker	Commissioner, District 2
Joe Hackworth	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 Chairman Pettus.

Awards and Presentations: none

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes 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 a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth 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 a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution that authorizes the changing of the April 2017 Commission Meetings. The Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Commission Meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. due to the observance of Government Day. The Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Commission Meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. due to the observance of Confederate Memorial Day which is a County Holiday. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein approved and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that will allow the owners of Octavia Estates to move forward with their petition of the vacation

process pursuant to Alabama law. The proposed right of way is between lots seven and eight. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth that a resolution be approved to allow Probate Judge, Will Motlow, along with the Lauderdale County Commission to enter into an agreement with Election Systems & Software, LLC for the maintenance and software fees for the AutoMark voting machines. The length of the contract is through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The cost of the contract is Twelve thousand four hundred thirty-three dollars and seventy-five cents. Commissioner Brad Holmes asked if this contract was previously paid for by the State of Alabama and if the Lauderdale County Commission is now having to pay for this maintenance service. Brenda Bryant, Lauderdale County Administrator, stated yes, that is a correct statement. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of the contract is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted authorizing the continued membership in the Association of County Commissions of Alabama Liability Self-Insurance Fund for the contract period ending on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and also agree to extend its participation in the Liability Fund for an additional three year period beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 and concluding December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of agreement is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that authorizes the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department to dispose of a 1995 Ford L9000 truck – Vin Number 1FTYW90X1SVA75721. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution that authorizes the Lauderdale County Road Department to hire fifteen temporary workers for road maintenance and gives approval to retain the temporary workers through the summer months. 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 that authorizes the Lauderdale County Commission to renew its existing three year agreement with J. Smith Lanier and Company and with Cincinnati Insurance Company for Business Property Insurance coverage. The premium amount is Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and eighty-three dollars per year. The policy coverage dates are from March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 to March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Commissioner Parker asked if this was the same company that we have been using. Brenda Bryant, Lauderdale County Administrator, stated that this is the same company and that they had been bought by J. Smith Lanier. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution that shows the support of the entire Lauderdale County Commission for the proposed Lauderdale County Agri-Business Center. Commissioner Garner stated that he has seen the early plans for the center and that there is great potential for our County and that it would also create big economic growth for the County. Commissioner Holmes stated that this would be a “game changer” for the students of our County and also students of other counties in the region. Commissioner Holmes also stated our region would have an experience like no other in our area. Commissioner Hackworth stated that he would like to add to the excitement and that this center

would be a multi-use facility that he personally feels would be a great opportunity for the citizens of Lauderdale County. Commissioner Garner stated that he wanted to add that this center would be a cross-over facility for everyone to use. Commissioner Parker stated that he agreed with everything that had been said so far and he also stated that the residents of Lauderdale County would use this center but that it would also be a big part of our entire community. Chairman Pettus stated that he is very happy for the center to be built and that the Shoals Community College along with Allen Thornton Tech Center would use the center and that the University of North Alabama could play basketball games there as well. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Peggy Wallace, the RSVP Director, has requested to attend the 2017 Southern National Service Training Conference in Orlando, Florida the week of March 26<sup>th</sup> through March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the out of state travel. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Travel is approved and made part of these minutes.

Revenue Commissioner, Danny Hendrix, has requested that one of his employees be placed on Family Medical Leave beginning on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and ending on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All medical papers are in order. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the Family Medical Leave. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Family Medical Leave is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with the competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid Number – LWCF Project #15-LW-1019 – “Brush Creek Park Renovations”. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for Commissioners to review. Chairman Pettus asked Brenda Bryant, Lauderdale County Administrator, for her recommendations. Ms. Bryant stated that there was only one bid turned in and it was from White, Lynn, Collins, and Associates. Ms. Bryant stated that White, Lynn, Collins, and Associates did the preliminary engineer work for the estimates and that she would recommend that the County accept the bid from White, Lynn, Collins, and Associates. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve the bid. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. The bid is awarded to White, Lynn, Collins, and Associates of Florence, Alabama. Bid is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with the competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. “LA-2017-1” – “Various Print Bids”. Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissioners to review. Chairman Pettus deferred to Brenda Bryant, Lauderdale County Administrator, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that there were two bidders, Harold Printing and Printers and Stationers, both of Florence, Alabama. Ms. Bryant stated that she recommends that Printers and Stationers be awarded the License Department’s Printed Envelopes, Speed Letters, and Business Cards, as they were the lowest bidder on these items. Ms. Bryant stated that she recommends that Herald Printers be awarded the License Department’s Auto Decal Window Envelopes as they were the lowest bidder on this item. Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to award the items to the lowest bidder. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Bid tabulation 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 Garner and seconded by Commissioner Hackworth. Commissioner Hackworth stated that the bill for the new air conditioner for the Lauderdale County Courthouse was included and has been paid for. Commissioner Hackworth also stated that the system was working very well. Ms. Bryant stated that was correct. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 51760-51797	292,906.54
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3545	31.95
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7756-7762	4,347.77
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16283-16297	384,342.56
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 # NA	0.00
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 638	1,725.55
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11016-11027	26,411.75
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
RSVP FUND CHECK # 16885-16892	3,280.81
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1203	1,417.48
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 254	12,360.21
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 6783-6793	81,462.67

ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 38644-38722	248,194.57
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK #N/A	0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1121 & 1122	694,880.32
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 2986-2988	6,525.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOTAL	1,757,887.18

Scheduled Public Hearings: none

Staff Reports: none

Public Comment Period: Commissioner Parker stated that the work being done on the Brush Creek Park Project is moving along and that TVA had requested that we cut 30 trees and that the County had already completed that task. Commissioner Parker stated that he was very excited about the Brush Creek Park Project and stated that he wished to thank Commissioner Hackworth for the work that he has done so far on the project.

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

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION

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Danny Pettus, Chairman

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Brad Holmes, Commissioner

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Roger Garner, Commissioner

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Fay Parker, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

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Brenda Bryant, County Administrator