

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 14th day of August, 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
Brad Holmes	Commissioner, District 1
Roger Garner	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 Roger Garner.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker 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 Holmes 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 Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that authorizes a five-thousand dollar donation to the W.C. Handy Festival which will be paid out of 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 Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve a resolution authorizing the Florence-Lauderdale Emergency Management Agency to remove a Kenwood Mobile Radio – Asset #3856 – from the inventory list. 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 to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Commission along with the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department to enter into a contract with Street Smart by McNeilus of Edina, Minnesota for GPS and vehicle cameras for the garbage trucks. There will be a monthly cost of three thousand one hundred-eighty dollars and seventy-six cents. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and a copy of the contract are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution to change the regularly scheduled work session of September 4th, 2017 to September 5th, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. due to the Labor Day Holiday. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Probate Judge, William Motlow, to enter into a contract with Mickey Haddock for his services of assisting with elections in regard to the proper operation of the election process. Commissioner Holmes stated that we are voting on an issue that did not come about until the person that the Probate Judge previously hired for this position decided not to finish his contract and that this contract with Mr. Haddock will not impact the budget. Commissioner Parker stated that this contract was done under short notice. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of the contract are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution to allow the Lauderdale County Commission to enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting through the Alabama Department of Transportation for the widening and resurfacing of Lauderdale County Road 25 from J.C. Mauldin Highway to State Road 64 – Length is 4.670 Miles – Project # is STPOA-3917 (250), LCP 39-166-16, CPMS Reference #100066856. Commissioner Holmes asked the Lauderdale County Engineer, Eric Hill, if the paving of this road involves or includes the repaired part of that road. Mr. Hill stated that they will not pave over the repaired section. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein attached and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution authorizing a mini grant between the Community Emergency Response Team and the Florence-Lauderdale Emergency Management Agency. The grant is for seven hundred fifty dollars and must be spent by December 31st, 2017. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of grant are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution to authorize the purchase of a dishwasher and a tilt skillet for the jail. Both items will be purchased from Dykes Foodservice Solutions of Huntsville, Alabama. The combined cost of the items is twenty seven thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and sixteen cents which includes installation. Of the total, twenty one thousand three-hundred twenty dollars and three cents will be paid out of the Jail Ad Valorem Tax Residual which will close out that account and the remaining balance in the amount of six thousand three hundred forty-three dollars and thirteen cents will be paid out of the General Fund. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein attached and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Road Bid No. 2017-10, “2003 Grader Repairs”. Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on August 14th, 2017. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissions review. Chairman Pettus asked Lauderdale County Engineer, Eric Hill, for his recommendation. Mr. Hill stated that there was only one bidder for the project and he recommends that we go with Thompson Tractor of Tanner, Alabama who provided a bid amount of thirty three thousand six hundred ninety-eight dollars and seventy-two cents. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve awarding the bid to Thompson Tractor. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid is awarded to Thompson Tractor of Tanner, Alabama. Bid tabulation is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to re-appoint John Yates and Jack Sellers to the Department of Human Resources Board. The re-appointments will renew on 9/1/2017 and expire on 9/30/2023. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Re-appointment is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to re-appoint Chris Kasmeier and Horace Grey to the NACOLG non-elected Board of Directors. The re-appointments will renew on 9/30/2017 and expire on 9/30/2018. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Re-appointment is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to re-appoint Rose Jones and Joe Hackworth to the SEDA Board. The re-appointments will renew on 9/30/2017 and expire on 9/30/2020. Chairman Pettus stated that Commissioner Hackworth will abstain from this vote. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion passed. Commissioner Hackworth abstained. Re-appointment 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 Parker and seconded by Commissioner Holmes. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED JULY 24TH, 2017 THROUGH AUGUST 13TH, 2017

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 52309-52379	\$890,773.01
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3578-3584	\$1,228.33
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7838-7846	\$5,485.01
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16432-16447	\$188,329.70
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 # 646	\$31,995.16
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11132-11142	\$34,751.45
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # 560	\$100,000.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
RSVP FUND CHECK # 16965-16973	\$3,057.20
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1208	\$1,431.65
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 258	\$24,720.42
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 6933-6945	\$115,073.37
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 39193-39281	\$262,358.18
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 2993-2995	\$8,182.50
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
Total	\$1,667,385.98

Scheduled Public Hearings: none

Staff Reports: none

Public Comment Period:

Dan Summy of 124 County Road 28, Florence, Alabama stated that for five years, Dwayne Olive, has been the animal control person for Lauderdale County and that we have a big County that covers over 670 miles. Mr. Summy stated that our one animal control officer has to catch large and small animals and works in extreme danger without proper training. Mr. Summy asked that the County hire another officer for animal control to help Dwayne with his work.

Senator Tim Melson of Alabama stated that he wanted to give the Commissioners an update on the Agriculture Center. Senator Melson stated that the Agriculture Board met with several companies and architects. Senator Melson also stated that they have the Governors support on the project and she is also willing to help with the widening of the road on Highway 72 and that the project has good egress and ingress. Senator Melson went on to say that there are two large hotel companies looking into the area around the Agriculture Center site. Senator Melson stated that when the Center is up and running, there can be 50 to 100 things going on at one time and it's exciting to see all of the events that are possible.

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

Danny Pettus, Chairman

Brad Holmes, Commissioner

Roger Garner, Commissioner

Fay Parker, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

Brenda Bryant, County Administrator