

Minutes of a Regular Meeting
of the
Colbert County Commission
07/21/20

The Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Chairman Gardiner called the work session to order at 5:00 P.M. with the regular meeting following at 6:17 P.M., being the time and place previously scheduled for such work session and regular meeting. All Commissioners answered "present" at the call of the roll. Chairman Gardiner offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Gardiner declared that a quorum was present for the purpose of the transaction of business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Mark Berry with FUSE WIFI addressed the Commission and discussed Broadband options offered by his company based upon utilization of Cell Tower technology.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Gardiner announced that the business before the Commission was the approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Black made motion to adopt and approve the matters placed on the consent agenda during the work session. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Bendall. Chairman Gardiner stated that the adoption and approval of a consent agenda comprised of the following items of business was properly before the Commission and stated the matters as follows:

1. Approved payment of July 21, 2020 bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.
2. Appointed Commissioner David Black as voting Delegate for ACCA Convention.
3. Appointed Commissioner Tommy Barnes as the County's representative to the 2020/2021 ACCA Legislative Committee.
4. Approved Requested Annual Leave Payment for Robert Courtney Morris in the amount of \$656.48.
5. Approved Requested Payment for Absentee Election Manager for Supplies in the amount of \$374.58.
6. Approved Requested Payment for Absentee Election Manager for Clerical Assistance in the amount of \$1,100.00.
7. Approved Requested Payment for Absentee Election Manager in the amount of \$5,750.00.
8. Adopted the following resolution declaring certain property to be surplus:

RESOLUTION 2020-0031

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SURPLUS

WHEREAS, the Colbert County Commission has been informed by the County Engineer that certain property hereinafter described and previously used in performance of duties in the Road Department is no longer required for use by county personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that such property is surplus property and the County has no further use of such property due to the age and

condition thereof, and it would be of no economic benefit for the county to retool or refit the property in order that it be able to be returned to service at the Road Department.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COLBERT COUNTY COMMISSION that the following described property be declared surplus property and be disposed of by the County Engineer in a manner that will require no further expenditure by the County or expose the County to any liability in the further use of or operation of such property and the County Commission does hereby authorize the County Engineer to dispose of said property in such manner. The Commission finds that the following constitutes surplus property:

Equipment Description	Equipment ID
Mack Tri Axle/Oxbody dump truck	CT120
Tri Axle Oxbody Dump Truck	CT121

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 21st day of August, 2020.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Chairman Gardiner announced that the Commission would now hear reports from staff. Upon being recognized by the Chair, the following reports were heard by the Commission:

County Administrator:

Administrator Roger Creekmore reported that the wellness screening will be held on July 30, 2020 and we need all eligible employees to participate. There is a lot on Airport Road that the County owns which Mr. Marvell Allen would like to purchase. The Commission will have to decide if we would like to sell it. This will be addressed at the next meeting. The Commission is hosting a watch party on Wednesday July 19, 2020 for the ACCA meeting. Lunch will be provided by the Auburn Extension Office. Creekmore reported that the wearing of facial masks to enter the Courthouse is required under Governor Ivey's current order. The Commission will host a public hearing on the East Lawn of the Courthouse, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. August 11, 2020 to discuss the railroad overpass.

Chief Financial Officer:

CFO April Bearden announced that the budget kickoff meeting will be held at 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, August 4, 2020 then Thursday August 6, 2020 at 4:30 P.M.

County Attorney:

No Report

EMA Director:

Michael Smith reported that the Health Department expressed their appreciation for the Commissions assistance in the Covid-19 testing site. Grant opening bids for the Abby Church Strom Shelter has begun. Sheffield's Storm Shelter is still in the works. The Commission is invited on August 4, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Hall of Fame Banquet Hall, for the Volunteer Fire Departments. Their PPE's are in. The EMA Dept. would like to have a Rescue and Training Center Facility on the Property of Alloy Park. They would like a Boat Ramp and a Boat House. Gardiner suggests to provide a Boat Ramp and to

use other land for training. The Kelly Group approved a grant in the amount of \$32,850.00 for Geotechnical Study. Gardiner states that we have \$50,000.00 given to us by Senator Stutts. Out of that, we can take \$16,000.00 to use for the project and pay the remaining.

County Engineer:

Chief Engineer Jeremy Robison reported that his department is starting paving tomorrow, if weather permits. Mr. Robison is working with attorney Edgar Black to try to recoup monies owed by 20 past due customers.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Gardiner stated that the business before the Commission was consideration of a request by the Probate Judge for payment for his services in certifying a voter's list to be used on Election day for the July 14, 2020 Primary Run-off Election in the amount of \$2,131.55. Commissioner Black made motion for consideration of the request. Commissioner Bendall seconded the motion. Chairman Gardiner asked whether there was any discussion to be had. There being none, Chairman Gardiner called for vote. Commissioners Barnes, Bailey, Gardiner, Bendall, and Hovater voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Black voted in opposition to the motion. The Chair announced that the motion had carried.

Commissioner Gardiner expressed his appreciation for a successful ride to raise money for St. Jude Hospital.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, upon motion duly made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Bendall, Chairman Gardiner inquired whether any Commissioner opposed adjournment and, there being none, announced that the meeting was adjourned.

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 2

CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 5

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 6