

STATE OF ALABAMA }

COLBERT COUNTY }

APRIL 18, 2017

Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Commissioner Gardiner, acting as Chairman in Chairman's Jimmar's absence, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Commissioners present were Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Bendall and Commissioner Hovater. Commissioner Black and Commissioner Jimmar were not present. Commissioner Gardiner declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was convened and opened for the purposes of transaction of business. County Administrator Kathy Polk was also present and kept the minutes of the meeting. Commissioner Hovater offered the invocation.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Gardiner stated that the business before the Commission was the approval of the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Hovater made motion to approve consent agenda. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. The motion passed with all Commissioners voting aye.

1. Approved minutes from the April 4, 2017 Commission meeting.
2. Approved payment of bills as presented to the Commission.
3. Approved the request by Colbert County Board of Education for property located behind the Board of Education Central Office. Commissioners consented to donating the property to the Colbert County Board of Education for purpose of constructing a facility to provide the Board with a safe room, needed infrastructure for the technology hub, a centralized location for county-wide professional development, and parking. Mr. James Brumley was present representing the Colbert County Board of Education.
4. Approved Harold Kimbrough to be used for maintenance on county-owned generators, located at the Jail-EMA building. Mr. Kimbrough's charge for maintenance is \$95.00 per hour.
5. Approved amendment of minutes of March 21, 2017 Commission meeting to reflect that Mr. Brad Whitehead will continue to serve on the BCDA Board of Directors until the term is completed May, 2020.

6. Approved request by County Engineer John Bedford for an equipment loan for Road Department. Equipment needed is 4100 Grad all, tractors, 2 knuckle boom cutters, Mac truck, 5 tandem tracks, sign/bucker truck, chip spreader, and whitegoods. Cost of equipment is 1,195,892.00. Public Highway and Traffic and 7-cent gasoline will fund 400,000.00 of equipment and the loan will be for 795,892.00
7. Approved resolution providing for Colbert County's annual participation in the Sales Tax Holiday for back to school supplies. The tax free holiday will be third full weekend of July beginning at 12:01 a.m. on third Friday of July and ending at twelve midnight on third Sunday in July.
8. Approved request by Probate Judge Daniel Rosser for an extra employee for three weeks in order to provide training for new employee and a change of duties for employee replacing Kathy Moody, who is retiring in May.
9. Approved personnel changes requested by Sheriff Frank Williamson. The changes requested are reclassification of Head Jailer to Jail Administrator and Assistant Chief to Lieutenant/Assistant Chief. The job descriptions for these new positions were presented and approved.
10. Approved request by County Engineer John Bedford to declare surplus a 2002 Snap-on color graphic scanner.

#### REPORTS FROM STAFF

**Administrator:** Ms. Polk reported that the contract for commercial garbage pickup will expire October 1, 2017. The contract is currently with Competitive Waste Systems. The Commission can accept a one-time three year renewal at the current rate or the Commission can accept bids for commercial garbage pickup services. If bids are accepted, the bid process need to begin in July.

Ms. Polk also reported that the road side litter crew began working this week.

**Engineer:** Mr. Bedford reported that the temporary mechanic will be reporting to duty as soon as cleared by required physical. Mr. Bedford also reported that the American Tank Maintenance will be replacing the standpipe in the water tank at Barton Industrial Park. The cost is 17,100.00.

**Attorney:** Mr. Black offered no report.

#### INSPIRATIONAL LANDING SHEFFIELD

Commissioner Gardiner announced the next item of business on the agenda was Mr. John Elkington to give an overview of the proposed development of

Inspirational Landing located in Sheffield. The development will include a Marina with 24 slips, an amphitheater, and residential lots. The request for Commission is to hold off property tax and sales tax for 5-6 years. A commitment to this proposal is needed in 45 days. No action was taken on this item.

REQUEST FOR LIQUOR MANUFACTURER LICENSE-DAWSON DISTILLERY

Commissioner Gardiner announced the next item of business before the Commission was the request by Joanne Dawson for liquor license for the manufacture of distilled spirits to be manufactured at Dawson Distillery located at 1064 LaGrange College Lane, Leighton, Alabama. Commissioners expressed concerns about fire protection and safety at the Distillery location.

Commissioner Bendall requested this item be placed on hold.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Hovater commented on the Annual Chuck Wagon Race held at Seven Spring Lodge/Rattlesnake Saloon during the week of May 2-7, 2017 with races on Saturday and Sunday.

With no further business, Commissioner Hovater made motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and all Commissioners concurred.

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