

STATE OF ALABAMA }

COLBERT COUNTY }

MAY 2, 2017

Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Commissioner Gardiner, acting as Chairman in Chairman Jimmar's absence, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Commissioner Barnes, Commissioner Black, Commissioner Gardiner, Commissioner Bendall, and Commissioner Hovater. Commissioner Jimmar was 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 minute of the meeting. Commissioner Black offered the invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approved payment of bills as presented to the Commission.
2. Approved donation of a vehicle from the Sheriff's department to LaGrange Volunteer Fire and Rescue, as requested.
3. Approved request by Probate Judge Rosser for a sign to be placed on the Water Street entrance to Courthouse. The sign informs the public of what is required to purchase vehicle tags and titles to reduce waiting time in line and possibility of having to go thru security an extra time.
4. Approved Proclamation to designate May 14 thru 20, 2017 as National Police Week in Colbert County. The proclamation publicly salutes the service of the law enforcement officers in our community and honors all fallen officers and their families. The U. S. Flag will be flown at half-staff in honor and memory of these officers.
5. Approved request for payment of accumulated annual leave for \$144.48 to Seth Kimbrough.
6. Approved change of speed limit on Howard Lane (South of J-McGee Road) as recommended by County Engineer John Bedford. The speed limit will be posted as 25 m.p.h.

7. Approved request from County Engineer John Bedford for number of Water Tech II position slots to be increased from four to five. The change will not add any employees to the department.
8. Approved request from County Engineer John Bedford to declare surplus SE5274 Grid Roller.
9. Approved to authorize County Administrator Kathy Polk to sign letter of commitment for 1st Southern Bank for equipment loan as requested by County Engineer John Bedford. The request for purchase of equipment was approved at the April 18, 2017 meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gardiner announced the next item of business was the approval of minutes from April 18, 2017 Commission meeting. Commissioner Hovater made motion to waive the reading of the minutes and to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Bendall seconded the motion. Commissioner Gardiner called for a vote. Commissioner Barnes voted yay. Commissioner Black abstained. Commissioner Gardiner voted yay. Commissioner Bendall voted yay. Commissioner Hovater voted yay. The motion passed.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Administrator: Ms. Polk reminded Commissioners of contract that can be renewed or re-bid for commercial garbage pickup.

Engineer: Mr. Bedford reported the he is working with 1st Southern Bank for equipment loan. Mr. Bedford also reported that the County has a 30 year lease for property around Hayes Landing Boat Ramp and that the lease will be coming up for renewal soon.

Attorney: Mr. Black offered no report.

REQUEST FOR LIQUOR MANUFACTURER LICENSE-DAWSON DISTILLERY

Commissioner Gardiner announced the next item of business is Dawson Distillery request for manufacturer of liquor licenses. Commissioner Bendall requested that a public hearing be set for May 16, 2017 at the regular Commission meeting. Ms. Dawson requested that the Commissioners vote at this meeting on the license application. After a discussion on the request, Commissioners set the next meeting for the public hearing. Administrator Kathy Polk asked if the Commissioners wanted the public hearing printed in the Times

Daily or posted at Courthouse. Commissioners instructed Ms. Polk to have notice printed in Times Daily.

CORONER REQUEST FOR EQUIPMENT

Commissioner Gardiner announced the next item of business is the Coroner's request for equipment. Mr. Utley request cooling units to store deceased persons until next of kin can be notified. Commissioners requested this item be put on the next agenda and Keller Hospital CEO Paul Storey be invited to Commission meeting to enlist his help, since the Hospital already has the equipment.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Barnes commented on the security system and if Attorneys were going to be permitted to receive badges that would allow them to enter Courthouse without having to go through metal detector. Commissioner Gardiner requested that it be put on the next agenda and requested Ms. Polk to talk to Judge Hughston about a list of Attorneys. Commissioner Barnes questioned interest shown in an ATM machine being installed in the Courthouse. Ms. Polk reported that one had been approved for a trial period and was in the process of being installed.

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