

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COLBERT COUNTY)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting
Of the
Colbert County Commission
8/6/2019

The Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Chairman Black called the work session to order at 5:05 P.M. with the regular meeting following at 6:42 P.M., being the time and place previously scheduled for such work session and regular meeting. Members present were Chairman David Black, and Commissioners Tommy Barnes, Tori Bailey, Darol Bendall, and Charles Hovater. Chairman Black offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Black declared that a quorum was present for the purpose of the transaction of business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Chairman Black recognized former Commissioner and Chairman of the Public Park Authority of the Shoals Rex Burleson, who reported to the Commission that the Authority's Series 2003 Special Obligation Bonds and Series 2011 Refunding Special Obligation Bonds had been fully redeemed by the Authority as of November 30th 2018. Mr. Burleson further reported that levy and collection of the \$0.02 excise tax upon the sale of motor fuel had ceased pursuant to the terms of the legislation which initially authorized said tax. Mr. Burleson further reported after the bond redemption and the payment of expenses incurred in winding up the Authority's operations, the Authority was left with surplus funds. Pursuant to the terms of the Authority's Trust Indentures, any surplus funds shall be equally distributed between Colbert and Lauderdale Counties to be used solely for road improvements in such counties Mr. Burleson, on behalf of the Public Park Authority presented the Commission with a check of \$196,335.20. The Commission expressed thanks to Mr. Burleson and the other members of the Authority's Board of Directors for their service to the County's citizens and for their prudent stewardship of the public funds with which the Authority was entrusted.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Black announced that the business before the Commission was the approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Barnes made motion to adopt and approve the matters placed on the consent agenda during the work session. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Bailey. Chairman Black 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. Waive reading of minutes from July 16, 2019, and approve the same as amended.
2. Approve payment of bills as presented.

3. Approved generally a request from R & E, LLC, to lease the property located at 201 N. Water St. from the County for a period of approximately three (3) months beginning on October 1, 2019 and continuing into January 2019 for the rental amount of \$11,043.00. The County Attorney will prepare a proposed lease containing specific terms to the Commission for final approval.
4. Appointed Shinika Byrd to the Colbert County DHR Board of Directors to fill the vacancy created by the death of Board Member Jerry Wages. Ms. Byrd shall serve the remainder of Mr. Wages' term.;
5. Approved the installation of a "No Dumping" sign along Milk Springs Rd. at its intersection with Cedar Ridge Rd. The County Engineer shall determine final sign placement, installation, and design.
6. Adopted a Resolution declaring as surplus certain property in the service of EMA and authorized the EMA Director to dispose of such property in the manner set forth in the resolution.
7. Adopted proposed form of a rental agreement and indemnity contract to be executed by persons seeking private use of East Colbert Senior Citizen Center and adopted a schedule of fees by persons who use the Center for such purposes.
8. Adopted and approved a four (4) year plan to address the expenditure of funds received pursuant to the Rebuild Alabama Act and/or loans secured thereby, any such funds so received shall only be used for preservation, improvement or maintenance of transportation infrastructure; matching funds for federal road or bridge projects; payment of debt for road and bridge projects; and joint projects with one or more adjoining counties, or with cities, or with cities and counties. The plan shall be known as the "Colbert County Rebuild Alabama Paving Plan" for Years 2020-2023".
9. Adopted a resolution awarding bid for the purchase of a Zumro Air Shelter for use by the Colbert County EMA. Bid packages were opened on August 2, 2019 at 2:00 PM, and were then reviewed for compliance with the bid documents by EMA Director Smith. Based upon such review, Director Smith informed the Commission that Superior Industrial Supply was the lowest responsible and responsive bidder and recommended the Commission approve award of the bid to Superior Industrial Supply in the amount of \$24,331.18.
10. Authorized the EMA Director to draft and send a Letter of Intent to Alabama EMA to establish Colbert County's interest in participation in the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and to identify those projects that are priority for Colbert County, including, but not limited to, the construction of a storm shelter within the municipal limits of Sheffield Alabama. In the event that funds are allocated for the construction of such a storm shelter, the County's obligation to accept such funds and construct the storm shelter is contingent upon the city of Sheffield's expression of two take over ownership and maintenance of the shelter subsequent to the completion of construction.
11. Consented to Conveyance of Storm Shelters to the City of Sheffield contingent on approval by Sheffield City Council.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Chairman Black 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

It was reported that construction of restrooms is now complete Rose Trail Park. Announced Colbert County Extension Office grass roots meeting to be held on Aug 7, 2019 @ 11:00 A.M. in the

Media Room located in the Courthouse basement. Announced NACOLG's annual fish fry to be held August 29, 2019 at the NW Shoals Community College Gymnasium at 6:00 P.M. It was requested that the Commission select a representative to serve on the ACCA Legislative Committee for 2020. After a brief discussion, and the assent of those Commissioners present, Commissioner Barnes announced that he will continue to serve on the committee. The Commission was informed of a request for donations from the Shoals Area Labor Council for the Shoals Labor Day Event. Announced the Labor Day Parade will be held Sept. 2, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. Informed Commission of a job title change in Revenue Commissioner's office, Brian Hall will now have title of Deputy Revenue Commissioner; there is no change in pay. Announced Tomato Sandwich Day will take place Friday August 9, 2019 on the courthouse lawn. The Commission was informed of possible mitigation funds available to construct an additional storm shelter through Alabama EMA administration of federal disaster mitigation funds. The Administrator apprised Commission that the grant application for MPO/PL funds had been submitted to ALDOT by NACOLG on Aug 5, 2019. Announced that budget meetings will be held at 4:00 PM on August 13th, 15th and 27th, 2019, in the Commission meeting room. The rescheduled August 20 Regular Commission Meeting will begin immediately after the budget hearing on August 13. It was announced that Commissioner Tori Bailey has completed training classes required for County Commissioners.

Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Bearden informed the Commission that S & P Global Ratings has reinstated its AA-rating of Colbert County's Series 2010 general obligation refunding warrants, and provided a summary report from S&P for Commissioner's review.

County Attorney

Mr. Black has reviewed property descriptions for the property on Hickory Street to be conveyed to the City of Tuscumbia and will prepare a resolution and warranty deed for consideration by the Commission at a later meeting.

EMA Director

Mr. Smith informed the Commission that the US Army Corps of Engineers will hold a flood planning meeting on Wednesday August 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM in Room 101 of the Bevil Center, located on the campus of Northwest Shoals Community College.

County Engineer

Mr. Bedford updated the Commission on the expected start dates and the procedures for the County's upcoming paving projects.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

There being no further business to come before the Commission, upon motion duly made and seconded, Chairman Black announced that the meeting was adjourned.

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4

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