

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COLBERT COUNTY)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Colbert County Commission 6/18/2019

The Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Chairman Barnes called the work session to order at 5:00 P.M. with the regular meeting following at 5:40 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. Commissioner Bendall offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Barnes declared that a quorum was present for the purpose of the transaction of business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- The Shoals Archeometalology Society requested permission to conduct metal detecting on the Courthouse Lawn. They presented pictures showing the size of hole to be dug if metal is found, which would be filled back in after extraction. Commissioner Black went on record that he is opposed to digging in the yard. Commissioner Bailey requested that exploration / digging not be conducted until after the W. C. Handy Festival due to events on the Courthouse Lawn.
- Siemens Company gave an annual report on the energy saving project. It was reported that energy control systems are functioning properly and energy savings are as projected.
- An update was given by the County Engineer, John Bedford, on Limekiln Hollow Road reporting that the installation of the Geogrid material appears to be effective on the high weight / traffic areas. Future plan is to overlay areas with Plant Mix Asphalt. Repairs to Limekiln Hollow Road may go through January. Mr. Mike Zurzak of Limekiln Hollow Dr. posed the question if access to the pit could go thru Alice Taylor Road.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Barnes announced that the business before the Commission was the approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Gardiner 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 Barnes 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 June 4, 2019 and approve the same as presented;
2. Approve payment of bills as presented;
3. Consented to allow use of Coast Guard Building by Sheriff's Department;
4. Consented to the adoption of County Procurement Policy;
5. Consented proposed changes to Travel Policy with changes by Commissioner Bailey;

6. Consented payment of Colbert County Reporter invoice of \$1,395.00 and to present the same to the City of Muscle Shoals for reimbursement;
7. Consented the approval of Assistant County Engineer Job Description with amendments proposed by Commissioner Bailey;
8. Consented to the approval of Cedar Ridge Homes, a planned unit development submitted by Mr. Ed Mondeck. The County Engineer indicated to the Commission that he had reviewed the proposed development and recommended its approval;
9. Consented the award of paving bid to Rogers Group for 3,153,929.50, as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder;
10. Consented the award of striping bid to Ozark as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for road striping through 9/20/2020;

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Chairman Barnes 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

An estimate by North Alabama Glass for the Sheriff's request for glass door unit in north corridor: \$2995.00. Music on the Courthouse Lawn for Kick off of W.C. Handy parade will be on July 20, 2019, city of Tuscumbia to assist with lawn clean-up. Reminder for the Commission that Thursday, June 27, 2019, is the Helen Keller Parade. T-Shirts for the parade were supplied by the Colbert County Tourism. Keys to the safe deposit box have been located; box was opened by Administrator Creekmore and CFO Bearden and found to be empty. Pictures of rusting and paint failure on Community Storm Shelters at E. 15th Street Sheffield (Manning Homes), Crooked Oak and Maud were presented to the Commission. These shelters were warranted for 1 year by manufacturer, Safe-T-Shelters and are now outside the warranty period. Administrator estimates cost to Abrasive Blast and repaint each shelter at \$6,000.00. Some are reported having mold issues. Dehumidification systems were purchased to prevent mold for some shelters. The ACCA will be notified of said issues to alert other counties. These units are all less than 4 years old. Administrator will tour the shelters installed in 2018 and look for similar problems and will contact the manufacturer. Sheriff has informed Commission via Administrator that Emmondo Reeder is no longer employed as a fulltime jailer, Jessica McCoy will begin as Part-Time Booking /Jailer, effective June 10, Jessie Grimes will begin employment as fulltime in Booking Department, effective June 10 and Benjamin Reed will begin employment as fulltime Jailer effective June 7.

Chief Financial Officer

There was no report made.

County Attorney

There was no report made.

EMA Director

Interviews open position at EMA is in progress. Two vehicles have stopped working. The third vehicle needs an engine. They would like to see monies moved around be able to purchase a new vehicle. Made request for the Art Students at Colbert Heights High School to paint the storm shelter at Colbert Heights to match school colors.

County Engineer

Bids for paving program came in 13% lower than anticipated at \$77.00/ton; came in at \$64.00/ton. Bedford recommends that award be given to Rogers Group. Ozark was the only bid put in for striping.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Barnes stated that the next item of business before the Commission was consideration of the request from the Shoals Archeometalologists Society for permission to search the Courthouse grounds using metal detection devices. Chairman Barnes stated that should the request be approved, the Shoals Archeometalologists Society would bear responsibility for repairing the ground as nearly as possible to its original condition and that any items found would be property of the County. Additionally, no activity would be permitted until after completion of the W.C. Handy Festival event scheduled to take place on the Courthouse grounds in July. Commissioner Gardiner made motion to grant permission upon the terms stated by Chairman Barnes. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Bailey. After discussion, Chairman Barnes called for the vote of the Commission, which was had by roll call as follows:

Chairman Barnes	Yay
Commissioner Black	Nay
Commissioner Gardiner	Yay
Commissioner Bailey	Abstain
Commissioner Bendall	Yay
Commissioner Hovater	Yay

Chairman Barnes announced that the motion had carried.

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

CHAIRMAN

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 2

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 5

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 6