

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COLBERT COUNTY)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting
of the
Colbert County Commission
3/15/2022

The Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Chairman Isom called the work session to order at 5:03 p.m. with the regular meeting following at 5:57 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 Mansell offered the prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Isom declared that a quorum was present for the purpose of the transaction of business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BOARD APPOINTEE REPORTS

None

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARING

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Isom 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 Mansell. Chairman Isom 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. Waived reading of March 1, 2022 minutes and approved the same as written.
2. Approved payment of March 15, 2022 bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. Set Public Hearing for April 5, 2022, to receive public input regarding application for transfer of ABC License Type 050 - Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) filed by Ford City Station, LLC.
4. Approved Request for Proposals Number 2022-01 - Architectural and Engineering Services for Criminal Justice Center Project.
5. Approved renewal of fuel bid from Tatum Oil, previously adopted by Resolution 2000-0024.
6. Approved renewal of liquid asphalt bid from Ergon Asphalt, previously adopted by Resolution 2000-0024.
7. Approved Bluffs at Bear Creek Subdivision Plat.
8. Approved Premium Pay for employees above salary cap to be paid from County General Fund.

9. Approved application for increase in Rose Trail LWCF grant request to \$500,000.00. This grant requires a 50% match.
10. Authorized County Engineer Robison to send a letter on behalf of Colbert County, the Colbert County Commission, and the Colbert County Water Department electing to opt out of 3M litigation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Chairman Isom announced that the Commission would 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 he was contacted by Joseph Ponder with ADECA on Monday regarding LWCF grant for Rose Trail Park. ADECA is willing to consider an increase the grant amount from \$350,000 to \$500,000. The RTC grant for Alloy Parks is also expected to be awarded in April. Creekmore also reported that our maintenance worker, Scott Dawsey, is out on FMLA and will be out at least 12 weeks until his return. Admin. Creekmore would like to hire a temporary PT position to fill in for Scott in his absence. Fred Joly approached Admin. Creekmore regarding space available in The American Legion Building, which might possibly be used for a joint County /Tuscumbia archives/museum. The cost would be approximately \$10,000 for both City and County. Creekmore will contact the City of Tuscumbia about the matter.

Chief Financial Officer:

CFO April Eaton reported that she has hired Barbara Ellis as Payroll Clerk with a \$35,963.11 annual salary. This position will be Grade 10 Step 1. She informed the Commission that she will be out on Friday due to a procedure. If she cannot come in to work, she will work from home. This is in agreeance with the Commission.

County Attorney:

Attorney Black briefed the Commission on the 3M class action settlement. He advised that the County opt out of the proposed settlement class. There is no monetary pay out to the County if it remains in the settlement class. If the County opts out, the Water Department would be free to but not required to seek its own claim in the future. The deadline for opt out letters is March 17, 2022 (postmarked). Commissioner Barnes as well as Robison agrees with Attorney Black.

EMA Director:

Mr. Jody Hitt reported that the weather radios grant was approved. The vaccine clinic will be in NW and SE Sheffield on the 24th. He also reported that Ken Blackstock passed away and visitation will be tomorrow at Woodward Baptist Church.

County Engineer:

Chief Engineer Jeremy Robison reported that he has hired Jason Hurt to start next Monday. He also reported that the pump station project has been approved but has been delayed until June. The speed cushions were installed on Blue Road.

NEW BUSINESS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

None

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 2

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 5

CHAIRMAN