

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COLBERT COUNTY)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting
of the
Colbert County Commission
06/21/2022

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 5:55 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

Traci King with Waste Connections introduced herself to the Commissioners and discussed Waste Connection's Commercial Garbage Contract with the County.

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 Mansell made motion to adopt and approve the matters placed on the consent agenda during the work session. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Gardiner. 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 June 7th, 2022 minutes and approved the same as written.
2. Approved payment of June 21st, 2022 bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. Approved Re-appointment of Mr. Steve Hargrove to the Colbert County Northwest Alabama Healthcare Authority governing board for a term to end 12/31/27
4. Approved award for Architectural Services for the Colbert County Justice Complex to Lambert Ezell Durham of Florence.
5. Approved Letter for Charter / Spectrum to be sent to ADECA in support of efforts to obtain ABA Funds for expansion of Broadband build-outs in Colbert County.
6. Approved Letter for Comcast to be sent to ADECA in support of efforts to obtain ABA Funds for expansion of Broadband build-outs in Colbert County.
7. Approved award for Architectural Services for the Lagrange Senior Center to Robert W. Whitten of Florence.

8. Approved request from Ms. Betsey Frick for the vacation of an extension of Old Covered Bridge Road, by adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2022-0043

*A RESOLUTION TO VACATE A PORTION OF OLD COVERED
BRIDGE ROAD*

WHEREAS, Jamie Lynn Frick and Johna Betsy Frick are the owners of all of the lands and properties abutting the streets and rights of way hereinafter set out, being a part of West Old Covered Bridge Road; said Petitioners being desirous of vacating said street, or portions thereof, and having presented their signed Petition for Vacation to the Colbert County Commission, for its consideration, assent, and approval; and

WHEREAS, the property above referred to is more particularly described as follows:

PORTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY TO BE VACATED:

That portion of a paved road known as Old Covered Bridge Road lying west of the Natchez Trace Parkway right-of-way. Said right-of-way being 25' on either side of the centerline of said roadway on the western right-of-way of the Natchez Trace Parkway and continuing thence in a westerly direction along the centerline of the existing pavement for approximately 900' to the end of pavement.

The above-described right-of-way being the same as that described in that certain prescriptive right of way declaration dated August 9, 2006, and appearing of record at Book 2006-30, Page 836, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Colbert County, Alabama.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Petitioners, as the owners of all property abutting the said a portion of West Old Covered Bridge Road to be vacated, have complied with all requirements of applicable laws relating to the vacation of streets and rights-of-way within Colbert County, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Colbert County Commission has determined that convenient means of ingress and egress to and from their property is otherwise afforded to all other property owners owning property along the said West Old Covered Bridge Road, such means of ingress and egress being afforded by the remaining dedicated streets in the area.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COLBERT COUNTY COMMISSION, that the assent of the Colbert County Commission be and the same is hereby given and granted to the vacation of the portion of West Old Covered Bridge Road hereinabove described.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Colbert County Commission be, and said Chairperson hereby is, authorized and instructed to execute a quitclaim deed conveying to the Petitioners, in fee simple, that portion of West Old Covered Bridge Road hereinabove vacated to the extent it abuts the properties owned by the Petitioners, respectively.

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9. Approved appointments of Commissioner Tommy Barnes, Commissioner Darol Bendall and Mr. Ronald Ballman to the Greater Shoals Broadband Cooperative District Board of Directors.
 10. Approved request for annual leave payment to Ronald Mitchell in the amount of \$3,225.50
 11. Approved Payment of \$2,095.00 to Emily Benson for Testing of Voting Machines.
 12. Approved pay request for Certification of Absentee Voter Roll to Daniel Rosser in the amount of \$2,154.65.
 13. Approved pay request for Certification of Election Day Voter Roll for the May 24, 2022 Primary Election to Daniel Rosser in the amount of \$2,153.90.

14. Approved pay request for Certification of Election Day Voter Roll for the June 21, 2022 Primary Runoff Election to Daniel Rosser in the amount of \$2,158.95.
15. Approved Kelley Group Task Order No. 5, (KG-Project No 21-0029) TVA Waterline Study in the amount of \$12,000.00
16. Approved appointment of Dr. Alyce Brown to the NACOLG Non-Elected Board of Directors to fill position vacant due to passing of Andy Smith.

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 Creekmore informed the Commission of the resignation of Roger Mitchell from the Colbert County Sheriff's Department. Effective June 12, 2022, Jordan Montgomery began working as a full-time booking / jailer at pay rate of \$29,047.20 annually. Hunter White has been promoted, effective July 1, 2022 to position of Deputy, with the non - certified pay rate of \$30,769.96 annually. County Administrator recognized and congratulated Deputy EMA Director Jody Hitt for his accomplishment in receiving the 2022 Pat Neubauer award. Administrator requested that the Grounds-keeper open position be changed to part-time and the current, temporary grass cutting position held by Bradley Bump be made permanent, there was no objections by Commissioners.

Chief Financial Officer:

CFO April Eaton announced that 2023 Budget Hearings will begin in August. Ms. Eaton also announced the completion of the employee premium pay disbursements, and will be presenting the Commission with Budget adjustments to account for same at the July 5, 2022 Commission meeting.

County Attorney:

No Report

EMA Director:

No Report

County Engineer:

County Engineer Jeremy Robison reported that due to hot weather working hours at road department will be change to 6:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. through September 2022. Charter Communications has requested utility permits for the Broadband buildout in the County. Engineer also informed and discussed the recent EPA Communication regarding PFOS. Robison also reported that he is working with the Kelley Group on potential projects to apply for ADEM Grants and asked the Commission to consider using ARPA funds to supplement any monies which may be received.

NEW BUSINESS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Isom requested that the Special Event Handbook be on the July 5, 2022 Agenda.

Commission Barnes requested that the Tennessee River Line letter of support be on the July 5 Agenda.

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 2

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 5

CHAIRMAN