

STATE OF ALABAMA )  
COLBERT COUNTY )

Minutes of a Regular Meeting  
of the  
Colbert County Commission  
2/4/2025

The Colbert County Commission met today in regular session at the Colbert County Courthouse. Chairperson Bailey called the work session to order at 5:00 p.m. with the regular meeting following at 5:10 p.m., the time and place previously scheduled for such work session and regular meeting. All Commissioners answered "present" at the call of the roll except for Commissioner Tyrus Mansell and Commissioner Tommy Barnes who were absent. Commissioner Gardiner offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairperson Bailey 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

Chairperson Bailey announced that the business before the Commission was the approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Gardiner made a motion to adopt and approve the matters placed on the consent agenda during the work session. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Bendall. Chairperson Bailey 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. Approved January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting minutes as written and waived reading of same.
2. Approved January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 meeting minutes as written and waived reading of the same.
3. Approved payment of February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.
4. Approved The Kelley Group to provide services related to ADEM system interconnectedness survey grant, for the purpose conducting a system-wide water study to assess the improvements needed and the associated costs to provide county water to water systems in Colbert County.
5. Approved Reimbursement from Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$28,140.95, to the County Road Department for additional expenses incurred due to the recent snow event.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## REPORTS FROM STAFF

Chairperson Bailey 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 made the following reports: The Town of Leighton sends thanks for the contribution of the Senior Center. Keeping the Shoals Beautiful sent communications that they have received their appropriation and discussed how it was disbursed. They reported that 28,177 lbs. of waste removed last year.

### **County CFO:**

CFO April Eaton made the following report: There were a few matters discussed at the Alabama Mountain Lakes Tourism Association Board meeting that could benefit our county. There is a program called Flawlessal.com that is 100% free for front line workers. It's a \$1.2 mil grant providing a free 2-day training in customer service with a twist; the training is a holistic approach to customer service by learning to use emotional intelligence when dealing with people. They can also do workshops catered to specific business needs. The Mountain Lakes Tourism is also involved in Wheel the World. The goal of this organization is to make travel assessable to everyone. A presentation will be held June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Cooks Museum in Decatur. Present will be various influencers who were able to overcome their handicap challenges. The group will be identifying different North Alabama tourism sights that are handicap assessable.

### **County Attorney:**

No Report

### **E-911/EMA Director:**

No Report

### **County Engineer:**

County Engineer Jeremy Robison made the following report: The foundation on the new water tank will start on Thursday.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Bendall Thanked the Commission and everyone in attendance for the Grand Opening for the LaGrange Senior Center. They had a packed house and the senior residents had a grand time gathering and chatting amongst each other.

Chairperson Bailey recognized Mr. Eddie Mitchell, SEDA Board member who was in attendance for the Commission meeting.

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