Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the **Colbert County Commission** 05/20/2025

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 5:16 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 with the exception of Commissioner Tommy Barnes and Commissioner Tyrus Mansell who were absent. Commissioner David Isom 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 May 01, 2025, meeting minutes and waived reading of same.
- 2. Approved May 20, 2025 bills as presented by County C.F.O.
- 3. Approved request for payment of unused accrued annual leave by Steve Jefferies in the amount of \$3,493.07.
- 4. Approved request for payment of unused accrued annual leave by Coleton Young in the amount of \$1,654.52.
- 5. Approved purchase of advertisement in the Times Daily "Living Here" edition at the full-colored rate of \$877.00. This is the same rate as the advertisement purchased last year.
- 6. Approved contract with the Colbert County Board of Education to provide School Resource Officers to Colbert County Schools for the 2025-2026 school year.

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 Commission received an invitation to attend the STEM Robotics program at the Sheffield Public Library. Jonathan Martin was hired at the Road Department as an HMT1 effective May 16 with a starting salary of \$29,827.20. Robert Rodriquez was also hired at the Road Department May 16 with a starting salary of \$29,827.20. Creekmore reported that the request for bids regarding the detention center will be advertised later this week with a bid opening date set for June 26.

County CFO:

CFO April Eaton made the following reports: The annual audit by the Department of Public Examiners started yesterday.

County Attorney:

Not Present

E-911/EMA Director:

Not Present

County Engineer:

County Engineer Jeremy Robison made the following reports: There are 2 open positions in the Water Department. Kelly Deaton will fill one of the two positions. There was a follow-up with pavement marker contractor regarding damaged and missing road markers throughout the county requested by Chairperson Bailey. The current bid is \$5.40/marker. If we order at least 5,000 markers, the cost will be \$5.20/marker. If 10,000 markers are ordered, the cost will be \$5.00/marker with the minimum project accepted is \$3,500, which would not be sufficient to replace reflectors in the two districts that need the most reflectors. Striping was discussed in place of markers, but Engineer Robison reported that striping is more expensive than the reflective markers. Robison estimated \$3,500/each district, excluding District 2 which does not need them. Commissioner Bendall suggested the Commission wait until the next budget process. Administrator Creekmore suggested to the Commission wait until next month when the next severance tax money payment is received.

NEW BUSINESS None

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS None

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 2

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 3

CHAIRPERSON

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 5

COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 6