

ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING JANUARY 24, 2017

The St. Clair County Commission met in regular session on January 24, 2017 in the County Commission Chambers of the St. Clair County Courthouse in Pell City, Alabama.

Members Present: Paul Manning, Chairman
Jeff Brown, Commissioner District One
Ken Crowe, Commissioner District Two
Tommy Bowers, Commissioner District Three
Jimmy Roberts, Commissioner District Four

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Laura Lawley, Administrator
Donna Wood, CFO
Dan Dahlke, Engineer
Gary Hanner, Daily Home/St. Clair Times
James E. Hill, III, County Attorney
Harold Hoyle, Property Manager
Don Smith, St. Clair EDC
Jeff Green, Pell City School System
Billy Murray, Assistant Sheriff
Donald B Howell, St. Clair Co. Sheriff's Dept.
Lyman Lovejoy, Lovejoy Realty
Austin Nash, Jail Administrator
Evelyn Nash, Visitor
Kelley Keeton, The Kelley Group
Bart Redden, Long Term Care Insurance
Wayne Johnson, Veterans Outreach

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman declared a quorum present at 9:05 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the Agenda be approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Commissioner Crowe, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the minutes of Public Hearing of January 5, 2017 and the regular meeting of January 10, 2017 be approved with the exception of those that are questioned by any Commissioner before the close of business today.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The first item of the Engineer's report was an informational item. He said they have been managing a project for the Town of Ashville. Town of Ashville has a resurface job on 10th Street. The contractors have done the sidewalks and they have started the leveling and will soon start the wearing surface.

The Engineer said they been working on Hazelwood Drive, the relocation project, trying to get some core samples. He met with the consultant and made an access pass so he could get his drilling rig out there to be able get the sample. He also said that he got the other property owner to sign the agreement. Chairman Manning thanked the Property owner for working with us and he thanked the County Engineer for his hard work as well. Mr. Dahlke said City of Pell City has been a big help also.

The next item was to discuss Resolution and Agreement with ALDOT for the corridor study on US 411. Mr. Dahlke said they will discuss this at the next meeting because he has a few things that he needs to check into before approving this item.

The next item was to discuss Bid #22 for the chip spreader. He said the lowest bidder was Cowin Equipment in the amount of \$258,604.00 which is within budgeted amount. The Engineer stated that only one bid was received and recommended the bid be awarded to Cowin Equipment. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Crowe, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that Bid #22 Chip Spreader be awarded to Cowin Equipment in the amount of \$258,604.00.

The next item was to discuss recommendation for vacant Shop Foreman Position. The Engineer recommended that William Newton be promoted into this position due to the retirement of Bryan Beard effective at the beginning of the next pay period. On a motion by Commissioner Crowe, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of the Engineer for William Newton to be promoted to the Shop Foreman position due to the retirement of Bryan Beard is approved effective at the beginning of the next pay period.

The next item was to discuss recommendation for vacant Operator 1 Position. The Engineer recommended that Jamie Hannah be promoted into this position effective at the beginning of the next pay period. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Crowe, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of the Engineer for Jamie Hannah to be promoted into the Operator I position is approved effective at the beginning of the next pay period.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The first item of the Administrator's report was to discuss the approval of an invoice from Kelley Group in the amount of \$8,346.72 for Canoe Creek Marina and General fund budget amendment in that amount. This also includes an increase in pricing. On a motion by Commissioner Crowe, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the approval of an invoice from Kelley Group in the amount of \$8,346.72 for Canoe Creek Marina is approved. Further, that the General Fund budget be amended in this amount.

The next item was to discuss approval of invoice in the amount of \$12,500.00 to BD Welch Construction for roof repair to Administrative building and budget

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amendment to Fund 112. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the approval of an invoice in the amount of \$12,500.00 from BD Welch Construction for roof repair to the Administrative building is approved. Further, that fund 112 budget be amended in this amount.

The next item was an informational item. A Retirement Luncheon will be held Thursday, January 26, 2017 beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Law Enforcement Training Facility for Austin Nash.

The next item was an informational item. The ACCA District Meeting is Thursday, Jan 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Heardmont Senior Center in Birmingham, AL (Shelby County)

The next item was an informational item. There will be an organizational meeting of the St. Clair County Bicentennial Committee at on Monday, February 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the large courtroom (upstairs) at the Pell City Courthouse.

The next item to discuss was the travel requests. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the travel requests that were presented are approved. (List to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #1)

The Commission presented Austin Nash Resolution 2017-14 honoring his retirement and thanked him for his hard work, dedication and his service with the County. They said the Resolution was actually passed in the January 10, 2017 Commission Meeting. Mr. Nash wasn't able to attend the meeting of January 10 to receive the Resolution at that time.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

The first item of New Business was to discuss the request of Harold Hoyle for approval of Temperature and HVAC monitoring and alarming system Upgrade Package at Operations Center to Southern Control Systems in the amount of \$14,482.00. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Crowe, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Harold Hoyle for approval of Temperature and HVAC monitoring and alarming system Upgrade Package at Operations Center to Southern Control Systems in the amount of \$14,482.00 is approved.

The next item was to discuss the request of City of Ashville to use pumps at the County Shop for fuel purchases for City vehicles. On a motion by Commissioner Crowe, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of the City of Ashville to use pumps at County Shop for fuel purchases for City vehicles is approved.

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The next item was to discuss Resolution 2017-18 and Participation Agreement renewing participation in the Association of County Commissions of Alabama Liability Self-Insurance Fund for an additional 3 year term beginning January 1, 2018 and concluding December 31, 2020. On a motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that Resolution 2017-18 and Participation Agreement renewing participation in the Association of County Commissions of Alabama Liability Self-Insurance Fund for an additional 3 year term beginning January 1, 2018 and concluding December 31, 2020 is approved. (Resolution and Agreement to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment # 2 & 2A)

The next item was to discuss the request of Property Manager Harold Hoyle that Linda Culberson be hired into the full-time Housekeeping position due to the retirement of Donna Womack. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Crowe, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of Property Manager Harold Hoyle that Linda Culberson be hired into the full-time Housekeeping position due to the retirement of Donna Womack is approved.

The next item was to discuss request of Administrator Laura Lawley that Jennifer Forman be hired into the Contract Advanced Clerk position. The County Attorney James Hill spoke of the contract. Mr. Hill stated that the County has various different employment options in our handbook and within St. Clair County. This particular contract states that Ms. Forman will be hired into one of our clerk positions in the County Commission office. It's a one year term and she will be given full time benefits of a full time employee including but not limited to the ability to participate in the State retirement. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Crowe, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Administrator Laura Lawley that Jennifer Forman be hired into the Contract Advanced Clerk position is approved. (Contract to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #3)

There were no board appointments.

The next item for discussion was to approve payment of the monthly bills. On a motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the monthly bills be approved for payment with the exception of those that are questioned by the Commission before the close of business today.

Before the meeting was adjourned Bart Redden with Long Term Care Insurance discussed various long term care options for County Employees.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, subject to call, at approximately 10:02 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Crowe, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye.

Paul Manning, Chairman

Jeff Brown, Commissioner

Ken Crowe, Commissioner

Tommy Bowers, Commissioner

Jimmy Roberts, Commissioner