

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
May 19, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 19th day of May, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:07 am. Commissioner Joey Statum led the Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS: None.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM: Karen Bates, County Clerk, called the roll to establish a quorum. The following 5 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 1 – Joey Statum

District 4 – Jeff Overstreet

District 3 – Larry Payne

District 5 – Carolyn Parker

District 6 – Tim Choate

Absent: Lewis Fuller – District 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: Commissioner Payne presented a Proclamation to Jacksonville State University President, Dr. William A. Meehan, who is retiring on July 1, 2015 after 16 years as President and over 40 years as a part of the University. Commissioner Payne thanked him for all he has done to help with economic growth in Etowah County and all he has done for the University and the community. President Meehan said that Etowah County had over 60,000 alumni, the largest group outside of Calhoun County, and he thanked everyone for their support. A copy of the Proclamation has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 14.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members present voting “yes”, the following resolution was passed and adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following items on the Consent Agenda were approved as presented:

- A. The Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the Etowah County Commission dated April 28, 2015 and of the Regular Meeting of the Etowah County Commission dated May 5th, 2015, be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for May 19th, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Choate, with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

To place the name of Brittany Hamilton in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 19, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the INS Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

To place the name of Tasha Romano in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 19, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the INS Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, seconded by Commissioner Parker with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

To place the name of Luis Guzman in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Sergeant of Corrections at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 19, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the INS Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.49.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

The Resolution to apply, on behalf of West Etowah County Alabama Water Authority, to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs for FY2015 Community Development Block Grant County Fund assistance to conduct water system improvements and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 17.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Choate, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

The request of Lee Taylor, Chief of Administrations – Sheriff Department, to make the following line item transfers:

Decrease: Travel – Lodging & Meals (001.52100.264)	\$2250
Office Supplies (001.52200.211)	\$1684
Cleaning & Janitorial Supplies (001.52200.216)	\$4138
Increase: Communications – Cellular Service (001.52100.255)	\$2250
Repairs & Maintenance-Other (001.52200.242)	\$1684
Office Equipment & Furniture (001.52200.541)	\$4138

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for Miscellaneous Tax Forms – Revenue Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Statum, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

The request of Lana Payne, Rural Transportation Director, to make the following line item transfers:

Decrease: Fuel (271.56210.212)	\$500
Increase: Other Miscellaneous Supplies (271.56210.219)	\$500

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Deputy Administrator/CFO: No Report.
County Engineer: No Report.
County Attorney: No Report.
Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Statum congratulated Dr. Meehan and said he appreciated what all he has done and what he will continue to do. He said his wife graduated from JSU and has a niece there now. He wished everyone a safe holiday and God Bless.

Commissioner Choate thanked Dr. Meehan for his service and said he had been great for JSU and the surrounding counties, including Etowah. He also mentioned the coming weekend being Memorial Weekend and asked everyone to remember the veterans and the people serving now and say a special prayer.

Commissioner Parker congratulated Dr. Meehan on his service and upcoming retirement. He thanked him for working with the Chambers of Commerce in Calhoun and Etowah Counties. She asked everyone to have a safe Memorial Holiday weekend.

Commissioner Overstreet thanked Dr. Meehan and said he had 2 daughters that had graduated from JSU and he was grateful to the University and what it means to his family. He asked everyone to pray for our military, and all of the men and women that had sacrificed their lives for us to do what we are doing. He asked everyone to stay safe and remember the reason for the holiday.

Commissioner Payne said that sums it up and thanked Commissioner Overstreet. He said for everyone to put their Flag out and put a light on it if you leave it out at night. He asked everyone to have a nice weekend and to remember the reason for the holiday. He also thanked Dr. Meehan for coming and said he had the ability to talk to anyone.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

ABSENT

Lewis H. Fuller, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6