

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
June 20, 2017**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 20th Day of June, 2017. Commissioner Choate called the meeting to order at 10:05 am and Commissioner Overstreet 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 6 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 1 – Joey Statum
District 2 – Johnny Grant
District 3 – Larry V. Payne

District 4 – Jeff Overstreet
District 5 – Carolyn Parker
District 6 – Tim Choate

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

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. That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated June 6th, 2017, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for June 20th, 2017.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Visa Credit Card Purchases Report for April, 2017 – June, 2017, has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 79.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Grant, 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 Lease Agreement for the Ruby Falls Billboard and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of the Ruby Falls Agreement with R & R Outdoor Advertising has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 80.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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:

The “Extension Agreement to the Contract for Provision of Animal Control Services” between Etowah County Commission and the City of Southside and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. This Agreement will extend the Animal Control Services on a month to month basis until the Animal Shelter currently being constructed by the City of Rainbow City and Southside (Alabama) is completed. A copy of this Extension has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 81.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 “Agreement for Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP) Project”, regarding bridge replacement on Coats Bend Circle (Project #ACBRZ61377-ATRP (016); ECP# 28-077-01; ATRIP# 28-05-28); Also, to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 82.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

The request of Harry Butler, Chairman of the Board of Registrars, to hire Cathy Ledbetter as a Temporary Board of Registrar Clerk (due to a Registrar Clerk being out on medical leave), effective June 15, 2017. This position will be for up to 6 weeks at 40 hours per week to be charged to the General Fund, Board of Registrar's Office, at an hourly rate of \$10.34.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

The request of Marion Dodd, Maintenance Director, to promote John Abernathy to Maintenance Tech effective June 26, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Maintenance Department, at an hourly rate of \$14.26. This Maintenance Tech position replaces a Building Service Worker position that was vacant and is assigned to the Detention Center.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting "yes", the following item was adopted:

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

The request of Connie Arnold, Chief License Inspector, to promote Jessica Nelson to Deputy License Inspector, effective July 10, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, License Inspector, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

The request of Tim Graves, County Engineer, to transfer Samuel Woodward to Equipment Operator, effective June 26, 2017. This is a voluntary demotion to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$13.57.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

The Agreement between the participating Etowah County Commissioners for funding support from their Discretionary Fund Accounts for the Gadsden-Etowah Patriots Association for the Fourth of July Fireworks. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 83.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

To authorize an Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session. Roll Call Vote - District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 -yes; District 6 – yes. This was approved by the majority and Jim Turnbach (County Attorney) certified that this was an authorized reason to have an Executive Session. The Commissioners dismissed for an Executive Session at 10:12 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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

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

To reconvene from Executive Session at 10:42 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer: No Report.

County Engineer: No Report.

County Attorney: No Report.

Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS: None.

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 10:45 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, President, Commissioner, District 6