

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
July 11, 2017**

PUBLIC HEARING - 10:00 am in the Etowah County Commission Chamber –

A Public Hearing was held by Dianne Glenn from East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Committee to discuss the Etowah County Commission's current Community Development Block Grant Program WECA Water System Improvement Project, CDBG Project No. CY- CM – PF-15-008. Since at least 51% of the grant funds must be used to benefit low and moderate income persons and it has to be used in the community where the grant was used. They will be able to add radio meters to 49 houses with the leftover funds. Commissioner Overstreet said they would make sure they used all the funds they were able to use and what is left will be sent back so others can benefit from the program. The project is ahead of schedule.

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 11th Day of July, 2017. Commissioner Choate called the meeting to order at 10:07 am and Commissioner 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 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 20th, 2017, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.

B. The Proposed Agenda for July 11th, 2017.

C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for June, 2017 – has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 84.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Payne, 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:

Increase: Capital Outlay – Motor Vehicles (001.52100-551) \$4,453

Increase: Donations (Revenue Account) (001.47700-000) \$4,453

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for Lawn Maintenance – County Buildings.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

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 request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for Rodent, Pest, Bird & Termite Services – County Buildings.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to extend Bid No. FY 2014-2015-23 HOT PLANT MIX PAVING MATERIALS FOB PLANT for an additional year with the current vendor, Jim's Asphalt, as provided for in the original bid. This extension will expire July 6, 2018.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Courtney Freeman to Revenue Collection Clerk, effective July 11, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue Department, at an hourly rate of \$11.41.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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 Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Lynne Humphries as a Revenue Tag & Title Clerk, effective July 11, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue Department, at an hourly rate of \$10.87.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 request of Bobby Junkins, Probate Judge, to hire Marynes Fernandez as a Part-time Probate Clerk, effective July 12, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Probate Office, at an hourly rate of \$10.86.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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 Spencer Gray, Facility Maintenance Manager, to hire Cheryl Gibbs as a Building Service Worker, effective July 12, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Maintenance Department, at an hourly rate of \$9.84.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following items were combined and approved in one motion:

- a. To place the name of Jessica Murray in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Sergeant, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 12, 2017. This is a temporary promotion while an employee is out for a medical issue and will be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.91.
- b. To place the name of Matthew Crane in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Sergeant, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 12, 2017. This is a promotion to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.91.
- c. To place the name of Alec Alverson in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- d. To place the name of Tony Jackson in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- e. To place the name of Lauren Tawbush in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.

- f. To place the name of Brittany Colvard in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- g. To place the name of Remington Stephens in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- h. To place the name of Jordan Latham in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- i. To place the name of Robert Tolbert in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- j. To place the name of Tyler Wiemann in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entrekin, effective July 24, 2017. This is a new hire to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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:

To have the First Reading for the ABC Board Application for License Type 050-Retail Beer (Off Premise Only) and 070-Retail Table Wine (Off Premise Only), for applicant DOLGENCORP LLC (Larry Gatta & James Thorpe), under the trade name Dollar General Store 18278, located at 11286 US Hwy 278 W, Attalla, AL 35954.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 have the First Reading for the ABC Board Application for License Type 050-Retail Beer (Off Premise Only) and 070-Retail Table Wine (Off Premise Only), for applicant YOUSEF YAQOUB INC (Sameer Yousef Mousa), under the trade name Express Mart 38, located at 1220 Appalachian Road, Gadsden, AL 35901.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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:

To approve the request of Bobby Junkins, Judge of Probate, to adopt the Etowah County Polling Precincts, **see Attachment A (which has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 85)**, for the Upcoming 2017 Special US Senate Election: August 15, 2017 - Special Primary Election; September 26, 2017 - Special Run-Off Election; and December 12, 2017- Special General Election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 Marion Dodd, Maintenance Director, to accept bids for the 'Screening System for Sanitary Sewer' at the Etowah County Jail in Gadsden, Alabama.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies (formerly New World) for server migration service and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 86.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

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

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Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 Todd Entrekin, Etowah County Sheriff, to submit the 2018 Domestic Violence Grant Application to ADECA. This grant is a continuation of the Domestic Violence Grant we have had for several years.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 transfer of the Excess Funds from Sales of Property Taxes for 2014 to the County General Fund entitled ‘Unredeemed Excess Land Sales Fund’ to be in compliance with **Alabama Code 1975 §40-10-28** and the **Etowah County Commission Resolution Regarding Excess Sales from Sales of Property Taxes #05-02-2017-01**. A copy of the Excess Land Sales for FY 2014 has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 87.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 Resolution Authorizing Third Party Agreements for Rural Transportation, which include CED Mental Health Center, Love’s Taxi Service, Mountainview Hospital and Access 2 Care. A copy of these Agreements and the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 88.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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 Resolution authorizing the 5% match for the van purchase through Community Development Block Grant Program Community Enhancement Funds for CED Mental Health. Dianne Glenn explained this will allow the CED Mental Health to purchase 2 vans (one for Etowah County and one for Cherokee County) with each County providing ½ of the 10% match. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 89.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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:

To authorize an Executive Session to discuss Economic Development 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 all Commissioners 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 10:20 am. A copy of the ‘Opinion on Applicability of Executive Session’ from Jim Turnbach has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 90.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 10:50 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF JULY, 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 Grant, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 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