

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
January 2nd, 2018**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 2nd Day of January, 2018. Commissioner Choate called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and then passed the gavel over to Commissioner Overstreet, the 2018 Commission President. Commissioner Statum led the Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS: Judge Junkins said the election was certified with no complaints filed in Etowah County.

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 and quorum was present:

District 1 – Joey Statum
District 2 – Johnny Grant

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

Absent: Larry Payne – District 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: Commissioner Overstreet presented a Proclamation and a Plaque to Commissioner Choate to recognize the accomplishments of the Commission in 2017 with Commissioner Choate as the President. Commissioner Choate thanked everyone and said he could not have accomplished all he did without the help of the CAO, CFO, Staff, and other Commissioners. He said he was glad they are getting the land across the road for temporary inmate housing, which will allow the repairs to be made at the jail.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Choate, 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:

CONSENT AGENDA: All items designated as “Consent” are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will be permitted unless a Commissioner so requests. If so, such item(s) will revert to New Business

- A. That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated December 19th, 2017, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for January 2nd, 2018.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To place the name of Joseph Ragan in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of School Resource Officer, at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entekin, effective January 2, 2018. This is a transfer, to be paid by the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$14.26.
- E. To place the name of Anthony Davis in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Deputy Specialist (FTO), at the request of Etowah County Sheriff Todd Entekin, effective January 2, 2018. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36.
- F. To approve the request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award **Bid No. FY 2017-2018-03 Finished Traffic Signs** to Traffic Signs, Inc.
- G. To approve the request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award **Bid No. FY 2017-2018-04 Metal and Side Drain Pipe** to Fallin Farms dba Harvey Culvert.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.

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:

To approve the request of Spencer Gray, Maintenance Supervisor, to hire LuReesa Holis, Temporary Building Service Worker, effective January 2, 2018. This is a temporary position to be paid from the Maintenance, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$9.85.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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:

To hire David Akins as CAO effective January 1, 2018, subject to the finalization of his employment contract.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.

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:

Commissioner Statum congratulated Tim Choate on his year as Commission President and said he looked forward to working with Commissioner Overstreet. He also congratulated David Akins on getting CAO and thanked him for all he has done while working as the Interim CAO.

Commissioner Grant thanked Commissioner Choate for the guidance he has given him over the last year since he was new to the Commission.

Commissioner Parker thanked Commissioner Choate for his service and said there was a lot 'behind the scenes' that has to be taken care of by the President. She also thanked David and said she was glad to see the county was moving forward.

Commissioner Choate said he was glad to have David on board and would be glad to help Commissioner Overstreet out any way he could.

Commissioner Overstreet thanked everyone for being at the meeting and Commissioner Choate for his year of service. He said he looked forward to working with David.

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 10:15 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

ABSENT

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, President, Commissioner, District 6