

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
January 15th, 2019**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 15th Day of January, 2019. Commissioner Statum opened the meeting at 10:02 am and Commissioner Grant led in the Prayer and the 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 and quorum was present:

District 1 – Joey Statum	District 4 – Tim Ramsey
District 2 – Johnny Grant	District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 3 – Larry V. Payne	District 6 – Craig Inzer, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Etowah County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, January 21st, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Advanced Disposal will have open top containers at four locations between 7:00 am and 12:00 noon for residential cleanup of household trash on **Saturday, February 2nd, 2019**. They do not accept tires, batteries, appliances, or hazardous waste.

Locations of containers: Leeth Gap and Sardis Road – across from old County Shop
Intersection of Hwy 278 & Hwy 132
Whorton Bend Volunteer Fire Dept
Gaston High School – Hwy 411 North

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Payne, 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 January 8th, 2019, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for January 15th, 2019.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To place the name of Biltoria Gaston in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Deputy, effective January 9, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid by the Jail Fund at an hourly rate of 11.99.
- E. To place the name of Rodney Couch in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Sergeant, effective January 10, 2019. This is a promotion to be paid by the Jail Fund at an hourly rate of 16.13.
- F. To place the name of Kevin Mark Bullock in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Assistant Chief of Detention effective January 14, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Department, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$19.66.
- G. To place the name of Keith Peek in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Chief of Detention (unclassified) effective January 14, 2019. This is a promotion to be paid from the General Fund, Jail and ICE Fund at an hourly rate of \$40.00.
- H. To place the name of Mitchell Hill in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Chief Deputy (unclassified) effective January 14, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Sheriff’s Office at an hourly rate of \$30.59.
- I. To place the name of Darron Walker in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Chief Investigator (unclassified) effective January 14, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Sheriff’s Office at an hourly rate of \$30.59.
- J. To place the name of Michael Powell in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Public Information Officer (unclassified) effective January 14, 2019. This is a promotion to be paid from the Sheriff’s Discretionary Funds.
- K. To approve the request of Scott Hassell, Judge of Probate, to promote Stephanie Downey to Chief Clerk (unclassified), Probate, effective January 14, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Probate Judge, General Fund, at an annual salary of \$60,541.

- L. To approve the request from Lee Taylor, Sheriff's Office Chief of Administrations, to declare the following vehicles as surplus:

2018 Chevrolet Silverado Black VIN# 3GCUKSEC0JG223839
2018 Chevrolet Silverado White VIN# 3GCUKSEC1JG221582
1985 Chevrolet Dually White VIN# 1GCGD34J0FF436280

- M. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to extend Bid No FY 2016-2017-07 Office Supplies with the current vendor, Observer Supply Company, Inc., for an additional year as provided for in the original bid.
- N. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No FY 2018-2019-02 Finished Traffic Signs to Traffic Signs, Inc., the only bidder. This recommendation was reviewed by the County Engineer.
- O. To appoint Deborah Gaither, Gadsden/Etowah EMA Director, as the Homeland Security (ALEA) Primary Point of Contact.
- P. To approve an agreement with Cavanaugh MacDonald Consulting, LLC, for the GASB OPEB Interim Year Valuation for a cost of \$2500. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 029.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, 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 have the Final Reading and Approval to appoint Gary Williamson to the Northeast Alabama Water, Sewer, and Fire Protection District Board of Directors for a four-year term. This is to replace Simeon Morton whose term expired January 10, 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Washington, 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 have the First Reading to appoint Juarus Rawls to the Etowah County Communications Board to complete the term of La Gray. This term expires on August 31, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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 authorize an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation after a roll call vote with the majority approved the session. District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes. This Executive Session was certified by the County Attorney, Jim Turnbach, as meeting the requirements and in addition to the County Attorney and all Commissioners, Kevin Dollar (Deputy Administrator/CFO), David Akins (CA), Sheriff Jonathan Horton and Chief of Detention, Keith Peek, was present in the meeting. The Commissioners went into session at 10:10 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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:

To reconvene from Executive Session at 11:00 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

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 Washington, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Tim Ramsey, President, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6