

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
January 6th, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 6th Day of January, 2015. Commissioner Carolyn Parker called the meeting to order at 10:03 am. Scott Hassell, Chief of Corrections, 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 2 – Kenney Tidmore
District 3 – Larry Payne

District 5 – Carolyn Parker
District 6 – Tim Choate

District 4 – Jeff Overstreet

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

Commissioner Parker passed the gavel over to Commissioner Payne, who will serve as the Commission President for 2015. Commissioner Payne read a Proclamation to honor Carolyn Parker on her year as Commission President and presented her with the Proclamation and a plaque. Commissioner Parker thanked everyone for all of their help and for supporting her projects.

Commissioner Overstreet was absent due to his daughter being in the hospital.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Tidmore, 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 item on the Consent Agenda was approved as presented:

- A. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Etowah County Commission dated December 16th, 2014, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for January 6th, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 approve the request from Traci Pondick, RSVP Director, to approve the ‘Resolution Adopting a Title VI Plan’, which reinstates that RSVP supports Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Civil Right Restoration Act of 1987. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 84.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tidmore, 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 accept a request to vacate an unnamed road off Gallant Road as described in the Resolution. The State Law requirements have been met in consideration of this request. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 85.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 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:

To place the name of Jason Argo in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Captain at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective January 6, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff's Department, General Fund, at an annual rate of \$31,642.24.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

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 Wiley Quarles in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Sergeant at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective January 6, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff's Department, General Fund, at an annual rate of \$22,394.11.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 Spencer Gray, Facility Maintenance Supervisor, to hire Bobby Miller as a Building Service Worker, effective January 19, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid from the Maintenance Department, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$8.84.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tidmore, 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 items were combined and approved:

- a. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-01 'One or More Used Police Vehicles – Sheriff's Office' to Missouri State Patrol, the only bidder. This bid is for a 2011 Crown Victoria with 54,500 miles for \$14,950.
- b. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for Liquid Paving & Resurfacing. The current vendor does not wish to extend the bid.
- c. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-06 'Finished Traffic Signs' to Traffic Signs, Inc. the lowest bidder.
- d. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-07 'Metal and Side Drain Pipe' to Harvey Culvert Co. Inc., the only bidder.
- e. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-08 'One or More used Police Package Sport Utility Vehicle – Sheriff's Office' to Missouri State Highway Patrol, the only bidder. This bid is for a 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe with 69,000 miles for \$17,800.
- f. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-10 'One or More Used K9 Equipment SUV – Sheriff's Office' to Missouri State Highway Patrol, the only bidder. This bid is for a 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe with 69,000 miles for \$19,400.
- g. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchase Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-11 'One or More Used Police Vehicles – Sheriff's Office' to Missouri State Highway Patrol, the only bidder. This bid is for a 2011 Chevrolet Impala with 55,000 miles for \$13,150 and a 2012 Chevrolet Impala with 55,000 miles for \$14,250.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Tidmore, 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 resignation of Commissioner Carolyn Parker from the Gadsden-Etowah County Emergency Management Agency Executive Committee and to approve the appointment of Commissioner Larry Payne. (The Gadsden-Etowah EMA Agency appointee is the Commission President).

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

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 appoint Carolyn Parker to the vacant post on the Gadsden-Etowah County Emergency Management Agency Executive Committee. This is an at-large appointment.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 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 Tim Graves, County Engineer, to approve the agreement with ALDOT for Project STPOA-2813 (252); ECP 28-78-13 to resurface Bruton Gap Road from SR-7 to Duck Springs, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

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 authorize an Executive Session to discuss potential pending litigation after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session. The roll call vote went as follows: District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – absent; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes. The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 10:15 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Tidmore, 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 the Executive Session at 10:30 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer: Commended Commissioner Parker on a job well done and said he had enjoyed working for her for the last year. He is looking forward to working with Commissioner Payne in 2015.

County Engineer: No Report.

County Attorney: No Report.

Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Statum congratulated Commissioner Payne and thanked Commissioner Parker for what she has done over the last year. He said he had done that job and he appreciated her year of service. He recognized Councilman McClain from Attalla and said he looked forward to the next year.

Commissioner Choate thanked Carolyn Parker and said he was looking forward to working with Commissioner Payne.

Commissioner Tidmore said he was looking forward to working with Commissioner Payne and enjoyed working with Commissioner Parker.

Commissioner Parker said she wished Commissioner Payne good luck and hoped he accomplished his goals and she also thanked Patrick Simms and the other Commissioners for working with her over the last year.

Commissioner Payne asked everyone to keep Jeff Overstreet and his family in their prayers as he and his daughter were both having health issues. He thanked Lisa Savage with the Gadsden Times for doing such a great job of covering the Commission and on the positive coverage we receive from her. He said he planned to make things happen for the County and planned to work for unity with the municipalities and other agencies in

the county. He said we have a lot of positive things that we need to continue and make better. He wants to see the county grow.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Tidmore, seconded by Commissioner Statum, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

ABSENT

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Kenney Tidmore, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, President, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6