

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
February 3, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 3rd Day of February, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:07 am. Commissioner Jeff 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 4 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 3 – Larry Payne
District 4 – Jeff Overstreet

District 5 – Carolyn Parker
District 6 – Tim Choate

Absent: Joey Statum – District 1
Kenney Tidmore – District 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Advanced Disposal will have open top containers at four locations between 7:00 am and 12:00 pm for residential clean up of household trash on Saturday, February 7, 2015.

Locations of containers:

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

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

Commissioner Payne asked Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO to read the agenda.

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 items on the Consent Agenda were approved as presented:

- A. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Etowah County Commission dated January 20th, 2015, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for February 3rd, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

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:

The adoption of the Resolution ‘Etowah County Property Tax Levy’, which includes adoption of the millage rates for Etowah County for the tax year beginning October 1, 2014, as proposed by Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Etowah Revenue Commissioner, as follows, and the supporting Resolution as attached:

Location	Millage Rate
Altoona	47.0
Attalla	47.0
Boaz	45.5
Gadsden	49.0
Glencoe	41.0
Hokes Bluff	41.0

Rainbow City	41.0
Reece City	41.0
Ridgeville	41.0
Sardis City	41.0
Southside	41.0
Walnut Grove	46.0
County	36.0

This Resolution also includes the following: “Pursuant to Act 2014-433, the general and special ad valorem tax levies, rates, and purposes established at the first regular meeting in February 2015 shall remain in place in all subsequent tax years until and unless altered by the Etowah County Commission pursuant to a change in tax rate by general law.” A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 89.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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 items were combined and approved in one motion:

- a. To place the name of Timothy Bolton in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Corrections Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective February 3, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an annual rate of \$22,394.07.
- b. To place the name of Mike Powell in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Field Training Officer at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective February 3, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff’s Department, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$28,666.31.
- c.. To place the name of Barry Smith in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Field Training Officer at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective February 3, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff’s Department, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$29,382.96.
- d. To place the name of Victor Payne in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Field Training Officer at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective February 3, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff’s Department, General Fund, at an annual rate of \$27,967.13.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

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 Patrick Simms, CAO, to hire Belinda Childress as Chief License Inspector, effective March 2, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid from the General Fund, License Inspector Department at an annual rate of \$32,000.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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 Final Reading and Approval to reappoint Leon Young to the Highland Water Authority Board. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

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:

To have the Final Reading and Approval to appoint Tommy Morgan to the Highland Water Authority Board. This will be to replace Jim Clouse who does not wish to be reappointed. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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 have the First Reading to appoint James Gann to the Whorton Bend Water Authority. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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:

To have the First Reading to appoint Gary Whorton to the Whorton Bend Water Authority. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

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:

To have the First Reading to appoint Tim Crow to complete the term of Alvin Goolsby on the Etowah County Communications District Board. This term will expire on August 31, 2017.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, 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 First Reading to reappoint Roger Kimbril to the West Etowah County Water Authority for a six year term. This term will expire on March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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:

To authorize Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood to let bids for the Industrial Park Road in Little Canoe Creek Industrial Park.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 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:

The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for Inmate Uniforms.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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 Resolution and Order to engage Stifel as underwriter for the potential 2015 General Obligation Warrants, and to hereby engage and retain Bradley, Arant to serve as Bond Counsel for the 2015 General Obligation Warrants and to authorize the President of the Commission and the Chief Administrative Officer to execute any and all necessary documents and agreements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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:

To approve the request of Lana Payne, Rural Transportation Director, to make the following line item transfers:

Increase:	Tires & Tubes (271.56210.215)	\$2500
	Miscellaneous Sup (271.56210.219)	500
	Repair & Maint – motor vehicles (271.56210.234)	2000
	Contract Services (271.56211.185)	750
Decrease:	Miscellaneous (271.56210.499)	\$4000
	Fuel (271.56210.212)	1000
	Office Supplies (271.56211.211)	750

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, 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:

The Agreement between ALDOT and Etowah County concerning the bridge replacement on Wesson Gap Road and to authorize the Chairman of the Commission to execute all documents. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 90.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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:

To have the First Reading to reappoint Lamar Rosson to the Big Wills Water Authority. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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:

To have the First Reading to reappoint Mona Causey to the Big Wills Water Authority. This will be for a six year term through March 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

- Deputy Administrator/CFO:** No Report.
- County Engineer:** No Report.
- County Attorney:** No Report.
- Other:** No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Overstreet said he was glad to be back. He had minor knee surgery which turned out to be a little more than he thought. He asked everyone to keep Commissioner Tidmore in their prayers.

Commissioner Parker also asked everyone to keep Commissioner Tidmore in their prayers and also his family. She said she has a student from Job Corp (President of their SGA), shadowing her for the morning and she introduced her.

Commissioner Choate said he was glad to have the young lady with us and glad to see everyone at the meeting. He was glad to see Commissioner Overstreet back and asked that everyone keep Commissioner Tidmore in their prayers.

Commissioner Payne asked if anyone wanted to serve on the Mountain Lakes Tourism Board to get in touch with him. They have their meetings on Tuesday mornings. He also asked that everyone keep prayers going for Kenney Tidmore.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

ABSENT

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

ABSENT

Kenney Tidmore, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6