

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

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 3rd Day of March, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Commissioner Tim Choate 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 – Vacant*
District 3 – Larry Payne

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

*Commissioner Kenney Tidmore passed away on February 21, 2015. A request was sent to Governor Bentley on February 27th, 2015, requesting him to appoint a replacement to complete the term.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: Alabama Extension made a formal presentation to the Alabama 4-H Club Foundation on their designation as one of the first Alabama 4-H Centennial Youth Initiative Counties. Commissioner Payne presented a Proclamation to the 4-H Club Foundation thanking them for all that they do. There are over 4,000 youth in the program in schools and community clubs and many adult volunteers. This is a partnership between the Federal, State, and Local Governments and they work to improve life for everyone. Amy Burgess is the coordinator through the extension program with Michael Dillon being over Etowah County and Miranda Watson over Cherokee County.

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

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. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Etowah County Commission dated February 17th, 2015, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for March 3rd, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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:

The request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Morgan Barkley to Revenue Clerk Assessing, effective March 3rd, 2015. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue, at an hourly rate of \$10.50.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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 approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Tara Lindsey, Revenue Clerk Tags and Titles, effective March 3rd, 2015. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue, at an hourly rate of \$9.28.

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

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

- a. To Place the name of Nathaniel Brandmire in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective March 4, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the General Fund, Jail Department, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.
- b. To place the name of Bradley McGuire in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective March 4, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.
- c. To place the name of Ronald Guffey in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective March 4, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.
- d. To place the name of Shawn Tinsley in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective March 4, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.

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

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-15 Unfinished Traffic Signs and Posts to Traffic Signs, Inc., the apparent low bidder.

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

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, 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 Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-12 Liquid Paving and Resurfacing to Charles E. Watts, Inc., the only bidder.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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 vehicles for the Revenue Commission for a 2014 Crossover FWD Vehicle and for two 2015 small SUVs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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 request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-14 Full Service Elevator Maintenance – 3 Year contract to Bagby Elevator. The bids were reviewed by Marion Dodd, Maintenance Director, and in looking at the overall bid and amendments/stipulations, his recommendation was to go with Bagby Elevator. The details of his evaluation have been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 94.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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 Lana Payne, Rural Transportation Director, to accept the grant agreement between the Etowah County Commission and East Alabama Regional Planning for the service at Lookout Mountain Senior Center and to authorize the President of the Commission to execute the documents. A copy of this agreement had been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 95.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 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:

The Final Reading and Approval for the application to the ABC Board for License Type 160 (Special Retail More than 30 Days) to the applicant Little Bridge Marina LLC., for The Lake Room at Little Bridge Marina LLC, located at 30 Whorton Bend Road (mailing address 70 Whorton Bend Road), Rainbow City, AL 35906. This is a new application.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, when asked if there was any discussion, Commissioner Choate asked to make sure the contract pertained to Alabama Law and the 'hold harmless' statements were removed as recommended by the County Attorney; With the understanding these changes were made and 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 contract with Kalleo Technologies, LLC., for computer maintenance services for the Etowah County Sheriff's Department and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the contract has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 93.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, 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 resignation of Commissioner Larry Payne from the North Alabama Mountain Lakes Tourist Association Board of Directors and to have the First Reading to appoint Lisa Turner to finish his term, which expires on September 30, 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum 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 that, in the absence of the CAO, Kevin Dollar as the Deputy Administrator/CFO, is authorized to sign any documents deemed necessary on behalf of the Etowah County Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Deputy Administrator/CFO: Kevin Dollar conveyed his condolences to Commissioner Kenney Tidmore's family and said he would be missed.

County Engineer: No Report.

County Attorney: No Report.

Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Statum asked everyone to remember Kenney's family in prayer. He congratulated the 4H girls and guys and thanked the staff and parents for all they do. He thanked Amy Burgess for keeping them updated. He said the 4-H program does pay off as these kids grow into adults. He hopes they continue to invest back into the 4-H program. He thanked everyone for coming and said he wished we had that big of a crowd every week.

Commissioner Choate said this was the first time since 2005 we have had a vacant seat. The Governor will appoint a replacement but Kenney's personality cannot be replaced. Tim also said his nephew was in 4-H and

he was proud of all of them. He said they were stepping up at a young age and wished them much success in the future.

Commissioner Parker echoed the sentiments regarding Commissioner Tidmore. She said he was more than a Commissioner, he was also a friend. She asked everyone to keep his family in their prayers. She said the first proclamation she presented was to Sarah on her Chick Chain success (4-H Program). She said Sarah was growing up now and going to the prom. She thanked Amy for all she does and said she (as well as some of the other Commissioners) was also in the 4-H when she was young and maybe one of the students in the program could be in their seats one day.

Commissioner Overstreet said it was difficult to convey more than what had already been said regarding Kenney. He said he talked to Kenney a few weeks before he passed and they discussed making sure his house was in order and things are right with God. Jeff said they had been friends with Kenney's wife for many years and asked everyone to pray for Kenney's family.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Vacant Seat

Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6