

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
March 17th, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 17th Day of March, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:12 am. Commissioner Joey Statum 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 1 – Joey Statum  
District 2 – Vacant  
District 3 – Larry Payne

District 4 – Jeff Overstreet  
District 5 – Carolyn Parker

Absent: District 6 – Tim Choate

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There will not be a work session on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, due to ACCA County Day in Montgomery.

**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 Parker, 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 March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for March 17th, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for February, 2015 has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 96.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2015.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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 Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Angela Bruce to Collections Clerk, effective March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue, at an hourly rate of \$9.75.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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:

To approve the request of Tim Graves, Engineering Department, to hire John Bowlin II, Road Supervisor, effective March 18th, 2015. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue, at an annual rate of \$70,000.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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 place the name of Phillip Vondergriff in The Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015. This is a replacement to be paid by the Jail ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2015.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 request from Cassie Harp, Personnel Director, to change the Benefits Coordinator Position in the Personnel Department to unclassified, as approved by the Personnel Board, and to approve the annual rate of pay at \$35,800.29, effective March 18, 2015. A copy of the letter with this request has been filed in Attachment Book 6, Page 97.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2015.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was agreed to be tabled:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following item was **tabled**:

The request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to change the starting grade for the Tags/Titles Clerks from Grade 9 to Grade 10 due to increased job responsibilities, as approved by the Personnel Board. This will increase entry level pay to \$9.75 per hour and to approve transferring the Tags/ Titles Clerks that are currently Grade 9 to Grade 10. This change will be effective October 1, 2015.

**All Commissioners voted to table this item.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, 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 Lana Payne, Rural Transportation Director, to make the following line item transfers in the Rural Transportation Operating Fund:

Increase:	Contract Services (271-56210.185)	\$1800
Decrease:	Fuel (271-56210.212)	\$1800

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 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 make the following line items transfers in the Gas Tax Fund:

Increase:	Utilities – Propane Gas (111.53100-247)	\$580
	Advertising - (111.53100-253)	\$460
Decrease:	Fund Balance (111.35900.00)	\$1040

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> 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 extend Bid No. FY 2012-2013-04 Micro Surfacing to Vance Brother, as provided for in the original bid.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> 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:

The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for food trays for the jail.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 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 adopt the County Levies for Alcoholic Beverages for 2015-2016, and to authorize the Etowah County Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Levies has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 1.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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 Marion Dodd, Maintenance Director, for a travel allowance in the amount of \$300 for expenses related to the Alabama School Plant Management Association Spring Seminar scheduled for the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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 Final Reading and Approval to appoint Lisa Turner to the North Alabama Mountain Lakes Tourist Association Board of Directors. This will be to complete the unfinished term of Commissioner Larry Payne and will expire on September 30, 2016.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 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 Cooperative Agreement Regarding Phase Ii Storm Water NPDES Permitting with the City of Gadsden and to authorize the President of the Etowah County Commission to execute the document. A copy of the document has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 2.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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 permit request from ALDOT for access to Hwy 11 for the Little Canoe Creek Industrial Development Roadway and to authorize the Etowah County Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the permit request has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 3.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th 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 Todd Entrekin, Sheriff, to recognize the salaries paid with discretionary funds as part of the total compensation package for normal work performs for the Sheriff's Command Staff for retirement purposes.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 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:** None.

**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 10:25 am.

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Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

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Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

**Vacant Seat**

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Commissioner, District 2

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Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

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Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

**ABSENT**

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Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6