

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
May 5, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 5th day of May, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:15 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 5 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 2 – Lewis Fuller
District 3 – Larry Payne

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

Absent: Joey Statum – District 1

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, May 9, 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.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, 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 April 21st, 2015, be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for May 5th, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for April 2015 has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 12.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, 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 Grace Darlene Whitlock to Tags and Titles Clerk effective May 18, 2015. This is a voluntary demotion to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue Department, at \$10.50 per hour.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, 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 Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Casey Reeves to Mapper III effective May 5, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund at \$14.13 per hour.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, seconded by Commissioner Fuller with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was tabled **as requested by Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner:**

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

The request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Dale Maxine Jones to Appraiser II effective May 5, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund at \$12.18 per hour.

ITEM WAS TABLED ON THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, 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 Dianne Williams to Appraiser II effective May 5, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund at \$12.49 per hour.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, 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 Rhonda Hill in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 6, 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 Brandon Hallmark in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 6, 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 Rodney Couch in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Sergeant of Corrections at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May t, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the General Fund, Jail Department, at an hourly rate of \$13.45.
- d. To place the name of Derek Jordan in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 6, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.
- e. To place the name of Matthew Stokes in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 6, 2015. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.77.
- f. To place the name of Jennifer Barnes in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Sergeant of Corrections at the request of Etowah County Sheriff, Todd Entrekin, effective May 5, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid by the General Fund, Jail Department, at an hourly rate of \$12.49.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, 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 Agreement with ALDOT concerning the financing of Project STPNU-2814 (251), ECP 28-103-12 for the reconstruction and resurfacing of Rocky Ford Road between Reeves Road and the county lines, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the documents. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 13.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, 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 declare the following as surplus property:

2005 Dodge Caravan VIN# 1D4GP24R55B101631
2006 Chevy Malibu VIN# 1G1ZS61886F170551

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, 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 agreement with Goodwyn, Mills, and Cawood, Inc., concerning the Renovations to the Existing Etowah County Administration Building – Proposal No. AE-15-07 and to authorize the President of the Commission to execute the document. This proposal involves changes in the Tag and Collection waiting and Clerk areas and demolition and replacement of existing windows in the former County Health Building. A copy of this agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 11.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, 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 with Condrey & Associates for a classification and compensation plan analysis, including the benefits survey and the staffing analysis, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, 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:

A discussion was made on the contract of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) with Commissioner Tim Choate reading the portion that pertained to the termination of the CAO’s contract. A motion was made by Commissioner Carolyn Parker that the Etowah County Commission terminate the employment contract of Patrick Simms and to pay to him the compensation due to him under the terms of the contract. This was seconded by Commissioner Fuller and approved by all Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 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 Fuller said the Theatre of Gadsden would be presenting ‘Smoke on the Mountain’ and everyone should come out. It’s the 3rd time it has been produced and is a good play.

There were no comments from Commissioners Jeff Overstreet, Carolyn Parker, or Tim N. Choate.

Commissioner Payne commented on some of the paving being done in the county.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, seconded by Commissioner Fuller, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

ABSENT

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Lewis H. Fuller, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6