

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
June 2nd, 2015**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2015. Commissioner Larry Payne called the meeting to order at 10:10 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 6 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 1 – Joey Statum  
District 2 – Lewis Fuller  
District 3 – Larry Payne

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Upon motion of Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 May 19th, 2015, be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for June 2nd, 2015.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for In Place Asphalt.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2014-2015-21 Food Service Supplies – Jail to Osborn Brothers, Inc., the cheapest bid on the bulk of the purchases.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to reject Bid No. FY 2014-2015-20 Lawn Maintenance – County Bldgs – 1 year contract and to rebid the contract. There was only one bidder that was substantially higher than our current rate.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 Resolution to authorize the agreement for Transportation Planning Process for the Gadsden Urbanized Area and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 15.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 Digital Information Cooperative Agreement (Mapping) with ALDOT for the digital ortho-photography and mapping update project for Etowah County and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 16.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 from Tim Graves, County Engineer, to transfer William Shelton to Heavy Equipment Operator effective June 3, 2015. This is a promotion to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund at \$10.77 per hour.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 2015.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was **tabled**:

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

The request from Lana Payne, Rural Transportation Director, to hire Sherri Peppers as a Temporary Van Driver effective June 2, 2015. This is a temporary position to be paid from the Rural Transportation Fund at \$8.84 per hour.

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

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 Resolution to authorize the President of the Etowah County Commission to enter into a contract and agreement for the purchase of property.

There was discussion from Commissioner Choate to insure this item was able to be on the agenda because the details were not discussed in the work session but the purchasing of property in general had been discussed in previous work sessions. The County Attorney confirmed the requirements had been met to allow this item to be on the agenda.

The Resolution that was attached to the agenda with the details of the purchase is below and a signed copy is filed in Attachment Book 7, Page 14:

**STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION**

**AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AND AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Etowah County Commission is in the acquisition phase of property suitable for the development of a county owned Industrial Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Etowah County Commission had previously purchased approximately 850 acres for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Etowah County Commission wishes to purchase four-tenths of an acre for the expansion of the acquired area of the proposed industrial park.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZES THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 761, TO PURCHASE THE REFERENCED PROPERTY AT A PRICE OF \$1500.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 to name Kevin Dollar as the Acting Chief Administrative Officer until the position is filled.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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:

To authorize an Executive Session after a roll call vote to discuss the job performance and the general reputation and character of an employee. The County Attorney, Jim Turnbach, confirmed the Executive Session was in compliance with the open meeting law. The roll call vote - District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 – yes and District 6 – yes. The Commission went into Executive Session at 10:30 am

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 reconvene from Executive Session at 11:05 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE, 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 Statum said he appreciated everyone and what they do. Commissioners Fuller, Choate, and Payne did not have any comment. Commissioner Parker thanked Ms. Elsey for coming and Commissioner Overstreet thanked everyone for coming.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Choate, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 am.

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Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

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Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

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Lewis H. Fuller, Commissioner, District 2

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Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

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Larry V. Payne, President, Commissioner, District 3

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Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6