

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
April 17th, 2018**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 17th Day of April, 2018. Commissioner Overstreet called the meeting to order at 10:02 am and Commissioner Parker led in 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 and quorum was present:

District 1 – Joey Statum
District 2 – Johnny Grant
District 3 – Larry Payne

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Advanced Disposal will have open top containers at four locations between 7:00 am and 12:00 pm for residential cleanup of household trash on **Saturday, May 5th, 2018**. They do not accept tires, batteries, appliances or hazardous waste.

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:

A Proclamation was presented recognizing April as ***National Community College Month*** by Commissioner Overstreet. This was presented to Dr. Lavender and a group of representatives from ***Gadsden State Community College***. Commissioner Overstreet graduated from GSCC and his daughters also attended programs at the school, as well as Commissioner Payne and many others in the Chamber today. Dr. Lavender thanked the Commission for recognizing GSCC and said they were very dedicated to this area. They look at each individual student and help them with their needs. They also work with the local school systems to help their students in K-12 and the adults in our area that are already out of school. A copy of this Proclamation has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 74.

A Resolution was presented to Misty with the ***Family Success Center*** by Commissioner Payne to recognize April as ***Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month***. The believe children should be raised in a healthy environment. Deanna Thacker and Ms. Jackson were not able to attend today. Etowah County ranks high on child abuse cases with 250 – 275 reported over the year. They talk to children at the schools to make them understand abuse and people they can go to for help. They are putting Blue Ribbons around town and the pinwheels. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 73.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, 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:

CONSENT AGENDA: All items designated as “Consent” are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will be permitted unless a Commissioner so requests. If so, such item(s) will revert to New Business:

- A. That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated April 3rd, 2018, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for April 17th, 2018.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers from March, 2018 and Visa Credit Card Purchases from Feb 2, 2018 through March 24, 2018, has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 71.
- D. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to award the contract for Project # ACBRZ61278-ATRP(013), ATRIP 28-05-29 to The Bridge Builders of Alabama, LLC of Pelham, AL, the low bidder, as recommended by the Alabama Department of Transportation. Also, to pay the required warrant and to authorize the Commission President to execute all documents. This is for the bridge replacement on Murphree Valley Road over Locust Fork. A copy of the paperwork has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 72.
- E. To adopt the Resolution and Order authorizing the President of the Commission and/or the CAO to sign the bond purchase agreement between Etowah County and Stifel with respect to the sale and delivery by the County of the Series 2018 Warrants. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 75.
- F. To approve the extension on the Humane Society Pet Rescue and Adoption Center Agreement as agreed to in the original contract and to authorize the CAO to execute the agreement. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 76.
- G. To approve the CrisisGo Application License Agreement between CrisisGo and the Etowah County Commission and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 77.

- H. To approve the Contract for Services Rendered between the Etowah County Commission and Next Move Group, LLC to find qualified candidates to serve as Economic Development Director and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 78.
- I. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to declare the following vehicle as surplus:

2009 d F-150 Pickup Truck (Animal Control) Vin# 1FTRF14W69KB89488
- J. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to promote William Salers to Maintenance Supervisor - Unclassified effective April 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$21.07.
- K. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire James Barron as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This position replaces a Heavy Equipment Operator I and is to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.
- L. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Brad Berry as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This position replaces a Heavy Equipment Operator I and is to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.
- M. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Clinton Vernon as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.
- N. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Joseph Scott Rowland as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.
- O. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Thomas Anthony Butler as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.
- P. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Kevin Ellis as Equipment Operator effective April 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.41.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

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 of David Akins, CAO, to hire Kelley Ireland as a Temporary and Part-time Kennel Technician, effective April 12th, 2018. This is a Temporary and Part-time Position to be charged to the Animal Control/Shelter Fund with an hourly pay rate of \$10.87.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 Harry Butler, Board of Registrars, to hire Glenda Jackson as Temporary Voter Registrar effective April 30, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Board of Registrars, at an hourly rate of \$10.34. This is a temporary position with a maximum of 314 hours. A copy of this request has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 79.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

Upon motion of Commissioner Choate, 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 the Etowah County Commission and Grace Heritage Foundation concerning funding from Commissioner Choate's Discretionary Fund (District 6) with a one-time donation for improvements and repairs at the historic Sixth Street Cemetery. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 80.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

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

To authorize two separate Executive Sessions with the (1) first one to discuss Courthouse Security and the (b) second one to discuss Economic Development, after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session.

District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes. The Commissioners, CAO, CFO, and County Attorney went into Executive Session at 10:10 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Grant, 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 the Executive Session.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2018.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer: 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 Payne, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, President, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6