# **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING** OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION **ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA** April 16, 2024

Commissioner Tim Ramsey, called the Commission Meeting to order on the 16th Day of April, 2024 at 9:00 am and Shane Ellison, CAO, asked the Prayer and led the Pledge to the Flag.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM: The following 5 out of 6 Commission members were at the meeting and accordingly a quorum was present:

District 2 – Johnny Grant District 3 – Jamie Grant

District 4 – Tim Ramsey District 5 – Jeffery Washington District 6 – Craig Inzer, Jr.

Absent: Joey Statum – District 1

## PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

## AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Arrow 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 4, 2024. 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

Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Washington, 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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:15 am.

### PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Washington, 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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 10:00 am.

## PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

### **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, 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(s) dated March 12, 2024, and April 2, 2024, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for April 16, 2024.
- C. Any Reported Financial Transactions. The Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for March, 2024, are filed in Attachment Book 14, Page 33.
- D. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to promote Addison Martin to Mapping Clerk, effective April 17, 2024. This is a replacement to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, at an hourly rate of \$14.26.

E. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to promote Michelle Turner Fuller to Chief Appraiser (Unclassified), effective April 17, 2024. This is a replacement to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, at an hourly rate of \$31.25.

# PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Upon the motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Washington, with all other member voting 'yes', the following resolution was adopted:

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

To have the Final Reading and Approval for ABC License Application Type 011– Lounge Retail Liquor- Class II (Package) for applicant **M AND K BEER CAVE LLC (Danya Yuritzi Puebla Rodriguez)**, under the trade name, **M AND K BEER CAVE**, located at 9271 HWY 179, Boaz, AL 35956. This business is located in unincorporated Etowah County and is a transfer.

# PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

Upon the motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Johnny Grant, with all other member 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 Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following Budget Amendments related to the General Fund:

<u>Increase</u> : Expenditures Personnel	
Misc Supplies (001.51962-219)	\$922
Data Processing Insurance – General Liability (001.51965-274) Subscriptions (001.51965-409)	\$3,415 \$1,631
Legal & Contingency Unemployment Insurance (001.51990-126) Contract Services (001.51990-185) Misc Supplies (001.51990-219)	\$25 \$17,478 \$2,170
Warehouse – CC/S.O. Building Insurance (001.51991-271)	\$1,590
Jail Annex Building Insurance (001.51994-271)	\$370
Detention Center Building Insurance (001.51997-271)	\$3,620
McCurley Building Building Insurance (001.51999-271)	\$23
Sheriff's Office Insurance – General Liability (001.52100-274) Insurance – Other (001.52100-279) Miscellaneous (001.52100-499)	\$984 \$18 \$363

Jail

Motor Vehicles (001.52200-551)	\$6,647
Coroner's Office	
Insurance – General Liability (001.52400-274)	\$326
Subscriptions (001.52400-409)	\$2,710
Equipment <threshold (001.52400-471)<="" td=""><td>\$1,189</td></threshold>	\$1,189
Animal Control/Animal Shelter	
Repairs & Maintenance – Motor Vehicles (001.55400.234)	\$5,000
Community Centers	
Repairs & Maintenance -Bldgs, Land & Imp (001.57901-231)	\$1,242
Building Insurance (001.57901.271)	\$213

Decrease: Expenditures Courthouse - Building Insurance (001.51996-271)	\$1,306
Increase: Revenue	
Other Revenue (001.40000.47900-000)	\$72,000
Bond Forfeitures – State of AL (001.40000.47907-000)	\$20,039
Sale of Capital Assets (001.61210-000)	\$159,250
<b>Operating Transfer In</b> – Gas Tax Fund (001.61000-111)	\$81,100
<u>Increase:</u> Fund Balance (001.35900)	\$283,559

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Upon the motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Johnny Grant, with all other member 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 Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following Budget Amendment related to the Gasoline Tax Fund:

Increase: Operating Transfer Out – General Fund (111.62000-001)	\$81,100
Expenditures Equipment <threshold (111.53100-471)<br="">Motor Vehicles (111.53100-551)</threshold>	\$11,657 <u>\$41,703</u> <b>\$134,460</b>
<u>Decrease:</u> Fund Balance (111.35900)	\$134,460

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Upon the motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Johnny Grant, with all other member voting 'yes', the following resolution was adopted:

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

To authorize a purchase order to Vulcan Construction Materials, at an estimated cost of \$151,686.80, for resurfacing of the Courthouse Parking Lot, with \$100,000 in Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds covering the majority of the cost.

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Upon the motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Inzer, with all other member voting 'yes', the following resolution was adopted:

# BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION: That the following item was approved:

To declare the following as serving a public purpose and eligible to receive public funds:

- a. Carver Wildcats Academy
- b. Neighborhood Bridges

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Upon the motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other member 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 and Quitclaim Deed between the State of Alabama and the Etowah County Commission for the transfer of a portion of the "Old" US-Highway 411, which is being replaced with the new US-411 location by Project No. RAEDAA-0025(556), and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy is filed in Attachment Book 14, Page 33a.

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Upon the motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Washington, with all other member voting 'yes', the following resolution was adopted:

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

To approve an agreement with Praeses for a month-to-month extension on the agreement that expired on April 20, 2023, and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement is filed in Attachment Book 14, page 33b.

# PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

## **REPORTS FROM THE STAFF**

Chief Administrative Officer County Engineer County Attorney Other

## DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Johnny Grant thanked everyone for being there.

Commissioner Jamie Grant also thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Commissioner Washington thanked everyone for coming and also offered a special thanks to the non-profits that were visiting earlier in the meeting. They help out in the neighborhoods and he appreciates what they do.

Commissioner Inzer said all Commissioners were invited to the mayors meeting for May and announced the time and place. He also thanked all the non-profits for all they do and for coordinating with each other as much as possible, so their responsibilities will not overlap. He said the important thing is for the kids to receive an education.

Commissioner Ramsey thanked the Family Success Center representatives for all they do. He said they do a lot of fundraising and discussed the upcoming 'Derby' fundraiser that was coming up. He talked about Dr. Ballew getting a grant that gives back and the Mental Health Legislation, which has made it through the Committee. If the new state law passes, it will allow the problems to be addressed more efficiently and will benefit the families and the people. He said he appreciated everyone coming to the meeting.

**<u>ADJOURN</u>:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Jeffery Washington, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am.

### ABSENT

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Tim Ramsey, President, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

Jamie W. Grant, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6