

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
May 7, 2024**

Commissioner Tim Ramsey, called the Commission Meeting to order on the 7th Day of May, 2024 at 9:00 am and Commissioner Jamie Grant 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:

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| District 1 – Joey Statum  | District 4 – Tim Ramsey       |
| District 2 – Johnny Grant |                               |
| District 3 – Jamie Grant  | District 6 – Craig Inzer, Jr. |

Absent: Jeffery Washington – District 5

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:** James Collins complained to the Commissioners about issues he has with flooding on his property. He also complained about pot holes on the road. Commissioner Ramsey told him when the County Engineer got back, they would look at it again and see if they can fix the potholes.

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

Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Joey 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:

To recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:15 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Joey 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:

To call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:32 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Upon motion of Commissioner Joey Statum, seconded by Commissioner Johnny 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 April 16, 2024, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for May 7, 2024.
- C. Any Reported Financial Transactions. The Cash Disbursements, Online Transfers, and credit card purchases, for April, 2024, are filed in Attachment Book 14, Page 35.
- D. To place the following names in the Sheriff’s Office job slots of Detention Deputy, **effective April 29, 2024.** These are replacements to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36:
  1. Tiffany Teague
  2. Ravyn Turner
  3. Demetrius Little
- E. To place the following names in the Sheriff’s Office job slots of Detention Deputy, **effective May 13, 2024.** These are replacements to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36:

1. Stone Morgan

2. Mark Robertson

F. To place the following names in the Sheriff's Office job slots of Deputy Sheriff, **effective April 27, 2024**. These are promotions, due to graduating from the Police Academy, to be paid from the Sheriff's Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$17.37:

1. Brandon Hare
2. Kolby Walker
3. Cody Manuel

G. To place the name of Deston Pace in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Deputy Sheriff, **effective April 29, 2024**. This is a replacement to be paid from the Sheriff Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$17.37.

H. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to promote Leonta Dillon to Real Property Appraiser I, effective May 7, 2024. This is a promotion and a replacement to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.95.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Upon the motion of Commissioner Joey Statum, 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 have the First Reading to appoint Dena Cook to the Etowah County Department of Human Resources Board for a six-year term. She will be replacing Wayne East, who tendered his resignation from the Board.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

Upon the motion of Commissioner Inzer 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 for the General Fund, effective May 7, 2024:

**Increase:**

**Data Processing**

Repairs & Maintenance – Data Processing (001.51965-235) \$2,017

**Judicial Building**

Insurance – Buildings (001.51998-271) \$3,734

**County Board of Education**

Insurance – Buildings (001.58100-271) \$764

**Decrease:**

**Day Reporting Center**

Utilities – Electricity (001.51992-244) \$2,625

Utilities – Water (001.51992-246) \$330

Internet Service (001.51992-258) \$2,800

Insurance – Buildings (001.51992-271) \$760

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

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 declare the following Reappraisal Vehicles as surplus:

- 2015 Ford Escape, VIN# 1FMCUOF78FUB36041
- 2017 Ford Escape, VIN# 1FMCUOF71HUB68137
- 2015 Ford Escape, VIN# 1FMCUOF7XFUB36042

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

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

- a. New Centurions (New Life for Women)

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

Upon the motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Joey Statum, 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 a Resolution for Etowah County to Serve as Lead Applicant in the Joint Application for the FY2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Funding Opportunity, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 14, Page 36.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

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 a Chert Pit Agreement with Barry Gargus and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement is filed in Attachment Book 14, Page 37.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

Upon the motion of Commissioner Joey Statum, 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 an Executive Session to discuss safety and security after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session. Jim Turnbach, County Attorney, has certified this session as meeting the requirements. Those attending the session include: Commissioners, Jim Turnbach, Shane Ellison, and Kevin Dollar. District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 6 – yes.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

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 reconvene from Executive Session.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY, 2024.**

**REPORTS FROM THE STAFF**

**Chief Administrative Officer**  
**County Engineer**  
**County Attorney**  
**Other**

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Statum thanked everyone for coming.

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

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Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

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Tim Ramsey, President, Commissioner, District 4

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Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

**ABSENT**

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Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

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Jamie W. Grant, Commissioner, District 3

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Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6