

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
January 3, 2017**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 3rd Day of January, 2017. Commissioner Grant called the meeting to order and then handed it over to Commissioner Tim Choate as the 2017 Commission President. Michael Barton led the Prayer and Commissioner Grant led the 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 – Johnny Grant
District 3- Larry V. Payne

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

Absent: Joey Statum – District 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Choate, 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. That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated December 20th, 2016, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for January 3rd, 2017.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 First Reading to appoint Shane Ellison to the Etowah County Communications District Board to complete the unexpired term of Richard Crouch; this term expires on August 18, 2018.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, 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 Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award **Bid No. FY 2016-2017-05 Mortuary Refrigerator** to Douglas Equipment.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 award **Bid No. FY 2016-2017-06 Aluminum Stretcher / Cot** to Penn Care, Inc.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, 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 Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award **Bid No. FY 2016-2017-06A Hydraulic Stretcher/ Cot** to Penn Care, Inc.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, 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 Contract with JMR + H Architect for a building assessment of the Etowah County Detention Center, pending review and approval of Jim Turnbach, County Attorney; Also to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this contract has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 39.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, 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 Spencer Gray, Facility Maintenance Manager, to hire Cheryl Gibbs as Temporary Building Service Worker, effective January 3, 2017. This will be to fill in for an employee on medical leave and will be paid by the Maintenance Fund at an hourly rate of \$9.85.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Grant with all other members voting "yes", the following items were combined and 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 Gilbert Lucero in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Deputy Specialist, effective January 3, 2017. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff's Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36.
- b. To place the name of Will Farley in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Investigator, effective January 3, 2017. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff's Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.13.
- c. To place the name of Christopher Blake Perry in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Deputy Specialist K-9, effective January 3, 2017. This is a promotion to be paid by the Sheriff's Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36.
- d. To place the name of Tyler St Clair in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Part-time Reserve Deputy, effective January 3, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid by the Sheriff's Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.91.
- e. To place the name of Chad Dixon in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Corrections Officer, effective January 3, 2017. This is a voluntary demotion to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.
- f. To place the name of Jay Cushen in the Sheriff's Department job slot of Detention Deputy, effective January 3, 2017. This is a replacement to be paid by the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all other members voting "yes", the following item was approved:

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

The request for sick leave donations for an employee in the Sheriff's Department. This employee has met the eligibility requirements for the Sick Leave Donation Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Grant, with all other members voting "yes", the following item was approved:

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

The Agreement between Etowah County Animal Control and the City of Southside regarding the housing of animals on a temporary basis; Also, to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of the Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 38.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2017.

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:

Commissioner Payne welcomed everyone to another year and said we had a lot of challenges last year. He was looking forward to the next year with Commissioner Choate. He also said he appreciated Commissioner Grant coming in as President at the end of this year. He said the things that were discussed this morning were important to the future.

Commissioner Grant said he was honored to be able to serve on the Commission and he appreciated Commissioner Choate taking over as President.

Commissioner Overstreet congratulated Commissioner Choate on taking over as President for 2017 and thanked Commissioner Grant.

Commissioner Parker thanked Commissioner Grant and congratulated Commissioner Choate for serving as President for the 3rd time.

Commissioner Choate said he was excited about the upcoming year and he thanked the staff for all they do. He said he hoped to see a lot of progress in 2017.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 am.

ABSENT

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, President, Commissioner, District 2

Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6