

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
March 21, 2017**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 21st Day of March, 2017. Commissioner Choate called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and 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 5 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly a quorum was found to be present:

District 1 – Joey Statum  
District 2 – Johnny Grant

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

Absent: Larry V. Payne – District 3

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Upon motion of Commissioner Statum seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, 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 March 7th, 2017, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for March 21st, 2017.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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:

The First Reading to appoint Phyllis Minshew to the Tillison Bend Water Authority, with the term expiring on March 1, 2023.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, 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 reappoint Jahn Coppey to the Big Wills Water Authority, with the term expiring on March 1, 2023.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 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 First Reading to reappoint Randy Burns to the Big Wills Water Authority, with the term expiring on March 1, 2023.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, 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. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to extend Bid No. FY 2014-2015-15 Unfinished Traffic Signs and Posts for a one year period expiring March 2, 2018. This will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final extension for this bid.

b. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to award Bid No. FY 2016-2017-09 Printing-Letterhead, Envelopes and Forms to Patterson Printing.

c. The request of Debbie Parris, Purchasing Agent, to let bids for proposals from qualified engineering firms and inspection services required to implement a program under the State of Alabama's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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. The request of Tim Graves, County Engineer, to hire Randall Christopher Frost as a Road Supervisor, effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. This is a promotion and is an unclassified replacement. This will be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an annual rate of \$44,204.
- b. The request of Tim Graves, County Engineer, to hire Rodney McCoy as Equipment Operator, effective March 27, 2017. This will be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.42.
- c. The request of Tim Graves, County Engineer, to hire Terry Fugatt as Equipment Operator, effective March 27, 2017. This will be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.42.
- d. The request of Tim Graves, County Engineer, to hire William Allen Stokes as Equipment Operator, effective March 27, 2017. This will be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.42.
- e. The request of Tim Grave, County Engineer, to hire Jeffrey James as Equipment Operator, effective March 27, 2017. This will be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.42.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, 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 Resolution 03-21-2017 'Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of the Etowah-DeKalb-Cherokee Mental Health Board, Inc.' which formalizes 3 board member appointments for each City (Centre, Fort Payne, Attalla, and Gadsden) and each County (Etowah, DeKalb, and Cherokee). A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 59.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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:

To accept the 'Proposal for Preliminary Engineering for the Little Canoe Creek Industrial Site' with Goodwyn, Mills, and Cawood, Inc., and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this Proposal has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 60.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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:

To renew the Contract with Praeses after the terms have been reviewed by the County Attorney and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Contract has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 61.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Overstreet, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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:

To authorize Sick Leave Donation for an employee in the Revenue Department. This employee (Morgan Barkley in the Revenue Department) has met the eligibility requirements for the Sick Leave Donation Program.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, 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:

An Agreement with the Etowah County Commission for funding support from each Commissioner's Discretionary Fund Account:

a. CED Mental Health Center - \$2000 Total with each Commissioner funding 1/6<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 62.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 items were combined and approved in one motion:

a. To approve the following line item transfer requests:

**County Commission, Courthouse Security**

Increase:	Communications – Cellular Service (001.51100-255)	\$1585
	Insurance – Motor Vehicles (001.51100-272)	\$136
	Communications – Cellular Service (001.51110-255)	\$480
Decrease:	Other Misc Supplies (001.51100-219)	\$146
	Insurance – Buildings (001.51100-271)	\$517
	Insurance – Surety Bonds (001.51100-273)	\$438
	Equipment<Threshold (001.51100-471)	\$600
	Postage (001.51100-252)	\$500

Motion	_____
Second	_____
Discussion	_____
All in Favor	_____
All Opposed	_____

b. To approve the following line item transfers for the Sheriff's Office:

<b>Sheriff's Office</b> (001.52100)	Increase	Decrease
271 Insurance – Buildings	275	
273 Insurance – Surety Bonds	22	
279 Insurance – Other	93	
407 Vehicle License Plates	100	
471 Equipment<Threshold	35,973	
203 Uniforms, Clothing & Footwear		10,973
272 Insurance – Motor Vehicles		490
549 Other Equipment		25,000

**Jail** (001.52200)

272 Insurance – Motor Vehicles	766	
215 Tires & Tubes	229	
551 Motor Vehicles	7,877	
234 Repairs & Maint-Motor Vehicles		1,052
271 Insurance – Bldgs		766
471 Equipment<Threshold		6,554
499 Miscellaneous		500

**ICE** (195.52210)

242 Repairs & Main – Other	1,227	
271 Insurance – Buildings	67	
219 Other Miscellaneous Supplies		600
471 Equipment<Threshold		694

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 Amendment to the Advertising Space Lease Agreement dated January 5, 2016 regarding the Rural Transportation Buses and Glen Williams Agency, and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Amendment has been filed in Attachment Book 8, Page 63.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MARCH, 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:** None.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Overstreet, 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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Jeff Overstreet, Commissioner, District 4

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Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

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Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

**ABSENT**

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Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

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Tim N. Choate, President, Commissioner, District 6