

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY
July 1, 2025**

Commissioner Joey Statum called the Commission Meeting to order on the 1ST Day of July, 2025 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 1 – Joey Statum
District 2 – Johnny Grant
District 3 – Jamie Grant

District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 6 – Craig Inzer Jr

Absent – Tim Ramsey, District 4.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Johnny 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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:05 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Johnny 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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:23 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF JULY, 2025.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other members present voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA:

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 June 17, 2025 and the Special Called Meeting dated June 24, 2025, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The proposed Agenda for July 1, 2025.
- C. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let a new bid for Two 2025 Full-Size Chevrolet Z-71 Tahoe’s, 4WD, 4Dr (Or comparable) – Sheriff’s Office.
- D. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to promote Tommy Winn to Mechanic, effective July 7, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$20.65.
- E. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Amy Black as a Tag and Title Clerk, effective July 1, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the Revenue General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.
- F. To approve to request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Briley Gray as a Tag and Title Clerk, effective July 8, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the Revenue General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.
- G. To place the name of James Dean Woods in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Deputy SRO, effective July 7, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$17.37.

H. To approve the request of Gracie Griggs, Animal Shelter Manager, to hire Morganna Lee as a Kennel Tech, effective July 7, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Animal Control/Animal Shelter, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF JULY, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other members present 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 to appoint Tena King to the Etowah County Communication District Board of Directors. Ms. King will fulfill the term of Wayne Keener, and the term will expire on August 31, 2028.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other members present voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

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

To authorize an appropriation in the amount of \$92,978.49 to the Ballplay Bend Volunteer Fire Department for the construction of a 40’ storm shelter.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Johnny Grant, with all other members present 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 declare the following item as surplus:
A copy of this document is in Attachment Book 15, page 15-045.

- Navigator Display Module for Chiller Asset # 10056

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Johnny 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 approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments for various paving projects and retainage on completed paving projects. A copy of this document is in Attachment Book 15, page 15-046.

County Rebuild Alabama Fund

Increase:

220.53100-185 Contract Services	\$610,360
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Decrease:

220.35900 Fund Balance	\$610,360
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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Johnny Grant, with all other members present 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 Retainage – Courthouse Parking Lot. A copy of the document is in Attachment Book 15, page 15-047.

Public Building, Road and Bridge Fund

Increase:

112.51996.531 Improvements other than Buildings	\$ 7,776
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Decrease:

112.35900 Fund Balance	\$ 7,776
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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Washington, with all other members present 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 Sheriff’s Office Emergency Services Unit Liability Policy, effective June 30, 2025. A copy of this document is in Attachment Book 15, page 15-048.

Opioid Settlement Fund

Increase:	
031.52100.274 Insurance – General Liability	\$ 16,536
Decrease:	
031.35900 Fund Balance	\$ 16,536

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2025.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF

Chief Administrative Officer
County Engineer
County Attorney
Other

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Johnny Grant wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July. He wanted to thank the Commission for approving the appropriation for the Ballplay Bend Volunteer Fire Department.
Commissioner Washington thanked everyone for coming today.
Commissioner Statum also wished everyone a Happy 4th of July.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion from Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, with all other members present voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 am.

<hr/> Joey Statum, President, Commissioner, District 1	Absent <hr/> Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4
<hr/> Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2	<hr/> Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5
<hr/> Jamie Grant, Commissioner, District 3	<hr/> Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6