

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY  
September 2, 2025**

Commission President Joey Statum called the Commission Meeting to order on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2025 at 9:00 am and Scott Hassell, Judge of Probate, 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 4 – Tim Ramsey

District 3 – Jamie Grant

District 5 – Jeffery Washington

District 6 – Craig Inzer Jr

Absent – Johnny Grant, District 2

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

**AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:02 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025**

Upon a motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:21 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, 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 August 26, 2025 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The proposed Agenda for September 2, 2025.
- C. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to hire George Westmoreland as Equipment Operator, effective September 8, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.74.
- D. To place the following names in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 8, 2025. These are replacements to be paid from the Jail General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36
  - Tailor Minton                      • Matthew Bearden
  - Jon Helms                          • Logan Simmons
  - Johnathan Finch                • Erykah Watson
  - Chyna White                      • Benjamin Mason
- E. To approve the request of Gracie Griggs, Animal Shelter Manager, to hire Tyler Kircus as Animal Control Officer, effective September 3, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Animal Control / Animal Shelter, at an hourly rate of \$15.36

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 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 approve the Resolution Encouraging the Alabama Legislature to Oppose Any Legislative Changes That Would Disrupt the SSUT Program’s Operation Or Call the Program’s Constitutionality into Question. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-072

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, 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 Robert Nail, County Engineer, to declare the following equipment as surplus:

- Mower Cap Boom     Equipment # 21156     Asset ID # 8252

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Inzer, 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 First Reading to reappoint Pam Clough to the Etowah County Department of Human Resources Board of Directors. This will be for a six-year term.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

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

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

To have the First Reading to reappoint Ruth Moffatt to the Etowah County Department of Human Resources Board of Directors. This will be for a six-year term.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

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

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

To have the First Reading to appoint Heather Hopper to the Highland Water Authority Board of Directors. Ms. Hopper will complete the term of Gary Pruitt, who resigned August 26 2025. The term will expire on 3/1/2029.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER.**

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

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

To approve the request of Jonathon Horton, Sheriff, to grant Josh Kirkendoll, Detention Deputy, to receive PTO leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

Upon a motion of Commissioner Washington, 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:**

To approve the three-year contract with Integrated Communication Solutions (ICS) for Telephone Services and for the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-073.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

Upon a motion of Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 Animal Shelter. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-074

<b>Animal Control/Animal Shelter</b>	
Increase	
001.55400-116 Overtime Pay	\$ 4,535
001.55400-122 Health Insurance	\$ 1,022
001.55400-171 Membership Dues and Fees	\$ 235
001.55400-183 Garbage Service	\$ 350
001.55400-185 Contract Services	\$37,100
001.55400-206 Drugs and Medical Supplies	\$ 5,600
001.55400-211 Office Supplies	\$ 183
001.55400-216 Cleaning and Janitorial Supplies	\$ 833
001.55400-218 Food Supplies	\$ 5,239
001.55400-219 Miscellaneous Supplies	\$ 1,973
001.55400-231 Repairs & Maintenance, Buildings, Land, & Improvements	\$ 5,766
001.55400-234 Repairs and Maintenance – Motor Vehicles	\$ 7,577
001.55400-242 Repairs and Maintenance – Other	\$ 7,041
001.55400-264 Travel- Lodging and Meals	\$ 282
001.55400-265 Travel – Training and Registration Fees	\$ 1,430
001.55400-471 Equipment < Threshold	\$ 2,145
Decrease	
001.55400-113 Salaries and Wages	\$ 3,570
001.55400-141 Dental Insurance	\$ 226
001.55400-187 Medical Services – Animal Control	\$ 3,500
001.55400-246 Utilities – Water	\$ 1,200
001.55400-271 Insurance – Buildings	\$ 168
001.55400-272 Insurance – Motor Vehicles	\$ 135
001.55400-274 Insurance – General Liability	\$ 219
001.55400-279 Insurance – Other	\$ 50
<b>Revenue</b>	
Increase	
001.40000-41111-001 Ad Valorem Taxes – Real Property	\$72,243

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Upon a motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, 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. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-075

<b>Mobile Crisis Assistance Team</b>	
Decrease	
001.55210-185 Contract Services	\$ 10,416
<b>Services for the Indigent</b>	
Increase	
001.56300.177 Burial of Indigent	\$ 2,250
001.56300-253 Advertising	\$ 782
001.56300-499 Miscellaneous	\$ 309
<b>Emergency Management Services</b>	
Increase	
001.52300-182 Professional Services	\$ 5,600
001.52300.242 Repairs and Maintenance – Other	\$ 7,563
<b>Industrial Development</b>	
Increase	
001.51956-154 Legal Services	\$ 12,499
001.51956-171 Membership Dues and Fees	\$ 100
001.51956-182 Professional Fees	\$429,975
001.51956-253 Advertising	\$ 4,757
001.51956-571 Infrastructure – Streets and Roads	\$ 10,090
001.51956-579 Infrastructure – Other Capital Assets	\$ 34,536
<b>Revenue</b>	
Increase	

001.40000.41111-001 Ad Valorem Taxes – Real Property	\$ 6,088
<b>Fund Balance</b>	
Decrease	
001.35900 Fund Balance	\$491,957

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Upon a motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 amendment for Rural Transportation. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-076.

<b>ural Transportation Fund</b>	
Expenditures	
Operating	
Increase	
271.56210-215 Tires and Tubes	\$ 350
271.56210-272 Insurance – Motor Vehicles	\$ 3,134
271.56210-551 Motor Vehicles	\$177,874
Decrease	
271.56210-113 Salaries and Wages	\$ 12,290
271.56210-116 Overtime Pay	\$ 1,188
271.56210-121 Retirement	\$ 1,450
271.56210-122 Health Insurance	\$ 21,452
271.56210-124 Social Security/Medicare Taxes	\$ 1,580
271.56210-141 Dental Insurance	\$ 580
271.56210-161 Wrecker/Towing Service	\$ 250
271.56210-212 Fuel and Lubricants	\$ 10,500
271.56210-219 Miscellaneous Supplies	\$ 4,540
271.56210-234 Repairs and Maintenance – Motor Vehicles	\$ 15,000
271.56211-203 Uniforms, Clothing and Footwear	\$ 500
271.56211-211 Office Supplies	\$ 865
271.56211-244 Utilities – Electricity	\$ 700
271.56211-251 Telephone	\$ 260
271.56211-252 Postage	\$ 190
271.56211-253 Advertising	\$ 410
271.56211-264 Travel – Lodging and Meals	\$ 325
271.56211-274 Insurance – General Liability	\$ 748
<b>Revenue</b>	
Increase	
271.40000.44740-860 Assistance to Aging Grant	\$108,530

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.**

**REPORTS FROM THE STAFF**

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

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:**

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion from Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Inzer, with all other members present voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.

<hr/> Joey Statum, President, Commissioner, District 1	<hr/> Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4
<hr/> <b>Absent</b> Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2	<hr/> Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

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Jamie Grant, Commissioner, District 3

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Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6