

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY
December 16, 2025**

Commissioner Johnny Grant called the Commission Meeting to order on the 16th Day of December, 2025 at 9:00 am and Commissioner Tim Ramsey, asked the Prayer and led the Pledge to the Flag.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM: The following 5 out of 5 Commission members were at the meeting and accordingly a quorum was present:

District 1 – Vacant	District 4 – Tim Ramsey
District 2 – Johnny Grant	District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 3 – Jamie Grant	District 6 – Craig Inzer Jr.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Glen Williams made a presentation on the Rural Transportation advertisements.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, with all others 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 9:14 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025.

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

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

To call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:28 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 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 December 2, 2025 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The proposed Agenda for December 16, 2025.
- C. The reported financial transactions for November 2025, including Credit Card Purchases, Cash Disbursements, Online Transfers, and Wire Transfers. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-118.
- D. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2026-02 – 2025 Ford Expedition Active 4X2 202a, to Ronnie Watkins Ford, the lowest, responsible bidder.
- E. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2026-01 – Aggregate, on the recommendation of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to Wiregrass Construction Company, the sole bidder.
- F. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2026-02 – 2025 Ford Expedition XL 4X4 – Alternate to Buster Miles Ford, the lowest responsible bidder.
- G. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to hire William Roberts as Equipment Operator, effective January 5, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.54.
- H. To place the name of Diamond Leigh Vaughn in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Dispatcher, effective December 15, 2025. This is a new position to be paid from the General Fund – Sheriff’s Office, at an hourly rate of \$14.98. Costs for this position will be reimbursed by the City of Gadsden as stated in City of Gadsden Resolution No. R-589-25

- I. To place the name of Jessica Rainwater in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Dispatcher, effective December 15, 2025. This is a new position to be paid from the General Fund – Sheriff’s Office, at an hourly rate of \$14.98. Costs for this position will be reimbursed by the City of Gadsden as stated in City of Gadsden Resolution No. R-589-25.
- J. To place the name of Tanya Stanley in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Deputy Sheriff, Courthouse Security, effective December 15, 2025. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Courthouse Security, at an hourly rate of \$19.18.
- K. To have the first reading to reappoint Kevin Dollar to the Etowah Gadsden Healthcare Authority Board of Directors. This will be for a four-year term.
- L. To have the first reading to appoint Jim Slick to the Etowah Gadsden Healthcare Authority Board of Directors. This will be for a four-year term.
- M. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to grant approval for Randi McCain, Real Property Appraiser in the office of the Revenue Commissioner, to receive PTO leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.
- N. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to declare the following Road Department equipment as surplus:

- 1995 Ford Tractor 7740 (4CY) BEO1777 Asset # 8249
- Mower Cap Boom 21158 Asset # 8251
- 1995 Ford Tractor 7740 (6CY) BEO1814 Asset # 8222
- 2001 Dodge Ram 1500 1B7HC16Y91S782303 Asset # 8492
- 2006 Ford F-150 1FTRF12256KD97986 Asset # 8927

- O. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to declare the following items as surplus:

- HP Photosmart D5059 Printer
- Lexmark Wheelwriter 3000 Typewriter
- Intel Core I-5 Thinkpad Laptop Computer; Asset #10850

- P. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments for Jail – Outside Medical Services, with an effective date of September 30, 2025. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-119.

General Fund		
Revenue		
Increase		
001.40000.45682-720 Pay Phone Commission-Detention Center	\$	8,870
001.40000.44910-720 Revenue from Municipalities	\$	15,956
Expenditures		
Jail		
Increase		
001.52200-157 Medical/Dental Services – Inmates – Outside Medical	\$	8,870
001.52200.403 Housing and Feeding Inmates	\$	15,956

- Q. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments – Housing Federal Inmates, with an effective date of September 30, 2025. A copy of this document is in attachment book 15, page 15-120.

General Fund		
Revenue		
Increase		
001.40000-45821-720 Housing Federal Inmates	\$1,019,289	
001.40000.45831-720 Wages Reimbursement – Federal Inmates	\$	16,215
Expenditures		
Jail – Federal Inmates		
Increase		
001.52210-102 Salaries and Benefits – Incentive Plan	\$	179,672
001.52210-113 Salaries and Wages	\$	129,975
001.52210-116 Overtime Pay	\$	53,538
001.52210-121 Retirement Contribution	\$	14,143
001.52210-122 Health Insurance	\$	29,123
001.52210-123 Life Insurance	\$	487
001.52210-124 Social Security/Medicare Taxes	\$	13,637
001.52210-141 Dental Insurance	\$	1,208
001.52210-158 Medical and Dental Services for Inmates/Detainees	\$	170,940
001.52210-203 Uniforms, Clothing, and Footwear	\$	5,568
001.52210-216 Cleaning and Janitorial Supplies	\$	13,495
001.52210-223 Operating Leases – Copy Machines	\$	1,157

001.52210-244 Utilities – Electricity	\$ 75,382
001.52210-245 Utilities – Natural Gas	\$ 3,812
001.52210-246 Utilities – Water	\$ 15,897
001.52210-291 Direct Support – Public Safety	\$ 400,000
001.52210-403 Housing and Feeding Prisoners	\$ 72,499
001.52210-551 Motor Vehicles	\$ 20,000
General Fund	
Jail – Federal Inmates Transports	
Increase	
001.52220-113 Salaries	\$ 18,544
001.52220-121 Retirement Contribution	\$ 2,120
001.52220-123 Life Insurance	\$ 13
Decrease	
001.52220-116 Overtime Pay	\$ 4,667
001.52220-124 Social Security/Medicare Taxes	\$ 82
001.52220-125 Workmen’s Compensation Insurance	\$ 870
001.52220-274 Insurance – General Liability	\$ 1,392

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF

Chief Administrative Officer – No work session next week.
County Engineer
County Attorney
Other

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Craig Inzer thanked everyone for coming today. He missed the ACCA legislative conference last week, he was in Montgomery for the EDPA/Commerce workshop. He also wanted to highlight how efficient our volunteer fire departments are (that assisted Gadsden FD with the Goodyear fire).

Jeffery Washington wished everyone Happy Holidays and wanted to encourage everyone to help their community/neighbors this season.

Tim Ramsey updated everyone on Mental Health housing. The FOCUS team is moving forward with housing options, they have wonderful people on the team and this will be an enormous help for our citizens who are struggling.

Jamie Grant asked we keep everyone in our prayers this season

Johnny Grant also asked we keep all federal and state agents in our thoughts and prayers as well. He is thankful we have security at our courthouse, many counties do not have the funding or ability to have security.

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 9:47 am.

Vacant	
_____ Commissioner, District 1	_____ Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4
_____ Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2	_____ Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5
_____ Jamie Grant, Commissioner, District 3	_____ Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6