

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY  
March 24, 2026**

Commissioner President Jeffery Washington called the Commission Meeting to order on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026 at 9:00 am and Commissioner Jamie Grant, 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 – Mike Powell  
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:**

Board members from the Challenger Learning Center gave updated on center activities and their Grand Opening will be held May 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Jones from the Duck Springs/Sand Valley area signed in the speak about road issues and issues at the landfill and Mr. Jerry Jackson wanted to discuss the bridge on Ponderosa Road.

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

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, 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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:30 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026.**

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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:33 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

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 items on the Consent Agenda were approved as presented:

**CONSENT AGNEDA:**

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 March 10, 2026 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The proposed Agenda for March 24, 2026.
- C. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to promote Matthew Harp to Heavy Equipment Operator, effective March 30, 2026. This is a replacement and promotion to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$18.25.
- D. To approve the request of Robert Nail, County Engineer, to hire Jeremy Blevins as Equipment Operator, effective March 30, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.54.
- E. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Savannah Pritchett as Revenue Tag and Title Clerk, effective March 24, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Revenue, at an hourly rate of \$13.24

- F. To approve the request of Spencer Gray, Facilities Maintenance, to hire Tina Harris as Building Service Worker (Temporary), effective March 16, 2026. This is a temporary replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Maintenance, at an hourly rate of \$12.00.
- G. To approve the request of Dorothea Kurdziel, Rural Transportation Director, to hire Rachel Stinson as Rural Transportation Van Driver, effective March 20, 2026. This is a replacement and voluntary demotion to be paid from the Rural Transportation Operating Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.24
- H. To approve the request of Jonathon Horton, Sheriff, to grant approval for Detention Deputy Blake Hammonds in the Office of the Sheriff to receive PTO leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.
- I. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let a new bid for Inmate Uniforms. Current Bid No. FY 2025-11 Inmate Uniforms, will expire on April 14, 2026. Captain Saylor does not wish to renew this bid. He would like to add items for the inmate workers in order to differentiate from employees.
- J. To approve the 2025 Memorandum of Participation (MOP) WITH Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC for full Valuation of the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) for Etowah County.
- K. To approve a general Right of Way Use Agreement with Farmers Telecommunications Corporation, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the agreement. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-007
- L. To approve the Resolution requesting ADECA’s approval to utilize the remaining balance of funds and request additional funds to purchase additional Lucas Devices and to authorize the Commission President to execute the resolution. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-008
- M. To approve the Hunting Lease, Liability Waiver, and Indemnity Agreement with the Wesson Lake Hunting Club, and to authorize the CAO to execute the Lease. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-009

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026**

**NEW BUSINESS**

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 final reading and approval for ABC License Application Type 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor, for applicant The Kitchen at Pine Crest, LLC, under the trade name The Kitchen at Pine Crest, located at 1570 Bruton Gap Road, Attalla, AL 35954 (District 3). This business is located in unincorporated Etowah County and is a new applicant.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026**

**REPORTS FROM THE STAFF**

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

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:**

Everyone congratulated Mike on his position as District 1 Commissioner. Craig Inzer worked with the Fire Dept and Water Board in the Whorton Bend community, for hydrant checks, which will help ISO rating. Jeffrey thanked everyone for being here today. He encouraged everyone to donate to the challenger center. Mike Powell welcomed his new chapter and is ready to get started.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon a 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 9:50 am.

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**Mike Powell, Commissioner, District 1**

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**Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4**

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**Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2**

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**Jeffery Washington, President, District 5**

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**Jamie Grant, Commissioner, District 3**

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**Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6**