

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY
JUNE 16, 2026**

Commission President Jeffery Washington called the meeting to order on the 16th day of June, 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 6 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 4 – Tim Ramsey
District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 6 – Craig Inzer Jr.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Mary Thomas with Whorton Bend Water Authority made a presentation of the water quality in the Whorton Bend community.

Richard Rybka with Coosa Riverkeepers gave an update on their educational programs, nutrient and algae sampling and swim guides. They will also be presenting a documentary on July 21st at the Pitman Theatre.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Shane Ellison, CAO, presented Jeff Little, Personnel Director, a certificate for 10 years of service to the County.

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 9:21 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Powell, 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 9:32 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

OLD BUSINESS: None

Upon a motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Powell, 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 2, 2026 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
- B. The proposed Agenda for June 16, 2026.
- C. To approve the request of Dorothea Kurdziel, Rural Transportation Director, to hire John Jenkins as Van Driver, effective June 22, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the Rural Transportation Operating Budget, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.
- D. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Sabrina Moore as Revenue Tag/Title Clerk, effective June 16, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Revenue, at an hourly rate of \$13.24.

- E. To approve the Agreement between Etowah County Commission and Etowah County 911 for an EMA Equipment Storage Facility, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-029.
- F. To approve the request to rename School Road (located between AL Hwy 132 and Doc Jenkins Lane) to Yancey Lane. This road is located in District 4.
- G. In accordance with Act 2026-608, to approve a resolution authorizing a one-time lump sum longevity payment for eligible Etowah County retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-030.
- H. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments for the one-time lump sum payment for retirees, to be paid in October 2026:

Legal And Contingency	
Increase	
001.51990-121 Retirement Contribution	\$51,609
Fund Balance	
Decrease	
001.35900 Fund Balance	\$51,609

- I. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments for EMA Equipment including digital message boards, trailers, and app message suites, which will be reimbursed by the Etowah County Community Development Committee:

EMA	
Increase	
001.52300-409 Subscriptions	\$ 5,700
001.52300-549 Other Equipment	\$69,138
Revenue	
Increase	
001.40000+47900-000 Other Revenue	\$74,838

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon a motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Powell, 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 a resolution authorizing the Alabama Department of Revenue (ALDOR) to administer and collect sales, consumers use, sellers use, lodgings, and any associated unabated taxes levied by the Etowah County Commission. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-031.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16^H DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

Upon a motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Powell, 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 a resolution authorizing the Alabama Department of Revenue (ALDOR) to administer and collect tobacco and motor fuels taxes levied by the Etowah County Commission. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-032.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

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 resolution was approved:

To designate Shane Ellison, CAO, and Robert Nail, County Engineer, as having Signatory Authority for ADEM documents as detailed in the ‘Delegation of Signatory Authority’ Agreement and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-033.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF

Chief Administrative Officer
County Engineer
County Attorney
Other

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Everyone commended Jeff for his 10 years of dedicated service, with Jamie Grant highlighting his exceptional energy and knowledge. Tim Ramsey expressed interest in attending the upcoming EMA training, while Johnny requested flyers to distribute to local first responders. Mike recognized the Whorton Bend Water authority for their achievements at the state competition, requesting a follow-up after their upcoming trip to Washington, D.C. Additionally, Tim also wanted to give a big thank you to local legislators and members of the Community Development Committee for their support of the Gallant Volunteer Fire Department. The committee approved funding to replace a storm shelter generator that failed during recent severe weather. Craig Inzer then expressed appreciation to Mary for her ongoing work at the Water Authority and spoke on yesterday's Challenger Center Open House. Jeffery Washington closed by noting the widespread positive advancements throughout the county and encouraged all residents to exercise their right to vote.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon a motion from Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, with all other members present voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 am.

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