MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY
JULY 7, 2026

Commission President Jeffery Washington called the meeting to order on the 7th day of July, 2026 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 6 Commission members were at the meeting and accordingly a quorum was present:

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

Absent – Mike Powell, District 1

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Shane Ellison, CAO, presented Dr. Alan Cosby a Proclamation honoring his retirement.

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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:26 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7TH DAY OF JULY, 2026.

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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:37 am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7TH OF JULY, 2026.

OLD BUSINESS: None

Upon a motion of Commissioner Inzer, 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 16, 2026 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby, approved as written.
B. The proposed Agenda for July 7, 2026.
C. The reported financial transactions for June 2026, including Credit Card Purchases, Cash Disbursements, Online Transfers, and Wire Transfers. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-034.
D. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Kennedy Black as Revenue Tag and Title Clerk, effective July 7, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund – Revenue, at an hourly rate of $13.24.
E. To approve the request of Becky Nordgren, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Jared Reynolds as Tag and Title/Collections Floater 6/6, effective July 7, 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 Robert Nail, County Engineer, to hire Jeffery Minton as Equipment Operator, effective July 13, 2026. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gas Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of $16.54.

G. To place the name of Shannon Thomas in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Captain of Investigations, effective June 29, 2026. This is a replacement and promotion to be paid from the General Fund – Sheriff's Office, at an hourly rate of $22.80.
H. To place the name of Chase Jenkins in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Full Time Deputy Sheriff, effective July 6, 2026. This is a transfer and replacement from part time, to be paid from the General Fund – Sheriff's Office, at an hourly rate of $17.37
I. To place the name of Austin Elder in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Investigator, effective June 29, 2026. This is a replacement and promotion to be paid from the Domestic Violence Grant Fund, at an hourly rate of $18.72.
J. To place the name of Will Smith in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Sergeant of Patrol, effective July 6, 2026. This is a replacement and promotion to be paid from the General Fund – Sheriff's Office, at an hourly rate of $21.18.
K. To place the following names in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective July 6, 2026. These are replacements to be paid from the General Fund – Jail, at an hourly rate of $15.36
   - Isaiah R. Atchison
   - Germika L. Lawler
   - Breanna M. Rodocker

L. To approve the plat for Edgefield Manor Subdivision, a minor subdivision located off of Pleasant Hill Church Road, District 3.
M. To approve the Revised Insolvents, Errors, Litigations and Unsold Tax Liens for 2025 and Uncollected Insolvents and Taxes in Litigation for Previous Years, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-035.
N. To approve the request of Jonathon Horton, Sheriff, to grant approval for Sherrie Barbaree - Accounting Technician in the Office of the Sheriff to receive PTO leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.
O. To approve the request of Shane Ellison, CAO, to grant approval for Sherri Starr – Purchasing Technician in the Commission Office to receive PTO leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.
P. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let a new bid for Rodent, Pest, Bird, and Termite Services – County Buildings (3-year contract). The current bid FY2023-19 will expire on August 31, 2026.
Q. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew Bid No. FY 2024-13 Ambulance Service – Detention Center, with Advantage EMS, for a third and final year as provided for in the original bid.
R. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew Bid No. FY 2025-16 Hot Plant Mix Paving Material – FOB Plant, with Vulcan Materials Co. and Wiregrass Construction, for an additional year as provided for in the original bid.
S. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew Bid No. FY 2024-12 Metal and Side Drain Pipe, with Fallin Farms, for a third and final year as provided for in the original bid.
T. To approve the Comcast Service Agreement for the Engineering Dept. This will be for a term of 36 months, and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-036.
U. To accept the recommendation by Steven Ward and Associates to award the bid for Building Envelope Repairs at the Etowah County Judicial Building to C/Sharpe Co., LLC, for a total bid amount of $760,037.00. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-037.
V. To approve the Audit Contract between the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts and Etowah County Commission, and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-038.
W. To approve the Grant Writing Services Proposal between Kalbacher Associates, LLC and Etowah County Commission. A copy of this document is in attachment book 16, page 16-039.
X. To approve the request to designate a portion of Sardis Road, beginning at U.S. Hwy 431 and extending to Rosser Boulevard, as a Purple Heart Highway.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7^{TH} DAY OF JULY, 2026.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> **None**

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF

Chief Administrative Officer
County Engineer
County Attorney
Other

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

<u>ADJOURN</u>: 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 9:48 am.

Absent	
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