

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
September 1st, 2020**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 1st Day of September, 2020. Commissioner Jeffery Washington called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and Commissioner Joey Statum led in the Prayer and the Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS: None.

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM: The following 4 out of 6 Commission members were at the meeting and accordingly a quorum was present:

District 1 – Joey Statum

District 5 – Jeffery Washington

District 4 – Tim Ramsey

District 6 – Craig Inzer

Absent: Johnny Grant – District 2

Larry V. Payne – District 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Joey Statum, seconded by Commissioner Tim Ramsey, with all other members present voting “yes”, the following resolution was passed and adopted:

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 18th, 2020, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for September 1st, 2020.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To approve the request of Cassandra Johnson, Circuit Clerk, to hire two employees to help with absentee voting. This will be by contract from September 9th through November 10th at \$75 per day and no benefits, to be reimbursed by the Alabama Secretary of State.
- E. To place the name of David Farley, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Sergeant, effective August 27th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.92.
- F. To place the name of Wiley Boggs, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective August 31st, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- G. To place the name of Andrew Watts, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 9th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- H. To place the name of Joshua Pogue, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 9th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- I. To place the name of Sawyer Phillips, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 9th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- J. To place the name of Kennon McKenzie, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Investigations, effective August 25th, 2020. This is a replacement (promotion) to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$15.36.
- K. To place the name of Wesley Smith, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Field Training Officer (FTO), effective September 1, 2020. This is a replacement (promotion) to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.95.
- L. To place the name of Shannon Keith Thomas, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Field Training Officer (FTO), effective September 1st, 2020. This is a replacement (promotion) to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$14.62.
- M. To place the name of Justin Taylor Morris, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot Detention Deputy, effective September 2nd 2020. This is replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.

- N. To place the name of Alnita Mitchell, in the Sheriff's Office job slot Detention Deputy, effective September 2nd, 2020. This is replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- O. To approve the request from Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew **Bid No. FY 2017-2018-20 Janitorial Supplies** with the current vendor (McCleskey Brothers, Inc.) for a third and final year, as provided for in the original bid.
- P. To approve the request from Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew **Bid No. FY 2018-2019-12 Filters – Fuel, Air, Oil & Hydraulic** with the current vendor (Tractor & Equipment and The Parts House) for a second year, as provided for in the original bid.
- Q. To approve the request from Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award **Bid No. FY 2019-2020-17 Rodent, Pest, Bird & Termite Service – Co. Bldgs** to Morris Pest Control as being the lowest local bidder and well below the guidelines allowed using the 5% local preference zone/preferred vendor.
- R. To approve the request from Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award **Bid No. FY 2019-2020-18 Plastic Roadway Pipe** to Bear Concrete Products, the lowest bidder.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Tim Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Craig Inzer, with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

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

To approve the following Resolutions as requested by Scott Hassell, Judge of Probate:

1. To declare that an emergency exists in that two polling locations are unavailable for the 2020 General Election.
2. To designate the United Rubber Workers Union Hall (located on Hoke Street) be declared as an alternate polling location for the Wallace Hall and East Gadsden Boxes for the November 2020 General Election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

Upon motion of Commissioner Craig Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Tim Ramsey, with all other members voting “yes”, the following resolution was adopted:

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

To approve the following Holiday Schedule for 2021:

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| 1. New Year's Day | Friday, January 1, 2021 |
| 2. Martin Luther King, Jr/Robert E. Lee | Monday, January 18, 2021 |
| 3. Good Friday | Friday, April 2, 2021 |
| 4. Memorial Day | Monday, May 31, 2021 |
| 5. Independence Day (observed) | Monday, July 5 th , 2021 |
| 6. Labor Day | Monday, September 6, 2021 |
| 7. Columbus Day | Monday, October 11, 2021 |
| 8. Veteran's Day | Thursday, November 11, 2021 |
| 9. Thanksgiving Day | Thursday, November 25, 2021 |
| 10. Post-Thanksgiving Day | Friday, November 26, 2021 |
| 11. Christmas Day (observed) | Friday, December 24, 2021 |
| 12. New Year's Day (observed) | Friday, December 31, 2021 |

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer: Shane Ellison, CAO, said they were working on the budget and are delaying the bid for the earthwork at Little Canoe Creek Megasite by one week but it will not delay the award process (which will be on the agenda at the next meeting). Shane thanked the Engineering Department for their help.

County Engineer: No Report.

County Attorney: No Report.

Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Statum asked everyone to remember to complete their Census.

Commissioner Inzer said they were doing a clean-up in Reece City and he asked about the mowing schedule. Robert Nail said they were working as fast as they could to get caught up.

Commissioner Washington also discussed the importance of the Census and thanked everyone for coming.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Joey Statum, seconded by Commissioner Craig Inzer, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4

ABSENT

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Jeffery Washington, President, Commissioner, District 5

ABSENT

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6