

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
JUNE 21, 2022**

Commissioner Johnny Grant called the meeting to order on the 21st Day of June, 2022 at 9:00 am and the meeting was opened with the Prayer and 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 – Joey Statum  
District 2 - Johnny Grant  
District 3 – Jamie Grant

District 4 – Tim Ramsey  
District 6 – Craig Inzer

Absent: Jeffery Washington – District 5

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS & OTHERS:** Mayor Reeves thanked everyone for the resurfacing of the Appalachian Highway due to the use by the citizens of Hokes Bluff. They were also thanked by Senator Jones, Larry Sandlin, and Alan Cosby for the resurfacing of Appalachian Highway.

**AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner 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 recess in order to have a Work Session at 9:10 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2022.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, 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 call the Etowah County Commission Meeting back to order at 9:30 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2022.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum seconded by Commissioner Inzer, 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 May 17, 2022 and of the Special Called Meeting dated May 31, 2022 of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for June 21, 2022
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let a new bid for Hot Plant Mix Paving Material.
- E. To approve the Contract with Ivan Meeks to cut hay on approximately 35 acres at the Little Canoe Creek Megasite and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement is filed in Attachment Book 12, Page 98.
- F. To approve the designation that the following organization serves a public purpose and is eligible to receive public funds:

a. Quality of Life

- G. To approve and accept the GIS Service and Support Agreement with Keet Consulting Services for Geocoding Voter Registration for \$19,850 and to approve the HAVA Grant Application, which will cover the initial cost of the service. Also, to authorize the Probate Judge to execute the documents. A copy of this Agreement is filed in Attachment Book 12, Page 99.
- H. To approve the request of Kevin Dollar, Deputy Administrator/CFO, to make the following budget amendments for the Board of Registrars' Office:

Increase: Expenditures

Salaries & Wages	(001.51920-113)	\$251
Social Security/Medicare Taxes	(001.51920-124)	\$20
Data Processing – Computer Software	(001.51920-586)	\$20,250
Equipment<Threshold	(001.51920-471)	\$4,500
Repairs & Maintenance – Data Processing	(001.51920-235)	\$9,600

Increase: Revenue

Other Revenue	(001.40000.47900-000)	\$14,771
HAVA Grant	(001.40000.44765-810)	\$19,850

- I. To name the road serving the Little Canoe Creek Megasite “Bynum Industrial Drive” from US HWY 11, across the railroad tracks, and south to near I-59 (see attached map). The attached map is filed in Attachment Book 12, Page 100.
- J. To approve the request from the City of Gadsden to use the ES&S Express Vote machines for voter assistance during their municipal elections scheduled for August 23, 2022 and the runoff election, if necessary, on September 20, 2022.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2022.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Upon motion of Commissioner Johnny Grant, seconded by Commissioner Jamie Grant, 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 accept and approve Project ECP 28-076-18 Resurfacing on CR-375 (Appalachian Highway) from SR-4 (US – 278) to SR-25 (US-411) and to authorize the Commission President to execute any documents. This project will cover 8 miles and cost approximately \$4,000,000. A copy of this Resolution is filed in Attachment Book 12, Page 101.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE, 2022.**

**REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:**

- Chief Administrative Officer:** Shane let everyone know that the Federal Probation Office is moving out of the Judicial Building to the Calhoun County Courthouse.
- County Engineer:** Robert thanked his crews that worked on removing downed trees during a recent storm.
- County Attorney:** No Report.
- Other:** No Report.

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Statum asked Dr. Cosby about additional SRO's for Glencoe Schools. They currently have 1 officer for all three schools and the owner of Tameron Honda (Mr. Brandon) called and told him that he would be willing to pay 1/3 of the funding for the officers at Glencoe Schools.

Commissioner Jamie Grant said funding of the SRO officers needed to come from Montgomery.

Senator Jones said they have \$5 million in funding but Montgomery is currently trying to document the permit sales for each county but not all counties are participating.

Commissioner Inzer said he would like to recognize Whorton Bend Fire Dept and the Sheriff's Office for their help in finding an elderly lady that was lost. She was found, treated, and now back at home with her family.

Commissioner Ramsey thanked everyone for working on the road together and asked the other Commissioners for more help on the roads. He said they need to regroup and find the money and do something with the gas tax.

Superintendent Cosby said the Board of Education Building should be ready July 15<sup>th</sup> and they are currently working on the internet services. He said August 4<sup>th</sup> is the first day of school for the teachers and August 11<sup>th</sup> for the students.

Commissioner Johnny Grant thanked everyone again for working together.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Jamie Grant, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am.

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Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

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Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4

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Johnny Grant, President, Commissioner, District 2

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**ABSENT**

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Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

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Jamie W. Grant, Commissioner, District 3

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Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6