

ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2022

The St. Clair County Commission met in regular session on February 8, 2022 in the County Commission Chambers of the St. Clair County Courthouse Annex #1 (Administrative Center) in Ashville, Alabama.

Members Present: Paul Manning, Chairman
Jeff Brown, Commissioner District One
Ricky Parker, Commissioner District Two
Tommy Bowers, Commissioner District Three
Bob Mize, Commissioner District Four

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tina Morgan, Administrator
Corey Phillips, Assistant Deputy Administrator
Dan Dahlke, Engineer
James E. Hill, III, County Attorney
Matt Coupland, Sheriff Dept.
John McWaters, Sheriff's Dept.
Freddie Turrentine, Operations
Aislinn Campbell, E-911 Director
Jason Goodgame, Goodgame, Co.
Josie Howell, St. Clair Times
Roland St. John
Gary Staples
Stan Batemon
Harold Hoyle
Lude Mashburn, Park & Recreation Board
Don Smith, EDC

CALL TO ORDER of Regular Meeting

Chairman Manning declared a quorum present at 9:04 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the Agenda be approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular meeting on January 25, 2022 be approved.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The first item of the Engineer's report was an informational item updating the road crews.

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The next item was to discuss approval to renew a rental agreement with Solar Trak for use of trackers on County vehicles. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that renewing a rental agreement with Solar Trak for use of trackers on County vehicles is approved. (Agreement to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #1)

The next item was to discuss approval to pay an invoice without a purchase order to Well's Septic Tank, Inc., for pipe in the amount of \$3,366.60 that had to be purchased due to not having a metal pipe bid at this time. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that paying an invoice without a purchase order to Well's Septic Tank, Inc., for pipe in the amount of \$3,366.60 that had to be purchased due to not having a metal pipe bid at this time is approved.

The next item was to discuss approval to pay an invoice without a purchase order to Whitaker Contracting Corp. for striping on Gallant Road that was done as part of the Rebuild Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$64,526.44. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that paying an invoice without a purchase order to Whitaker Contracting Corp. for striping on Gallant Road that was done as part of the Rebuild Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$64,526.44 is approved.

The next item was to discuss adopting Resolution 2022-30 opposing SB 157 related to increasing the weight limit on logging trucks on County Roads. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution 2022-30 opposing SB 157 related to increasing the weight limit on logging trucks on County Roads is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #2)

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The first item of the administrator's report was to discuss approving travel requests as presented in the work session. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the travel requests as presented in the work session are approved. (List to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #3)

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The first item of the County Attorney's report was to discuss adopting Resolution 2022-31 of recognition & appreciation to Lude Mashburn & other members of the St. Clair County Public Park & Recreation Board. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution 2022-31 of recognition & appreciation to Lude Mashburn & other members of the St. Clair County Public Park & Recreation Board is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #4)

The next item was to discuss adopting Resolution 2022-32 transferring real property to City of Pell City. Mr. Hill stated this is a development agreement with the City of Pell City as it relates to the old hospital property. That property was sold to the City of Pell City & the County is in a development agreement to participate in the development of a retail project at the old hospital property. Part of the real property at one time was a street that was never developed. The City of Pell City vacated that street & does not appear to have ever executed a deed to St. Clair County. Although, the resolution speaks to a deed. As such there is a title issue as it relates to ownership of an undeveloped, but vacated street on that property. Mr. Hill ask the Commission to consider a resolution to transfer the undeveloped, but vacated street to the City of Pell City as it is our intent & we (County) have been paid for the totality of the property where the old hospital resided so as to ensure the development of this retail project for the City of Pell City. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution 2022-32 transferring real property to City of Pell City is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #5)

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The first item of New Business was to consider approving Public Works Project with Contractor, Ryan Smith, at the Pell City Sheriff's Office lobby for restroom renovations in the amount of \$28,400.00. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that a Public Works Project with Contractor, Ryan Smith, at the Pell City Sheriff's Office lobby for restroom renovations in the amount of \$28,400.00 is approved.

The next item was to discuss ratifying Chairman Manning's execution of Raymond James investment documents related to the investing of jail construction warrant proceeds. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that ratifying Chairman Manning's execution of Raymond James investment documents related to the investing of jail construction warrant proceeds is approved. (Documents to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #6)

The next item was to discuss the request of Sheriff Murray to extend the temporary, full-time position (65-day duration). On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Sheriff Murray to extend the temporary, full-time position (65-day duration) is approved.

The next item was to discuss approval of the recommendation of Roddy Wolfe, Property Manager, to purchase and install a generator from Rich

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Electric at the IT building in the estimated amount of \$10,000.00. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of Roddy Wolfe, Property Manager, to purchase and install a generator from Rich Electric at the IT building in the estimated amount of \$10,000.00 is approved.

The next item was to discuss approval of the recommendation of Roddy Wolfe, Property Manager for Rich Electric to replace an electrical panel at the Ashville jail in the estimated amount of \$7,000.00. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of Roddy Wolfe, Property Manager for Rich Electric to replace an electrical panel at the Ashville jail in the estimated amount of \$7,000.00 is approved.

The next item was to discuss approval of the request of Revenue Commissioner, Ken Crowe, to promote Kay McGinnis into the Chief Appraiser Position, Tracy Wolfe into the Appraiser position and Chase Merrymon into the Appraisal Clerk position effective March 1, 2022 and post the Revenue Clerk position. These changes are due to Todd Ray, Chief Appraiser, retiring March 1, 2022. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Revenue Commissioner, Ken Crowe, to promote Kay McGinnis into the Chief Appraiser Position, Tracy Wolfe into the Appraiser position and Chase Merrymon into the Appraisal Clerk position effective March 1, 2022 and post the Revenue Clerk position is approved.

The next item was to discuss approval of the Dataworks Plus agreement for software & hardware support for the jail for fingerprinting for one year in the amount of \$6,700.00, pending County Attorney's review. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the Dataworks Plus agreement for software & hardware support for the jail for fingerprinting for one year in the amount of \$6,700.00 is approved. (Agreement to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #7)

The next item was to discuss adopting Resolution 2022-29 establishing Ad Valorem taxes within St. Clair County. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution 2022-29 establishing Ad Valorem taxes within St. Clair County is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #8)

The next item was to discuss approval of the request of Curtis Pippin, Veteran's Outreach Coordinator, to pay for travel in the estimated amount of \$6,000.00. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was (note amended agreement

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with Auburn University/Alabama Cooperative Extension was approved on 2/22/22)

RESOLVED, that the request of Curtis Pippin, Veteran's Outreach Coordinator, to pay for travel in the estimated amount of \$6,000.00 is approved.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The next item to discuss was Board appointments. Commissioner Bowers made a motion to reappoint Paul Brasher & Lavenia Burnham to the St. Clair County DHR Board with their terms expiring February 8, 2022. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request to reappoint Paul Brasher & Lavenia Burnham to the St. Clair County DHR Board with their terms expiring February 8, 2022 is approved.

The next item was to discuss reappointing Carolyn Burnett & Jeanette Taylor to the St. Clair County Historical Development Commission with their terms expiring February 8, 2027. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that reappointing Carolyn Burnett & Jeanette Taylor to the St. Clair County Historical Development Commission with their terms expiring February 8, 2022 is approved.

The next item for discussion was to approve payment of the monthly bills. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the monthly bills be approved for payment with the exception of those that are questioned by the Commission before the close of business today.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, subject to call, at approximately 9:26 a.m. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye.

{ SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW }

Paul Manning, Chairman

Jeff Brown, Commissioner

Ricky Parker, Commissioner

Tommy Bowers, Commissioner

Bob Mize, Commissioner