

ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 25, 2020

The St. Clair County Commission met in regular session on February 25, 2020, in the County Commission Chambers of the St. Clair County Courthouse in Pell City, Alabama.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tina Morgan, Administrator  
Donna Wood, CFO  
Dan Dahlke, Engineer  
James Hill, County Attorney  
Bill Richvalsky, E-911 Director  
Bob Mize  
Lyman Lovejoy, Lovejoy Reality  
John McWaters, Sheriff's Dept.  
David Atchison, St. Clair Times  
Wayne Johnson, Veterans Outreach  
Luther Embry, Veterans Outreach  
Worth Barhun, Veterans Outreach  
Wayne Kendrick, Veterans Home  
Rusty Martins, Veterans Home  
Arthur Hilliard, Veterans Home  
Deb Howard, 2020 Census  
Carl Richards, Veteran  
Dill Sams, Veteran  
Joe Kemp, Attorney  
Toni Herrerabast, YWCA  
Latasha J. Humphrey, YWCA  
Erica Story, YWCA  
Vernetta Bowan, YWCA  
Bridget McDaniel, YWCA  
Knetta Adkins, YWCA  
Walter Lewis,  
John Garrison  
Richard Carl  
Cathleen Roberts  
Beverly Humphries  
Dale Humphries  
Charles Humphries  
George McCain  
Dena Smith, Veterans Widow  
Anita Wilson

**CALL TO ORDER of REGULAR MEETING**

Chairman Manning declared a quorum present at 9:15a.m. and called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

RESOLVED, that the Agenda be approved as presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular meeting on February 11, 2020 be approved.

**Wayne Johnson-Veterans Outreach:**

Mr. Johnson gave an update on various Veterans Outreach projects for September 2019- February 2020.

**Deb Howard-Census 2020 Update:**

Ms. Howard gave an update on the progress of the 2020 Census. Ms. Howard is working closely with Municipalities, attending events, posting on social media, etc. to encourage the Citizens to complete the 2020 Census in March.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

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

The next item was to discuss Beaver Control Bid #24. The minutes need to reflect a correction that Bid#24 that was approved in the minutes of 2-11-2020 should have been bid #6. Mr. Dahlke said he mistakenly put bid #6 and it should have been bid#24. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that that Beaver Control Bid #24 corrected to Beaver Control Bid #6 is approved.

The next item was to discuss approving an invoice for signage relocation for Tract #10 for \$2,153.00. City of Pell City will reimburse the County. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that an invoice for signage relocation for Tract #10 for \$2,153.00 is approved.

The next item was to discuss the recommendation of the Engineer to hire Joshua Jackson into the vacant Road Worker I position. The position was left vacant by Dexter Graben who resigned. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the recommendation of the Engineer to hire Joshua Jackson into the vacant Road Worker I position. The position was left vacant by Dexter Graben who resigned is approved. (Letter to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #1)

The next item was to discuss rebidding Bid #30 Surface Treatment Paving due Charlie Watts couldn't honor bid amounts. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of the Engineer to re-bid Bid #30 Surface Treatment Paving due to Charlie Watts could no longer honor the bid amounts is approved.

**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 Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the travel requests as presented in the work session are approved. (Travel requests to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #2)

**Informational item** to be recorded in the minutes; Probate Judge Mike Bowling hired April Griffin in the vacant Full Time Driver's License Clerk Contract Position.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

The first item of the County Attorney's report was to discuss approving Resolution 2020-14 in support of no change to current Pistol Permit Laws, to ensure Public Safety. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that approving Resolution 2020-14 in support of no change to current Pistol Permit Laws, to ensure Public Safety is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #3)

The next item was to discuss paygrade increase from 8 to a 12 for all part-time Courthouse Security Officers positions. This will require a budget amendment. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that paygrade increase from 8 to a 12 for all part-time Courthouse Security Officers position, also a budget amendment is approved. (Pay scale to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #4)

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

The first item of New Business was to discuss a quote and agreement from Southern Kitchen Exhaust Cleaning for cleaning out the exhaust system at the Pell City & Ashville Jail. One (1) time charge of \$3,200.00 for both jails to install eight (8) access panels & initial cleaning to be paid from Sheriff's Funds. Maintenance charges are estimated to be \$2,200.00 annually will be budgeted in the FY21 Jail, General Fund Budget. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the quote and agreement from Southern Kitchen Exhaust Cleaning for cleaning out the exhaust system at the Pell City & Ashville Jail. A one (1) time charge of \$3,200.00 for both jails to install eight (8) access panels & initial cleaning to be paid from

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Sheriff's Funds is approved. (Agreement to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #5)

The next item was to discuss decreasing the mileage rate from 0.58 cents to 57.5 cents per mile for County use of a personal vehicle in accordance with St. Clair County Policy No 2 (amended 1999), which bases the County mileage rate on the rate paid by the State of Alabama. Effectively immediately. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that decreasing the mileage rate from .58 cents to 57.5 cents per mile for County use of a personal vehicle in accordance with St. Clair County Policy No 2 (amended 1999), which bases the County mileage rate on the rate paid by the State of Alabama. Effectively immediately is approved. (Document to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #6)

The next item was to discuss the request from YWCA (Young Woman's Christian Association) Youth Development Programs Specialist to adopt a Resolution Proclaiming February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request from YWCA, Youth Development Programs Specialist to adopt a Resolution Proclaiming February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month is approved. (Resolution to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #7)

The next item was to discuss the request of Chief Paul Monk to pay an invoice without a purchase order to Bob Barker for uniforms in the amount of \$191.94. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Brown, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Chief Paul Monk to pay an invoice without a purchase order to Bob Barker for uniforms in the amount of \$191.94 is approved.

The next item was to discuss the request of Lynn Crow for a 2006 Crown Victoria Vin#27786 to be declared as surplus and to be sold on govdeals.com. On a motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request of Lynn Crow for a 2006 Crown Victoria Vin#27786 to be declared as surplus and to be sold on govdeals.com is approved. (List to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #8)

The next item was to discuss adopting a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance required by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Association) pending the approval from FEMA. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance required by FEMA pending the approval from FEMA is approved. (Ordinance to be made a part of these minutes as Attachment #9)

**Board Appointments**

The next item was to discuss board appointments. Commissioner Roberts made a motion to appoint Commissioner Tommy Bowers to the Coosa Valley Water Board, effective March 15, 2020. Revenue Commissioner Ken Crowe will be resigning effective March 15, 2020. Commissioner Bowers term will expire August 13, 2021. On a motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, except Commissioner Bowers, who abstained, it was

RESOLVED, that the request to appoint Tommy Bowers to the Coosa Valley Water Board effective March 15, 2020 is approved. His term will expire August 13, 2021.

The next item for discussion was to approve payment of the monthly bills. On a motion by Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Parker, 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 9:25 a.m. On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye.

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