

ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

The St. Clair County Commission met in regular session on September 8, 2020 in the County Commission Chambers of the St. Clair County Courthouse Annex #1 (Administrative Center) in Ashville, Alabama.

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

Members Absent: Jeff Brown, Commissioner District One

Others Present: Tina Morgan, Administrator
Donna Wood, CFO
Corey Phillips, Administrative Assistant
Dan Dahlke, Engineer
James E. Hill, III, County Attorney
Gary Hanner, License Inspector
Jennifer Forman, Payroll
Billy Murray, Sheriff
John McWaters, Sheriff's Department
Logan Glass, Young Republican's Party
Elizabeth Mealer, Retired Revenue Commissioner
Josie Howell, St. Clair Times

CALL TO ORDER of Regular Meeting

Chairman Manning declared a quorum present at 9:08 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular meeting and the Public Hearing on August 25, 2020, be approved.

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 approving a renewal service agreement with Diversified Computer Services. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

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RESOLVED, that a renewal service agreement with Diversified Computer Services is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #1)

The next item was to discuss approval of St. Clair County to take paved portion of Dogwood Circle off Clear Water Point Road for maintenance pending the signing of a ROW (Right of way) Deed. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that St. Clair County to take paved portion of Dogwood Circle off Clear Water Point Road for maintenance pending the signing of a ROW Deed is approved. (Deed to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #2)

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The first item of the administrators report was to discuss approval of the travel requests as submitted 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 submitted 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 approval of an amendment to QCHC (Quality Care Health Care) and renewal of QCHC agreement for Fiscal Year 2021. Mr. Hill stated how St. Clair County provides healthcare services to inmates. The amount of the agreement was reduced due to the total of inmates because of the temporary closure of the Pell City Jail. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the amendment and the renewal of the QCHC agreement for FY2021 is approved. (Amendment & Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #4&4A)

The next item for discussion was to the approve renewal of MRM (Millennium Risk Management) agreement for professional services in the amount of \$25,000.00. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the renewal of MRM Agreement for professional services in the amount of \$25,000.00 is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #5)

The next item for discussion was to approve a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding between the St. Clair County Commission and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System/Auburn University for them to use space in our facilities. Mr. Hill stated that it is a partnership between the county and the Extension Office that we both have enjoyed for a significant period of time. A tremendous benefit to the county and our citizens. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that a MOU between the St. Clair County Commission and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System/Auburn University for them to use space in our facilities is approved. (MOU to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #6)

The next item for discussion was to approve an agreement related to the safety and security of persons or properties, specifically persons in this case, with Pronto-Trak for Electronic Monitoring services. This service provides a way for St. Clair County Judicial System can electronically monitor certain defendants, inmates or individuals if during pre-trial or post-trial to offer or afford the county with another layer of protection and security for St. Clair County. Also, to provide the Judges and Judicial System with a mechanism where by certain members could be released from jail if the Judicial System knew exactly where the individuals/inmates were at all times. It is a technology that other Judicial Systems and counties are using and a significant portion of the cost would be passed onto the particular individual, the defendant or the inmate, assuming that the individual or inmate is not indigent. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that an agreement with Pronto-Trak for Electronic Monitoring services is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #7)

OLD BUSINESS

The first item of Old Business was to discuss the request of Trade name: Even Odds Bar and Grill- Applicant: HLLC located at 10191 US HWY 231 South, Cropwell, Al 35054 for a 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor License. Tabled on 8-11-2020 & 8-25-2020 per policy. County Attorney, James Hill, stated that this situation is unique in that the location has been licensed before, but at some point in time the license had been surrendered. There is a window of time where the business has not been licensed which has created some challenges. It is the County Commission's responsibility to review the application for license to ensure compliance with the statute and certainly for the benefit and for the safety of the public. Mr. Hill's recommendation was to table one more time for two more weeks to allow a complete investigation of the situation as it currently exists to make sure that the county's decision be a considerate and deliberate decision. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request from Trade name: Even Odds Bar and Grill- Applicant: HLLC located at 10191 US HWY 231 South, Cropwell, Al 35054 for approval of a 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor License be tabled for two more weeks on the recommendation of County Attorney, James Hill.

NEW BUSINESS

The first item of New Business was to discuss approving the renewal of an annual agreement for FY (Fiscal Year) 2021 with AllCOMM Wireless Division of Mobile Communications America in the amount of \$2,568.00 for EMA (Emergency Management Agency). On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

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RESOLVED, that renewing an annual agreement for FY2021 with AllCOMM Wireless Division of Mobile Communications America in the amount of \$2,568.00 for EMA is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #8)

The next item to discuss was to approve the renewal of an annual agreement for FY2021 with AllCOMM Wireless Division of Mobile Communications America in the amount of \$1,560.00 for EMA. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the renewal of an annual agreement for FY2021 with AllCOMM Wireless Division of Mobile Communications America in the amount of \$1,560.00 for EMA is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #9)

The next item to discuss was to approve the renewal of an annual agreement for FY2021 with Windstream in the amount of \$14,547.72. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the renewal of an annual agreement for FY2021 with Windstream in the amount of \$14,547.72 is approved. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #10)

The next item to discuss was to approve the renewal of a three (3) year agreement for FY2021 with Triple Point Industries, LLC. in the amount of \$210.00 monthly (\$2,520.00 annually) for the Maintenance Department. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the renewal of a three (3) year agreement for FY2021 with Triple Point Industries, LLC in the amount of \$210.00 monthly (\$2,520.00 annually) for the Maintenance Department. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #11)

The next item to discuss was to approve an agreement for FY2021 with ES&S Election System & Software in the amount of \$112,315.00 for voting equipment this was the recommendation of Probate Judge, Mike Bowling. Subject to County Attorney's review. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that with the recommendation of Probate Judge, Mike Bowling, that an agreement for FY2021 with ES&S Election System & Software in the amount of \$112,315.00 for voting equipment is approved. Subject to County Attorney's review. (Agreement to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #12)

The next item to discuss was to approve adopting Resolution #2020-46 proclaiming September 2020, as Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution #2020-46 proclaiming September 2020, as Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month is approved. (Resolution to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #13)

The next item to discuss was to approve adopting Resolution #2020-41 honoring Drew Goolsby for his tenure and accomplishments to EDC (Economic Development Council). On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that adopting Resolution Honoring Drew Goolsby for his tenure and accomplishments to EDC is approved. (Resolution to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #14)

The next item to discuss was to approve with the recommendation of Maintenance Supervisor, Lynn Crow, to hire Jeremy Griffin to the vacant contract Maintenance Position. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Parker, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that it was the recommendation of Maintenance Supervisor, Lynn Crow, to hire Jeremy Griffin to the vacant contract Maintenance Position is approved. (Contract to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #15)

The next item to discuss was to approve the letting of annual bids for the Commission Office and Maintenance Department. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the letting of annual bids for the Commission Office and Maintenance Department are approved.

The next item to discuss was to approve the request from Public Transportation Director, Janet Smith, to post and hire the budgeted clerk position. On a motion by Commissioner Mize, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request from Public Transportation Director, Janet Smith, to post and hire the budgeted clerk position is approved.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The next item for discussion was board appointments. Commissioner Mize made a motion to reappoint Julie Funderburg and Patsy Spradley to the Library Board. Mrs. Funderburg and Mrs. Spradley's terms will expire on October 1, 2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker, and with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that the request to reappoint Julie Funderburg and Patsy Spradley to the Library Board with both terms expiring October 1, 2024, are approved.

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

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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.

Informational item: Recognize Commissioner Ricky Parker for his outstanding accomplishment as Graduate of Alabama Government Training Institute and Association of County Commissions of Alabama through Auburn University.

Informational item: Recognize Corey Phillips for her outstanding accomplishment for completing and receiving her Certificate in County Administration through the Alabama Government Training Institute and Association of County Commissions of Alabama.

Informational item: Recognize Jennifer Forman for her outstanding accomplishment for completing and receiving her Certificate as Alabama Certified Payroll Specialist.

The next item to discuss was to approve entering into Executive Session at 9:36am for a period of 15-20 minutes to discuss matters related to real property. Chairman Paul Manning, Commissioners Ricky Parker, Tommy Bowers and Bob Mize present, absent Commissioner Jeff Brown. On a motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye, it was

RESOLVED, that entering into Executive Session at 9:36am for a period of 15-20 minutes to discuss matters related to real property is approved. (Document to be made part of these minutes as Attachment #16)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, subject to call, at approximately 10:05 a.m. On a motion by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mize, with all voting aye.

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Paul Manning, Chairman

ABSENT

Jeff Brown, Commissioner

Ricky Parker, Commissioner

Tommy Bowers, Commissioner

Bob Mize, Commissioner