

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
June 18th, 2019**

There was a Public Hearing regarding the vacation of McCord Avenue, which is a road located in Commission District 6. Josh Sullivan was there to represent the petitioners for the vacation request in case there were any questions. There were no comments or questions so the Public Hearing was dismissed.

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 18th Day of June, 2019. Commissioner Statum called the meeting to order at 10:10 am and Commissioner 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: Karen Bates, County Clerk, called the roll to establish a quorum. The following 6 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly and quorum was present:

District 1 – Joey Statum	District 4 – Tim Ramsey
District 2 – Johnny Grant	District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 3 – Larry V. Payne	District 6 – Craig Inzer

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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 June 4th, 2019, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for June 18, 2019.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To place the name of Christopher Newman in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective June 24th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- E. To place the name of Natosha Richards in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective June 24th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- F. To place the name of Shunteria Collins in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective June 24th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- G. To place the name of Regenia Wright in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective June 17th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- H. To place the name of Dylan Laney in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective June 17th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- I. The Sheriff placed the name of Tony Gambell in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy on June 17th, 2019. This is replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- J. To approve the request of Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to hire Jessica Causey as an Administrative Secretary, effective June 19th, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- K. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Heather Hudson as Revenue Mapping Clerk effective June 24, 2019. This is a replacement to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.86.
- L. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to promote Maxine Jones to Appraiser II, effective June 23, 2019. This will be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, at an hourly rate of \$14.98. She has completed the required course work for Appraiser II Designation.

M. To approve the request from Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to declare the following items as surplus:

Asset# 8249	Equip ID # 859	1995 Ford 7740 Tractor	Vin# BEO1777
Asset# 8250	Equip ID # 861	1994 Ford 7740 Tractor	Vin# BEO1770
Asset# 8206	Equip ID # 878	1994 Ford 7840 Tractor	Vin# BD76831
Asset# 7671	Equip ID # 870	2001 Brush Bandit Chipper(John Deere)	Vin# 000558

N. To approve the request of Lora Weaver, Rural Transportation Director, to authorize the Lease Agreement pertaining to Advertising Space on the Rural Transportation Buses with Back Roads Media, LLC., and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 054.

O. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to renew "Bid No. FY 2017-2018-14 Hot Plant Mix Material – FOB Plant" for an additional year with Jim's Asphalt, LLC., as provided for in the original bid.

P. To approve the request from Michael Powell, Sheriff's Office – Chief of Administration, to make the following line item adjustments:

Increase: Repairs and Maintenance (001.52100.234) \$10,000

Decrease: Other Equipment (001.52100.549) \$10,000

Q. To approve the request from Tim Graves, Etowah County Engineer, to authorize the Agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation for Project No. STPOA-2814 (252), County Project No. ECP 28-76-12, CPMS Ref# 100056668 for the widening, resurfacing, and traffic stripe on Lay Springs Road and Moon Road from Gadsden City Limits to Tabor Road (CR291) and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 055.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Washington, 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:

The "Resolution of the Etowah County Commission for a 2020 Census Partnership" to support a united voice to help enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens and to advocate the importance of an accurate count. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 056.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, 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:

The "Resolution of Assent of County Commission of Etowah County, Alabama, to Vacate Roadway" regarding a portion of McCord Avenue located in Etowah County District 6. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 057.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, 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:

The request of David Akins, CAO, to grant approval of an employee in the Sheriff's Office (Kaitlyn Lusk) to receive catastrophic sick leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Payne, 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:

The request of David Akins, CAO, to grant approval for an employee in the Revenue Department (Ginger Lindsey) to receive catastrophic sick leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements under the program guidelines.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner 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 approve the New Pay Scale, which will round to 2 decimals instead of 4, effective June 30, 2019. A copy of the New Pay Scale has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 058.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer: absent.
County Engineer: No Report.
County Attorney: No Report.
Other: No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS: None.

Commissioner Inzer said he was glad to see all the students representing the Sheriff's Student Leadership class at the meeting.

Commissioner Grant congratulated the students that were chosen to participate in the Student Leadership Program. He said the program had been around for a long time and he had four nephews that had been through it. At one time, they slept in travel trailers behind the jail (and Kelley McGinnis added that the first time they actually stayed in the jail).

Commissioner Washington thanked everyone for coming and said he didn't know much about the Student Leadership Program.

Commissioner Payne said success is a 5 letter word ('start'). He thanked everyone for coming and taking time out of their schedule to attend the meeting and he said the students should do all they could to make themselves more educable. Also the program helps them gain knowledge of right from wrong.

Commissioner Ramsey thanked the Gadsden Etowah Patriots Association for the fireworks show they do every year. He also thanked the employees that donate their time to the workers that are approved for catastrophic leave. He thanked the people that run the Student Leadership Program and looks forward to them learning about what's going on. He said a lot of the decisions announced in the Commission Meeting are decided before the actual meeting so the meeting will be successful.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Grant seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Joey Statum, President, Commissioner, District 1

Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Jeffery Washington, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6