

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
January 7th, 2020**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 7th Day of January, 2020. Commissioner Statum called the meeting to order at 10:03 am and Commissioner Ramsey 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: The roll was called 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:

Advanced Disposal will have open top containers at four locations between 7:00 am and 12:00 pm for residential cleanup of household trash on **Saturday, February 1st, 2020.** They do not accept tires, batteries, appliances or hazardous waste.

Locations of containers:

Leeth Gap and Sardis Road – across from old County Shop
Intersection of Hwy 278 & Hwy 132
Whorton Bend Volunteer Fire Department
Gaston High School at Hwy 411 North

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS:

After Roll Call Commissioner Statum passed the gavel to Commissioner Washington to serve as the 2020 Commission President.

Commissioner Statum was presented with a Proclamation & Plaque to recognize his service as the 2019 Commission President.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, 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 December 17th, 2019, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for January 7th, 2020.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Online Transfers and Cash Disbursements for December 2019 and the Credit Card Purchases from November 20, 2019 through December 13, 2019, have been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 109.
- D. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let bids for Residential Solid Waste Collection & Disposal.
- E. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let bids for Office Supplies.
- F. To approve the request of Shane Ellison, CAO, to grant William Jonathan Shelton, Heavy Equipment Operator in the Engineering Department, approval to receive catastrophic sick leave donations. This employee has met the eligibility requirements for the “Sick Leave Donation Program”.
- G. To approve the Resolution and Order concerning the possibility of the County’s General Obligation Warrants for 2020 improvements and the possible refinancing of the Series 2014 Warrants and to Engage Frazer Lanier and Bradley Arant as underwriter and bond counsel. A copy of this Resolution and Order has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 110.
- H. To place the name of Denese Ellis in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Accounting Technician effective January 1st, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Sheriff’s Office, at an hourly rate of \$15.36.

- I. To place the name of Darlene Brown in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Part-time Administrative Technician effective January 1st, 2020. This is a replacement of a previous full-time position to be paid from the General Fund, Sheriff's Office, at an hourly rate of \$10.87. This position is part-time up to 29 hours.
- J. To place the name of Bridgett Norman in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective January 13th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- K. To place the name of Travis Pointer in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective January 6th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- L. To place the name of Jason Smith in the Sheriff's Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective January 6th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- M. To approve the request of Lori Howell, Animal Control Director, to hire Samantha Kidd as the Adoptions Coordinator, effective January 13, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Animal Shelter, at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- N. To approve the request of Lori Howell, Animal Control Director, to hire Brittany King as Kennel Technician, effective January 13, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Animal Shelter, at an hourly rate of \$10.87.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 authorize an Executive Session to discuss business and commerce after a roll call vote to approve the session. The meeting will include the Commissioners, Chief Administrative Officer, Deputy Administrator/CFO, Economic Development Director, and the County Attorney. District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 –yes; District 6 – yes. The County Attorney has determined these meetings are certified under the open meetings law. The Commissioners dismissed at 10:20am.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020.

Upon motion of Commissioner 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 reconvene from Executive Session at 10:50 am. The Commissioners that returned were Joey Statum, Johnny Grant, Jeffery Washington, and Craig Inzer. Commissioners Payne and Ramsey had to leave at the end of the Executive Session to go to a meeting in Montgomery concerning an environmental issue affecting their Districts.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020.

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

A motion was made to approve a contribution document, and documents related to the contribution document, discussed in the executive session subject to approval by the County Attorney and that the document thereafter be released for publication. After the document is released a copy will be filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 111.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

- Chief Administrative Officer:** No Report.
- County Engineer:** No Report.
- County Attorney:** No Report.
- Other:** No Report.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Inzer thanked Commissioner Statum for his year as Commission President and wished the new President (Commissioner Washington) good luck. He also thanked Mr. Whorton and Lee and said he felt they were all on the right track.

Commissioner Grant congratulated Commissioner Washington and thanked Commissioner Statum saying we got a lot accomplished over the last year.

Commissioner Washington thanked Commissioner Statum for his hard work and said he looked forward to working with everyone over the next year as President.

Commissioner Statum said he appreciated everyone that came to the meeting and felt the Commissioners worked as a team to Accomplish' all they were able to in 2019.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Statum seconded by Commissioner Inzer, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

Tim Ramsey, Commissioner, District 4

Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

Jeffery Washington, President, Commissioner, District 5

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6