MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
March 10th, 2020

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 10th Day of March, 2020. Commissioner Washington called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and Jamie Grant, 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 2 – Johnny Grant
District 3 – Larry V. Payne
District 4 – Tim Ramsey
District 5 – Jeffery Washington
District 6 – Craig Inzer

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Statum, 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 February 18th, 2020, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.


C. Reported Financial Transactions. The Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for February, 2020, have been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 117.

D. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2019-2020-08 Traffic Stripe & Pavement Markers to Ozark Striping Company, Inc., the only bidder. This bid was reviewed and considered in line with typical pricing by Robert Nall, Assistant County Engineer.

E. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2019-2020-07 Bituminous Surface Treatment to Charles E. Watts, Inc, the only bidder. This bid was reviewed and considered in line with typical pricing by Robert Nall, Assistant County Engineer.

F. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to let bids for Miscellaneous Tax Forms – Revenue Commissioner.

G. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2019-2020-06 In-Place Plant Mix to both Wiregrass Construction and McCartney Construction. The bid states that more than one bidder can be awarded and these two bidders offer the lowest responsible pricing.

H. To approve the request of Melissa Lett, Purchasing Accountant, to award Bid No. FY 2019-2020-12 Unfinished Traffic Signs & Posts to Traffic Signs, Inc., the lowest bidder.

I. To declare the following vehicles as surplus as requested by Etowah County Sheriff, Jonathon Horton:

- 1-2008 Chevrolet Trailblazer, VIN# 1GNDT13S882172277
- 1-2009 Chevrolet Trailblazer, VIN# 1GNDT33S92110701

J. To approve all Agreements and Resolution between RSVP of Etowah County, The State of Alabama and the Federal Transit Administration regarding the Fiscal Year 2020 Section 5310 Program Grant, approving the purchase of a modified van with wheelchair lift. Also, to authorize the RSVP Director and the Chief Administrative Officer to execute all documents. A copy of this document has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 118.

K. To approve the Diversified Computer Services agreement to provide 22 Global Positioning Services & Tracking Devices for 36 months at a monthly cost of $20 each, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the document. A copy of this agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 119.
L. To support the Etowah County Sheriff, and his office, in their efforts to keep our citizens safe with a Resolution denouncing proposed House Bill 39 and Senate Bill 47 and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. We oppose any legislation that weakens the Etowah County Sheriff’s ability to provide for the safety and welfare of all Etowah County citizens. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 120.

M. To approve the County Levies for Alcohol Licensing for FY 2020-2021 and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the document. The fees did not change from last year. A copy of the Alcohol Levies has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 121.

N. To place the name of Kristopher Hood, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Full-time Detention Deputy effective March 2nd, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of $12.60.

O. To place the name of Regina Benzel, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective March 2nd, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of $12.60.

P. To place the name of Chris Davis, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective March 9th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of $12.60.

Q. To place the name of Kyler Svenson, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective March 9th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of $12.60.

R. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Tiffany Elliott to Real Property Appraiser II, effective March 10th, 2020. This is a promotion to be paid from the Reappraisal Fund, Reappraisal Maintenance at an hourly rate of $16.14.

S. To approve the request of the Board of Registrars, to hire Erin Knowles as a temporary Board Member to cover the position during a leave of absence of an employee and to assist with Federal Election year work-load. This is effective March 10, 2020 and will be paid out of the General Fund, Board of Registrars, at an hourly rate of $10.34 (up to the maximum of 314 hours).


OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Inzer, 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 Resolution regarding ‘Infectious Diseases Guidance for Etowah County Employees to help prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases’. A copy of this Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 122.


Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, seconded by Commissioner Inzer, 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 ‘Letter of Support’ regarding the grant application for construction of a northbound bridge on Alabama Highway 77 crossing the Coosa River. A copy of this document has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 123.


Upon motion of Commissioner Inzer, 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 First Reading to appoint Katie Browning and Johnny Grant to the Board of Directors of Greater Etowah (310 Board) for four year terms.


Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 authorize an Executive Session to discuss business and commerce after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session. The County Attorney certified this Executive Session as meeting the criteria and those in attendance will include: all Commissioners, County Attorney, CAO, and Economic Development Director. The Commission went into Executive Session at 10:07 am. District 1 – yes; District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes.

Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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 reconvene from Executive Session at 11:40 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF MARCH, 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:** None.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Payne seconded by Commissioner Statum, with all other members voting “yes”, the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 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