

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA
March 17th, 2020**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 17th Day of March, 2020. Commissioner Washington called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and Johnny 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 5 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 6 – Craig Inzer

Absent: Larry V. Payne – District 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, 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 March 10th, 2020, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for March 17th, 2020.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions.
- D. To place the name of Kiara Perry, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective March 23rd, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- E. To place the name of Jacob Parks, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Detention Deputy effective March 23rd, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$12.60.
- F. To place the name of Billie Jo Lovett, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Administrative Technician effective March 12th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the Sheriff’s Office, General Fund, at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- G. To place the name of David Farley, in the Sheriff’s Office job slot of Temporary Sergeant-Detention effective March 18th, 2020, due to an employee on FMLA. This is a temporary replacement to be paid from the Jail Fund, at an hourly rate of \$13.92.
- H. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to transfer Rachel Wood to Revenue Collection Clerk, effective March 17th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- I. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan, Revenue Commissioner, to hire Bonnie Yarnell as Revenue Assessment Clerk, effective March 17th, 2020. This is a replacement to be paid from the General Fund, Revenue at an hourly rate of \$10.87.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Commissioner Statum, 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 have the Final Reading and Approval to appoint Katie Browning and Johnny Grant to the Board of Directors of Greater Etowah (310 Board) for four year terms. (Johnny Grant, District 2 Commissioner, abstained from voting on this item.)

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

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:

To designate the following organizations/events serve a public purpose and are qualified to receive public funds:

- a. Gadsden Etowah Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 2
- b. Neely Henry Lake Association

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

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:

The Resolution ‘State of Health Emergency Declared for Etowah County’ and to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of the Resolution has been filed in Attachment Book 11, Page 12.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

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:

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 10:05 am. District 1- yes; District 2 – yes; District 4 – yes; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:

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

Information: A copy of the Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency has been filed in Attachment Book 10, Page 124. This Proclamation was signed and approved on February 26th, 2020 and declares the Existence of a Local Emergency due to excessive and continual storm systems which have affected Etowah County and caused flood conditions.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS: None.

ADJOURN: The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Grant, 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

ABSENT

Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

Craig Inzer, Jr., Commissioner, District 6

