

STATE OF ALABAMA §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 9:00 a.m. on the 11th day of February, 2008. The meeting was called to order by Probate Judge, Dewey D. Mitchell, who acted as Chairman. Upon roll call the following members answered present:

Dewey D. Mitchell	Judge of Probate, Ex-Officio, Chairman Lauderdale County Commission
William Smith	Commissioner, District 1
D.C. Thornton	Commissioner, District 1
Ronnie L. Brown	Commissioner, District 2
Larry Irons	Commissioner, District 2

Legal Counsel:

Christopher A. Smith	County Attorney
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Dewey D. Mitchell, Chairman, upon declaration of a quorum being present, opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Larry Irons.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that all items listed on the agenda be approved for immediate consideration. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that the minutes of the last regular meeting be approved for recording. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that the tax levy for the fiscal year 2007-2008 be approved and authorized for distribution to the License Commissioner and the Revenue Commissioner. The levy reflects 28.5 mills total tax with 10.5 mills being general taxes and 18.0 mills being education taxes. There is no change in the levy from last year. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Tax levy is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons that a resolution be adopted approving the plat for the Reeves Subdivision. The County Engineer has reviewed the plat and has recommended its approval. Following a brief discussion and upon a vote taken motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

corresponding budget amendment in the 2008 EMA operating budget at the appropriate time. The grant agreement for the project is in the amount of \$15,062.00 and is for the purchase and distribution of 100 NOAA weather radios. The radios will be placed into public buildings throughout Lauderdale County. The grant provides \$11,808.00 in Federal Funding and requires \$3,254.00 in local matching funds. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that out of state travel be approved for Commissioner Brown, who will be traveling to Washington D.C. on the dates of February 26-28. Commissioner Brown will travel with NACOLG administrative personnel and other local officials, taking the Shoals area's funding priorities to the Congressional representatives. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that an appropriation equal to that of last year, \$125.00, be made to the Alabama National Fair and Agricultural Exposition. Last year Lauderdale County residents won \$600.00 in premiums and prizes in the Agricultural Expo. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for the February printing needs, Bid No. LA-2008-1, "Various Printing Jobs". Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on February 8 and a bid tabulation sheet was prepared for Commission review. Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that the bids be awarded to Printers and Stationers as the low bidder on each job as shown on the tabulation. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. The bid tabulation is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that a proposal from C&H Cooling and Heating for installation of actuators on chiller condenser at the Courthouse be accepted and an agreement be authorized in the amount of \$4,200.00. The problem was discovered during a recent inspection of the chiller while in alarm mode. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Chairman Mitchell introduced a resolution for consideration by the Commission which would establish a service area for the emergency medical transportation bid and authorize the bidding of the service. Chairman Mitchell stated that this matter had been discussed for months with EMS providers and citizens and municipalities. He further stated that the time has come for the Commission to take action on the matter in order to provide the best service to all citizens of the County.

Commissioner Smith thanked all the volunteers who have and are still working to provide service to the citizens in the East end of the County. He stated that their work is greatly appreciated and asked them to remain involved in their respective communities.

There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Invoiced bills were audited, allowed and ordered paid upon a motion made by Commissioner Irons and seconded by Commissioner Thornton. Following a brief discussion of the bills and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Ronnie Ayers of Center Star addressed the Commission, thanking them for their consideration of the Killen-Center Star area in allowing the volunteer unit to remain active.

David Charles, Center Star Fire and Rescue, thanked the Commission for giving consideration to the Killen-Center Star area and expressed his concern as to whether or not Killen will be asked to act as a secondary responder to the primary paid service and if the CAD system can be used to dispatch.

Coy Middlebrooks, Anderson Rescue, presented a petition containing 1143 signatures to keep the volunteer service. Mr. Middlebrooks stated that he had worked hard to take care of the community and it doesn't seem right to replace volunteers with a paid service.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, and upon a motion made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Irons, the meeting was adjourned until the next regular meeting or subject to call.

CHECKS ISSUED JANAURY 28, 2008 THROUGH FEBRUARY 10, 2008

GENERAL FUND	399,267.13
CHECK # 36528-36576	
GASOLINE TAX FUND	144,393.05
CHECK # 12680-12690	
SOLID WASTE FUND	68,585.54
CHECK # 3437-3445	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND	279,491.86
CHECK # 25389-25478	
VOID # 25403, 25406-25410, 25414, 25424	
LEPA FUND	3,230.24
CHECK # 5960-5965	
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET	100,000.00
CHECK 303	

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND 154,479.14
CHECK # 1005

GENERAL - SPECIAL 500,000.00
CHECK # 635

TOTAL 1,705,182.31

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ATTEST:

Larry Irons, Commissioner
District 2

Administrator