

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 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008. The meeting was called to order by the Judge of Probate who acted as Chairman. Upon roll call the following members answered present:

Dewey D. Mitchell Chairman	Judge of Probate, Ex-Officio
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Lauderdale County

Commission

D.C. Thornton

Commissioner, District 1

William Smith

Commissioner, District 1

Ronnie L. Brown

Commissioner, District 2

Larry Irons

Commissioner, District 2

Legal Counsel:

Christopher A. Smith

County Attorney

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 Ronnie L. Brown.

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

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton 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 Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that a resolution be adopted declaring vehicles and equipment as surplus and authorizing a sale by auction to be held on November 21, 2008. Holland Realty and Auction will hold the sale at the Lauderdale County Road Department. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and surplus listing are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for the "Sale of Timber", Bid No. LA-2009-2. Bids were received, publicly opened and read aloud on October 16, 2008. Bids were received from five vendors and bid tabulations were compiled for Commission review. Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that the bid be awarded to Falling Oaks Timber, Inc. in the amount of \$105,651.00. Following a brief discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Tabulation is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that an ad in the NCAA Division II Football Championship Game Program Book be authorized and paid from Tourism Funds. Cost of the ad is \$720.00. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that an ad be purchased in the East Lauderdale News recognizing Lauderdale County cattlemen during the Beef Month promotion by the newspaper. Cost of the ad is approximately \$250.00 and will be paid from the Tourism Fund. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted approving the written job description of "Assistant Supervisor" in the Solid Waste Department. The position shall be placed on Grade 6 of the classification chart and shall be filled from existing employees. There are no approved new hires in connection with this position. Following a brief discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution, job description and amended classification chart are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that Charles P. (Chip) Kasmeier be appointee to the non-elected NACOLG Board of Directors for a one year period to begin immediately and expire September 30, 2009 or whenever a successor is appointed. Mr. Kasmeier will fill the vacancy left by the expiration of the term of Mr. Lendon Brown who did not seek reappointment due to other obligations. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons that a resolution be adopted accepting a 2009 RAP Grant in the amount of \$12,000.00 on behalf of the Family Court of Lauderdale County. The grant will be administered by the Family Court; however, actual financial accounting will be provided by the Commission staff. Following

a brief discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and notice of grant award are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that a proposal from Irons Electric for electrical upgrades in the Old Red Cross Building be accepted. The proposal is a “not to exceed” price of \$11,725. The actual work necessary to the completion of the project will be determined as they work through the building. Chairman Mitchell asked that the Commission be kept apprised of the progress. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion was approved. Commissioner Irons abstained from voting due to a family connection with the vendor.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that a resolution be adopted accepting three homeland security grants; Citizen Corp (8CCL) in the amount of \$20,000.00; Homeland Security funds (8SHL) in the amount of \$31,134.03 and Law Enforcement Grant Funds (8LEL) in the amount of \$60,000.00. Grant expiration date for all grants is June 30, 2010. Budget amendments necessary to the administration of the grants are approved. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and grant agreements are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton commended the EMA Director, George Grabryan for his aggressive pursuit of grant funds for Lauderdale County. Other Commission members agreed.

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

Commissioner Smith stated that he appreciated the opportunity of serving as a County Commissioner and hoped to be re-elected to a full term on November 4.

Commissioner Irons spoke to Commissioner Ronnie Brown saying that he had enjoyed working in District 2 with him and that he will be missed.

Commissioner Thornton stated that it had been a pleasure and an honor to work with Commissioner Brown.

Commissioner Brown, in his final regular meeting, said he had enjoyed every moment of service on the Commission. He felt Lauderdale was the best county in the State and he thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve for twelve years.

Chairman Mitchell, while finding it hard to believe that twelve years had passed, thanked Commissioner Brown for being conscientious in his service to the citizens of this county further stating that they had weathered many good times and hard times together during the last twelve years.

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 subject to call.

CHECKS ISSUED OCTOBER 14, 2008 THROUGH OCTOBER 26, 2008

GENERAL FUND	907,498.72
CHECK # 37826-37895	
VOID # 37843, 37844	
GASOLINE TAX FUND	141,255.70
CHECK # 12993-13006	
SOLID WASTE FUND	159,550.96
CHECK # 3694-3711	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND	102,611.96
CHECK # 26583-26624	
LEPA FUND	3,094.02
CHECK # 6103-6109	
REAPPRAISAL FUND	18,997.99
CHECK # 8496-8506	
RSVP FUND	3,120.93
CHECK # 15140-15146	
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND	407.85
CHECK # 2881-2884	
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	10,000.00
CHECK # 180	
FIRE PROTECTION FUND	73,679.90
CHECK # 3193-3206	
TOURISM, REC. & CONV. FUND	25,500.00
CHECK # 332-334	

SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 161	13,512.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 4183-4194	607,429.35
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1062-1064 VOID # 1062	2,446.46
GENERAL - SPECIAL CHECK # 650	750,000.00
TOTAL	2,819,105.84

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ATTEST:

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Administrator