

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 14th day of May, 2007. The meeting was called to order by the Judge of Probate who acted as Chairman. Upon roll call the following members declared present:

Dewey D. Mitchell	Judge of Probate, Ex-Officio Chairman 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
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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 William Smith.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted honoring Corporal James Tyler Lindsey who was killed in action in Iraq on April 12, 2007. There being no discussion, a vote was taken and motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Smith moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that a resolution be adopted honoring Officer David Young who was killed in the line of duty as a Florence Police Officer on May 3, 2007. Commissioner Smith informed the Commission of benevolence funds at Listerhill and Redstone Credit Unions established for Officer Young's family. 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 Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that the listed agenda items 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 meeting of the Commission be accepted and approved for recording. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted authorizing the EMA Director to apply for the Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) to receive the Comprehensive Assessment Model Training Course and the Associated Equipment to perform risk assessments using the system. There is no cost associated with this project. Commissioner Smith requested an explanation of the project from EMA Director, George Grabryan. 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 Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that a resolution be adopted authorizing the EMA Director to apply for HMEP funding through the Alabama Emergency Management Agency for:

Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning - \$10,000.00

Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations training materials - \$1,000.00

Hazardous Materials exercise funding - \$10,000.00

Commissioner Smith asked for an explanation of the three grant components from EMA Director, George Grabryan. 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 Brown that the purchase of 8 E-Lert Systems be authorized and approved from Grant 06LET as a budget amendment. The systems are \$15,000.00 each and the total purchase will be \$120,000.00. This purchase will not be bid under the homeland security exemption from the bid law. Commissioner Smith asked for an explanation of the E-Lert System. The EMA Director briefly explained that the system may be taken to a location to observe an incident or weather conditions. Lauderdale County will get one of the systems and the other seven counties in our region will get one each. This grant is 100% reimbursable. A resolution of authorization is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that an agreement with DNA Company be authorized and approved for the cleaning of the plaza areas and sidewalk surrounding the courthouse. The confederate soldier statue will also be cleaned. Two proposals were received for the project, one from DNA Company in the amount of \$3,085.00 and one from Jet Pressure Cleaning in the amount of \$4,440.00. The proposals were reviewed at a worksession. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that a resolution be adopted authorizing the rescheduling of the next regular meeting of the Commission from Monday, May 28 to Tuesday, May 29, 2007 due to the Memorial Day Holiday for which the courthouse will be closed. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Seminars in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee on June 5-7, 2007. The registration fee is \$79.00 each. 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 1979 Cadillac Hearse purchased by the Sheriff from the Civil Process Funds and for the purpose of drug prevention. 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 Smith moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons that a resolution be adopted granting the exemption of county sales and use taxes on purchases covered by Act No. 2006-574 during the first weekend of August, 2007 beginning at 12:00 a.m. on August 3 and ending at 12:00 midnight on Sunday, August 5, 2007. The Lauderdale County Board of Education has provided their written approval for participation in the "Sales Tax Holiday". 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 Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Smith that a resolution be adopted honoring Veterans of the State of Alabama. All qualified veterans who have participated in recent campaigns, **Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and/or Noble Eagle** will be presented a special Liberty Bell medal at the Alabama Sports Festival on Friday, June 29, 2007. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is 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 LA-2007-1 "Various Printing Jobs". Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on May 11, 2007. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for Commission review. Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown that the bids be awarded to the three low bidders for the printing. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid tabulation is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

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 and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Earnest Haygood, a member of the Tourism Board, addressed the Commission regarding meetings being held by the Tourism Board in various locations in the County in an attempt to learn the needs of each community or area. He stated that the board was trying to promote all of Lauderdale County.

Mr. Charles Harlan requested a status report from the Commission regarding the ½ cent sales tax proposal. Chairman Mitchell stated that the proposal is now in the form of proposed legislation and has not passed due to the stalemate in the Senate. Mr. Harlan went on to suggest that

GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 12366-12389	392,949.44
RSVP FUND CHECK # 14627-14642	8,092.12
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 8024-8044	33,199.20
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 3161-3182	123,788.12
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 24187-24293 VOID # 24187-89, 24194, 24195, 24202, 24208- 24211, 24215, 24226, 24238	266,714.45
LEPA FUND CHECK # 5810-5823	6,198.59
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 444 & 445	221,871.75
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 2678-2680	8,557.90
PUBLIC HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC FUND CHECK # 390 & 391	44,514.75
GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 617	500,000.00
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 2766	193.34
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 3964-3975	345,939.20
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMP. FUND CHECK # 146 & 147	74,043.44
TOTAL	2,533,565.74

Ronnie L. Brown, Commissioner
District 2

ATTEST:

Larry Irons, Commissioner
District 2

Administrator