

STATE OF ALABAMA §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 1:00 p.m. on the 15th day of April, 2014. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Lauderdale Commission, Dewey D. Mitchell. Upon roll call, the following members answered present:

Dewey D. Mitchell	Chairman of Commission
Roger Garner	Commissioner, District 1
D.C. Thornton	Commissioner, District 1
Fay Parker	Commissioner, District 2
Larry Irons	Commissioner, District 2

Legal Counsel:

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

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Larry Irons.

Public Comment on agenda items: None:

Awards and Presentations: None

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that all items listed on the regular business agenda be approved for immediate consideration. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Agenda is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

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

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted authorizing a change in the Lauderdale County Commission Meeting from April 14, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to April 15, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. to correspond with the Lauderdale County School

Systems Government Day. The second meeting change is from April 28, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. to April 29, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. due to a State declared holiday, Confederate Memorial Day. 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 Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted authorizing the Lauderdale County Commission to enter into a contract for preliminary engineering services with Christy Cobb, Consulting Engineers of Birmingham, Alabama for a fixed fee of \$115,000.00. This contract is for Project Number LCP 39-152-13, Bridge Replacement and approaches on County Road 61 over Butler Creek. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and contract is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner that a resolution be adopted to purchase a one half page ad in the Explore the Shoals Magazine in the amount of \$774.00 to be paid from the tourism fund. There being no 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 Irons that a resolution be adopted using the one year option to renew the joint City of Florence and Lauderdale County Commission service contract with Shoals Ambulance Service. This is the first of two one year renewals that can be optioned per the original ambulance agreement that was signed in 2013. Commissioner Thornton stated that with Lauderdale County's current ambulance contract, out of the 11,400 calls that were answered last year, the county had only four complaints. Commissioner Thornton also stated that this was a .0003 percent of the calls, and he was pleased with the equipment and personnel of Shoals Ambulance Service. Commissioner Irons stated that the Shoals Ambulance Service had answered 2400 more calls than our previous ambulance service in the last year and with only four complaints which have been investigated by the State. Commissioner Irons also stated that Shoals Ambulance Service was doing a good job and that Lauderdale County should extend the contract for one more year, and hopefully four complaints could go down to zero next year. Chairman Mitchell stated that this ambulance contract with Shoals Ambulance Service was a joint contract with the City of Florence and that both parties have to agree to renew the contract. 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 Garner that a resolution be adopted to authorize a grant agreement between the Lauderdale County Commission and the State of Alabama for grant number HMG DR (1971-733) along with Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$27,500.00. This grant is an eighty-twenty match grant with the federal amount funded being \$20,625.00 and the county match amount being \$6,875.00. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and grant agreement are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to approve the reappointment of Scott Haataja to the Florence Industrial Development Board. His reappointment will begin on April 5, 2014 and expire on April 5, 2020. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Reappointment 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 Bid No. LA-2014-3, "Passenger Elevator Upgrade". Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on February 14, 2014. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for Commissioners review. Chairman Mitchell stated that there was only one bidder for this bid, that being Bagby Elevator Company of Birmingham, Alabama. This bid is for the remodel of the interior two cabs. Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to accept the only bid of Bagby Elevator in the amount of \$25,000.00 to remodel the interior elevator cabs. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid tabulation and contract 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 Bid No. LA-2014-1, "Various Printing Jobs". Bid responses were received, publicly opened and read aloud on April 11, 2014. A bid tabulation was prepared for Commissioners review. Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that the bid be awarded to the low bidder in each job category, Printers and Stationers. There being no 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 Parker. There being no discussion of the invoices and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED MARCH 24, 2014 THROUGH APRIL 14, 2014

GENERAL - SPECIAL CHECK # 47618-47842 VOID # 47824	983,716.98
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 15187-15215	559,342.77
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 5710-5739	671,213.58
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 10161-10182 VOID # 10161	42,654.07
RSVP FUND CHECK # 16318-16331	6,293.19
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK # 34716-34805 VOID # 34724, 34729 – 34733	211,625.24
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7182-7195	8,080.03
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3286 & 3287	382.22
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # 535	100,000.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1083	394,763.56
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND CHECK # 280	74,548.60
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1168	1,819.25
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 224	12,231.04

TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 2901	11,205.00
TVA TAX FUND 5050-5062	464,495.74
TOTAL	3,542,371.27

Scheduled Public Comment: None

Staff Reports:

Ken Allamel, Lauderdale County Engineer, stated that he had just received a letter from the Alabama Department of Transportation concerning a resurfacing project, Number STPNU-3914(250), LCP 39-145-12. The letter stated that the Alabama Department of Transportation had awarded the project to Joe Keenum Excavation & Construction, Inc. of Muscle Shoals, Alabama. Mr. Allamel stated that the letter contained an invoice in the amount of \$150,465.22 for the Lauderdale County's twenty percent match of the project and that the money had to be in Montgomery by April 30, 2014 or the project would be cancelled. Due to the limited time, Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that the contract with the Alabama Department of Transportation be accepted and the money be sent forthwith. Chairman Mitchell asked Mr. Allamel what were the costs of the project. Mr. Allamel stated that cost of the project was \$752,326.11 with the Federal fund cost at \$601,860.89 which leaves the Lauderdale County Commission cost as being \$150,465.22. Commissioner Irons stated that this project would give the county 6 or 7 more miles of resurfacing. Chris Smith, Lauderdale County Commission's Attorney stated that in Section IV, Section E in Rules of Procedures that the County commission may, by majority vote of those members in attendance at the meeting take action on any items contained in the report of the staff members. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Letter from the State of Alabama Department of Transportation along with invoice are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Public comments:

Chairman Mitchell asked if any of our students from the Lauderdale County Government Day had any questions. No questions were asked at this time. Chairman Mitchell then introduced

all the County Commissioners and department staff members that were in attendance at the meeting. Chairman Mitchell stated that it is a privilege to have the students from the various schools to come and be a part of Government Day. Chairman Mitchell then asked each of the students to stand and state their name and school.

1. Nikki Scott---Rogers High School
2. Bethany Green---Rogers High School
3. Jacob Haney---Rogers High School
4. Cory Vandiver--- Rogers High School
5. Latham Thompson---Rogers High School
6. Caitlyn Baker---Brooks High School
7. Holden Corum--- Brooks High School
8. Avery Bayes--- Lauderdale County High School
9. Caid Cornelius---Lauderdale County High School
10. Maggie Killen---Lexington High School
11. Haileigh Davis---Lexington High School
12. Haley Warren--- Waterloo High School
13. Bradley Darby--- Waterloo High School
14. Adam Holt---Central High School
15. Chloe Allen---Central High School
16. Ashton Givens--- Wilson High School
17. Tiffany Lane--- Wilson High School

Commissioner Thornton stated that he hoped that students have enjoyed their day at the county courthouse and that the County Commission does have work sessions before the regular commission meetings to discuss and put the meeting in order. Commissioner Irons said he was proud to have the schools in district 2 being represented on government day, Wilson, Central, and Waterloo High Schools. Commissioner Irons also stated that the students needed to register to vote while they were in the Court House. Commissioner Parker stated that he wanted to thank the students that had come to the court house and that he worked for the Lauderdale County Board of Education and he was sure that some of the students had rode to school in a bus which he oversees for the School Board. Commissioner Garner stated that he wanted to welcome all the students also and he was glad to be a part of the Government Day experience. Chairman Mitchell stated that the

first election, the primary election, would be June 3rd, 2014 and then the regular election would be in November of this year. Chairman Mitchell stated that the County Commissioners serve at the pleasure of the citizens of Lauderdale County and the Lauderdale County Commission tries to remember this.

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

Dewey D. Mitchell, Chairman
Lauderdale County Commission

Roger Garner, Commissioner
District 1

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District 1

Fay Parker, Commissioner
District 2

ATTEST:

Larry Irons, Commissioner
District 2

Administrator