

STATE OF ALABAMA §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 11:00 a.m. on the 29<sup>th</sup> 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 Roger Garner.

Public Comment on agenda items: None

Awards and Presentations:

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to adopt a resolution that shows the Lauderdale County Commission appreciation for Lee Ann Wigginton, who is a paramedic that works for Shoals Ambulance Service and her excellent skills as a paramedic to save the life of a citizen of Lauderdale County. Ms. Wigginton was also awarded the prestigious Star of Life Award in Washington D.C. from the American Ambulance Association in March of this year. Commissioner Irons stated that he was proud to have paramedics like Ms. Wigginton and he was proud she was a part of our team. Commissioner Parker stated that he was glad that we had folks like Ms. Wigginton and that Ms. Wigginton had done a great job. Commissioner Thornton stated that he had a lot of respect for the job that Ms. Wigginton had done and she had saved a life. Commissioner Garner stated that he wished to express his thanks along with the other commissioners for the great job Ms. Wigginton had done. Chairman Mitchell stated that the profession of first responders and the calls that they handle go without thanks and they do not get the recognition they deserve, but that Ms. Wigginton had done an outstanding job. 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 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 Thornton that a resolution be adopted pursuant to Act No. 2014-267 of the 2014 regular session of the Alabama State Legislature authorizing the Lauderdale County Commission to form a public corporation known as the Florence/Lauderdale Tourism Board. Chairman Mitchell recognized Chris Smith, Lauderdale

County Attorney. Mr. Smith stated that the following provisions were followed to incorporate the Tourism Board, and that the Florence City Council had already passed their resolution. Mr. Smith read the resolution and after which Chairman Mitchell asked if there were any questions. Commissioner Irons stated that the biggest change to the board was that they would be able to borrow money and that any future dissolution of the board would be dictated by Section 12 of the new Act No. 2014-267. Chris Smith, County Attorney, stated that the State Legislature could amend or take dissolution action in the future. Mr. Smith stated that this new act gives the board members the protection from fear of being sued. Commissioner Parker stated that the City of Florence along with the County Commission are appointing the same board members that were on the previous board. Chris Smith stated that this new board would have more flexibility and be more solvent. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner that a resolution be adopted to appoint two board members to the Florence/County Tourism Board. The Lauderdale County Commission hereby appoints Alex Nelson and Kelly Gaputis to the Board of Directors for the term of eighteen months from the date of adoption of this resolution. The Lauderdale County Commission hereby also appoints Kelly Kelley as a member of the Board of Directors for the joint appointment between the City of Florence and the Lauderdale County Commission for the term of forty two months. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. The two Resolutions and the Alabama State Act No. 2014-267 are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted that authorizes the Absentee Election Manager to appoint two Absentee Election Clerks for the June 3, 2014 Primary Election and the July 15, 2014 Run-off Election if necessary, at a rate of \$11.00 per hour to be paid by the Lauderdale County Commission upon receipt of proper billing and documentation. There being no 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 to renew the annual contract for maintaining the alarm equipment on the EMA Field Building at a cost of \$342.00 payable to Certified Alarm Company. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution 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 Parker and seconded by Commissioner Thornton. There being no discussion of the invoices and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED APRIL 15, 2014 THROUGH APRIL 28, 2014

GENERAL - SPECIAL CHECK # 47843-47883	410,062.84
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 15216-15228	310,091.85
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 5740-5751	146,971.49
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 10183-10193	30,532.57
RSVP FUND CHECK # 16332-16338	2,506.87

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK # 34806-34837	90,485.47
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7196-7202	5,036.11
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3288 & 3289	393.14
TOURISM, RECREATION & CONV. FUND CHECK # 407	400.00
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # 3959-3972	11,176.06
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 5063-5075	464,495.74
TOTAL	1,472,152.14

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

Public Comment Period: None

There being no further business 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.

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Dewey D. Mitchell, Chairman  
Lauderdale County Commission

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District 2

ATTEST:

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Larry Irons, Commissioner  
District 2

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Administrator