

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 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011. 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	Judge of Probate, Ex-Officio Chairman Lauderdale County Commission
Rhea Tays Fulmer	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 declared a quorum of the Commission to be present and the meeting open for the transaction of business.

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Larry Irons.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that all items on the agenda be approved for immediate consideration during this meeting. 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 Fulmer that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved for recording. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that the following persons be nominated for consideration as appointees to the Board of Equalization for the term beginning October 1, 2011: Patricia Collier, R.L. Behel, and Robert Hendon. During discussion, Hank Thomas, Waterloo, asked if any of the three nominees had a background in real estate.

Chairman Mitchell briefly discussed the qualifications. Upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that a resolution be adopted designating the fourth Monday of September as *Family Day-A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children*. Surveys conducted by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse have consistently shown over the last fifteen years that the more often children eat dinner with families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink and use illegal drugs. 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 received, publicly opened and read aloud for “Emergency Medical Treatment and Transportation Service”, Bid No. LA-2011-10, on June 23, 2011. Bid tabulations were distributed to the Commissioners for their review. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons that a resolution be adopted authorizing the bid contract award for ambulance service in Lauderdale County to Lauderdale EMS subject to and contingent upon the passage of a like resolution by the City of Florence. Commissioner Irons stated that he had received no complaints about Lauderdale EMS in their past performance and stated that they were adding an additional ambulance to the fleet in Lauderdale County and an additional station. He also pointed out that Lauderdale EMS does not charge the county for jail transports. Commissioner Parker also stated that he had zero calls except from citizens commending the service and said he was glad to go back to someone dependable for our county. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and bid tabulation are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were received, publicly opened and read for “Various Printing Jobs”, Bid No. LA-2011-1. Bid tabulations were distributed to Commissioners for their review. Following a brief review of the bid results, Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that the bids be awarded to the vendors as shown on the bid tabulation. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid tabulations are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that a resolution be adopted authorizing an agreement with Dean Balch for the provision of administrative and engineering oversight services for the FEMA Individual Shelter Program. Cost of the agreement is reimbursable under the FEMA provisions and shall not exceed five percent (5%) of approved program costs. There being no further 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, approved 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.

CHECKS ISSUED JULY 25, 2011 THROUGH AUGUST 7, 2011

GENERAL FUND	307,069.74
CHECK # 42840-42904	
VOID # 42900	
GASOLINE TAX FUND	135,910.53
CHECK # 14137-14148	
SOLID WASTE FUND	703,167.85
CHECK # 4734-4745	
REAPPRAISAL FUND	19,786.21
CHECK # 9344-9353	
RSVP FUND	3,239.34
CHECK # 15780-15786	
VOID # 15780	
	722,277.92
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	
CHECK # 30820-30908	
VOID # 30830, 30832, 30835-30840, 30853	
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND	720.25
CHECK # 3065-3069	
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND	615,135.00
CHECK # 538	
LEPA FUND	3,204.65

CHECK # 6651-6657

TOBACCO TAX FUND	8,743.58
CHECK # 2816-2818	

AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	856.50
CHECK # 243	

TOTAL	2,520,111.57
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During staff reports, County Engineer, Ken Allamel, asked the Commission to amend a prior resolution authorizing White, Lynn and Collins to conduct surveying services for FEMA flood elevation certificates for 31 sites. Mr. Allamel said at least seven other sites have been discovered which will require the certifications. Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted amending the number of sites by approximately seven with a cost per tract to be \$250.00. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Hank Thomas, Waterloo, congratulated Commissioner Fulmer for completing the graduate program for Commissioners. He thanked the Administrator and County Attorney for information which had been forwarded to him. He told the Commissioners that Paradise Drive was still in bad condition. He asked the Commission to consider changing the time for holding meetings to make it more convenient for citizens.

Steve Philips also asked the Commission to move meetings to a more suitable time.

Shelley Pettus asked the Commission to change the meeting hours also.

Commissioner Fulmer said she would be in favor of changing the hours but she was not sure how the security issues would be handled. She said she had heard similar requests in the past.

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

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Lauderdale County Commission

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District 2

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Administrator