

STATE OF ALABAMA §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama at 5:00 p.m. on the 8th day of January, 2018. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Lauderdale County Commission, Danny Pettus. Upon roll call, the following members answered present:

Danny Pettus	Chairman
Brad Holmes	Commissioner, District 1
Roger Garner	Commissioner, District 1
Joe Hackworth	Commissioner, District 2
Fay Parker	Commissioner, District 2
Legal Counsel:	
Christopher A. Smith	County Attorney

Chairman Pettus, upon declaration of a quorum being present, opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was delivered by Commissioner Joe Hackworth.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda items: None

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes 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 part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker 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 Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution as requested by Lauderdale County License Commissioner, Rodney Pettus, to change the mailing fee from one dollar per vehicle decal to two dollars per vehicle decal. This fee change is allowed under the Legislative Act No. 79-107, Section 17, and as amended by Legislative Act No. 82-178. The new rate will begin February 1st, 2018. Commissioner Parker stated that the Lauderdale County License Commissioner deemed this increase necessary. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution as requested by Lauderdale County License Commissioner, Rodney Pettus, to change the mailing fee from one dollar per boat decal to two dollars per boat decal. This fee change is allowed under the Legislative Act No. 89-385, Section 1. The new rate will begin February 1st, 2018. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Commission to authorize the transfer of ownership by deed of the land on which the Riverbend building is located on to Riverbend Center of Mental Health and allow Lauderdale County Commission Chairman, Danny Pettus, to execute a deed jointly with the City of Florence on behalf of the Lauderdale County Commission to complete the ownership transfer. The transfer of ownership is contingent upon the City of Florence passing the necessary resolution to show their approval. Commissioner Holmes stated that this transfer of property is due to the move of Regional Care Hospital and that the staff of Riverbend Center of Mental Health is committed to our local citizens. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of the deed are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution to help sponsor the W.C. Handy Festival. The W.C. Handy Festival will be celebrated the week of July 20th, 2018 and will help promote intercultural understanding of the County's long history of music. The donation amount will be five thousand dollars and will be paid out of the Tourism Fund. Commissioner Parker stated that this event helps promote tourism in our

County, brings our communities together, and he is proud to support this event. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution that commends Mr. Troy Allen Calvert for his thirty-five years of service with the Lauderdale County Road Department and expresses their heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Calvert for his dedication to Lauderdale County. Mr. Calvert stated that he only worked for thirty-four years and seven months and that he made of a lot of really good friends during his time working for the Lauderdale County Road Department. Lauderdale County Engineer, Eric Hill, stated that Mr. Calvert was a wonderful employee and that he is honored to know him personally and to have worked with him. Commissioner Hackworth stated that he wants to thank Mr. Calvert for his thirty-four years and seven months of service. Commissioner Parker stated that Mr. Calvert looks too young to retire and thanked him for his years of service to the County. Commissioner Holmes stated that people like Mr. Calvert made this County and he did a great job working for the County. Commissioner Holmes also stated that he wants to thank Mr. Calvert for his service and told him to enjoy his retirement. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Road Department to transfer a 1988 Pitts Lowboy Trailer, Serial Number PE9LB40T31P84076 and County Property Number 11682, to the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department. This transfer of property will help promote better management of County equipment. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Commission to amend the current contract with Shoals Ambulance Service. Shoals Ambulance Service has requested an amendment to extend the maximum age of an ambulance from four years to five years. The Lauderdale County Commission approves the change to the contract however, the contract is a joint contract with the City of Florence and the contract amendment is contingent upon the City of Florence passing the necessary resolution to show their approval of the amendment. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve a resolution that will allow the Lauderdale County Commission to approve the CNS Grant for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program for the year April 1st, 2018 through March 31st, 2019. This is a federal grant in the amount of forty-one thousand eight hundred and seventeen dollars. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of the grant are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. LA 2018-1 "Various Print Bids". Bid responses were received and were publicly read aloud on January 5th, 2018. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissions review. Chairman Pettus asked County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that there was only one bidder which was Printers and Stationers of Florence, Alabama. Ms. Bryant stated that she recommends that Printers and Stationers be awarded the Judge of Probate Court Checks and the Judge of Probate Estate Case Binders. Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to follow the recommendations of Ms. Bryant. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid to be awarded to Printers and Stationers of Florence, Alabama. Bid tabulation sheet is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid No. LA 2018-6 "Instrumentation & Controls for HVAC for the Courthouse". Bid responses were received and were publicly read aloud on December 28th, 2017. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissions review. Chairman Pettus asked County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that there were two bidders, C & H Cooling of Sheffield, Alabama and Johnson Controls, Inc. of Hoover, Alabama. Ms. Bryant stated that Johnson Controls, Inc. provided a bid in the amount of one hundred and ninety-two thousand one hundred and seventy-three dollars which was the lowest bid. Ms. Bryant stated that she recommends that bid be awarded to Johnson Controls, Inc. of Hoover, Alabama. Commissioner Hackworth stated that the company that provided the lowest bid makes the controls and equipment for this bid and that the other bid is thirty-eight thousand dollars higher. Commissioner Hackworth also stated that Johnson Controls, Inc. is a good company and that the new equipment with monitoring controls will save the County money. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid is awarded to Johnson Controls, Inc. of Hoover, Alabama. Bid tabulation sheet is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Lauderdale County License Commissioner, Rodney Pettus, has requested Family Medical Leave for an employee in his department. All proper documentation has been submitted and the dates for the leave are January 8th, 2018 through April 2nd, 2018. Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the leave. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Leave is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Lauderdale County Solid Waste Manager, Robert Bevis, has requested Family Medical Leave for an employee in his department. All proper documentation has been submitted and the dates for the leave are January 8th, 2018 through April 2nd, 2018. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the leave. There being no discussion and upon a

vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Leave is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

The Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department has requested that Richard Richey be allowed to attend the 2018 National Sheriff's Association Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana during the week of June 15th through June 19th, 2018. Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve the out of state travel. There being no discussion and a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Out of state travel is herein approved, recorded, and made part of these minutes.

The Florence-Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency Director, George Grabryan, has requested that Rick Cobb be allowed to attend the FEMA Region IV Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program Work Shop in Hilton Head, South Carolina the week of January 21st through January 26th, 2018 and also attend the National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference in North Renton, Washington the week of April 15th through April 20th, 2018. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve the out of state travel. There being no discussion and a vote taken, motion is unanimously approved. Out of state travel is herein approved, recorded, and made part of these minutes.

The invoiced bills were audited, allowed, and ordered to be paid upon a motion by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Hackworth. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED DECEMBER 11th, 2017 THROUGH JANUARY 7th, 2018

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 52825-52962	\$1,258,932.67
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3621-3623	\$1,371.19
LEPA FUND CHECK # 7914-7928	\$10,084.02
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16570-16605	\$701,747.20
PUBLIC BLDG., R & B SPECIAL CHECK # 449	\$750,000.00
PUBLIC HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00

AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 652	\$112.50
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11230-11247	\$55,703.77
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # 461-463	\$16,296.18
RSVP FUND CHECK # 17036-17050	\$5,467.52
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 7078-7106	\$229,066.93
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 39711-39783	\$298,008.75
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # 4366-4379	\$285,682.88
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1134-1135	\$716,268.94
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 3008-3010	\$13,365.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 5563-5575	\$777,943.84
Total	\$5,120,051.39

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

Public Comment Period: Commissioner Parker stated that the Lauderdale County Commission always likes to go with a local bidder on bids whenever possible but sometimes, it is not possible and there are State regulations that the Commission must abide by. Commissioner Parker also stated that the County Commission always tries to do what is best for Lauderdale County.

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

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION

Danny Pettus, Chairman

Brad Holmes, Commissioner

Roger Garner, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

Fay Parker, Commissioner

Joe Hackworth, Commissioner