

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 26th day of June, 2017. 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 of Commission

Brad Holmes Commissioner, District 1

Roger Garner Commissioner, District 1

Joe Hackworth Commissioner, District 2

Legal Counsel:

Christopher A. Smith County Attorney

Absent:

Fay Parker Commissioner, District 2

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 Brad Holmes.

Awards and Presentations: none

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

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve the Insolvents, Errors, and Taxes in Litigation for 2016 and the Uncollected Insolvents and Taxes in Litigation for Previous Years. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. The final settlement list for Insolvents, Errors, and Taxes in Litigation for 2016 and the Uncollected Insolvents and Taxes in Litigation for Previous Years is herein recorded, attached, and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution at the request of the Lauderdale County Coroner, Andy High. The Lauderdale County Coroner may delegate any of the powers of the Office to one or more deputies who shall then have the same duties with respect thereto as the Coroner and any act of deputy coroner shall be performed in the name of the Coroner. Andy High has requested that Max Williams and Mike Bishop be named deputy coroners and Mr. High is responsible for their salaries. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve a resolution to purchase an ad in the Lauderdale County Living Here 2017 Residents Guide to Life in the Shoals Magazine. The ad will be a full color, one-half page ad at the cost of seven hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty cents which will be paid for out of the Tourism Fund. 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 to assist in funding the 24th Annual Trail of Tears event which will run from September 15th through September 17th, 2017. The Lauderdale County Commission will donate five thousand dollars to the event and the Lauderdale County Road Department will also perform services such as but not limited to road grating and grass mowing to help prepare the roadways for the motorcycle ride and activities. The cost will be paid out of the Tourism Fund. There being no further discussion and upon vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to approve a resolution to amend the current subdivision regulations pursuant to Alabama Law. The said law was amended requiring municipalities within Lauderdale County to take certain steps to exercise extra territorial

jurisdiction in their respective planning jurisdiction. This amendment was done to remove any confusion as to the issue of extra territorial jurisdiction. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and copy of said amendment is herein attached, 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-2017-9, "X-Ray System for Florence-Lauderdale Management Agency". Bid responses were received, publicly opened, and read aloud on Friday, June 16th, 2017. A bid tabulation sheet was prepared for the Commissioners review. Chairman Pettus asked the Florence-Lauderdale County Emergency Management director, George Grabryan, for his recommendation. Mr. Grabryan stated that there were two bidders and that ADS, Inc. of Virginia Beach, Virginia was the lowest bidder. Mr. Grabryan also stated that Commissioner Brad Holmes helped with the writing of the specs for the bid. Commissioner Holmes stated that he would abstain from voting on this bid project due to the fact that he helped prepare the bid specs and was involved in the project with the Emergency Management Agency. Commissioner Holmes also stated that this will not be a Lauderdale County expense because the X-Ray machine will be paid for using Homeland Security grant money. Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve the bid. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, Commissioner Garner voted yea, Commissioner Hackworth voted yea, Commissioner Holmes abstained, motion approved. Bid to be awarded to ADS, Inc. of Virginia Beach, Virginia at a cost of forty nine thousand four hundred and ninety-nine dollars. Bid is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

The invoiced bills were audited, allowed, and ordered to be paid upon a motion by Commissioner Hackworth and seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Commissioner Garner asked the Lauderdale County Engineer, Eric Hill, where the County is on completing the ATRIP projects. Mr. Hill stated that in this fiscal year, we anticipate completing the County Road 61 Project, the County Road 344 Project, and the County Road 92 project. Mr. Hill also stated that the only project left for ATRIP is the County Road 76 Project and that will be done next year. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

CHECKS ISSUED JUNE 12TH, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 25TH, 2017

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK # 52135-52185	\$516,671.02
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3561-3565	\$1,352.60

LEPA FUND CHECK # 7815-7823	\$5,444.96
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 16386-16407	\$387,759.56
PUBLIC BLDG., R & B SPECIAL CHECK # 447	\$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 # N/A	0.00
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 11102-11112	\$32,493.98
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # N/A	0.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK # 448 & 449	\$2,515.00
RSVP FUND CHECK # 16943-16950	\$2,906.69
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1206	\$1,538.41
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 257	\$12,360.21
CDBG FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 6893-6908	\$148,474.46
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK # 39042-39087	\$153,045.19

FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1126	\$316,177.84
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # N/A	0.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 5501-5512	\$385,558.09
TOTAL	\$2,716,298.01

Scheduled Public Hearings: none

Staff Reports: none

Public Comment Period: Frankie Putman, 23671 Highway 20, Waterloo, Alabama, stated that he has been coming to the Lauderdale County Farmers Market for the past 18 years and he has almost always had the same spot but now it's first come –first serve and pay as you go. Mr. Putman stated that in the past, he could pay up in advance and get the same spot. Mr. Putman also stated that he doesn't know what happened but the Farmers Market has gone down in the last three or four years.

Vernon Allison, 1880 County Road 74, Florence, Alabama, stated that he is not happy about the Farmers Market and that a Lauderdale County citizen cannot go over to the Colbert County Farmers Market because they do not let anyone but Colbert County citizens participate in their Farmers Market. Mr. Allison stated that he is not happy about the prices that some of the vendors are charging because he can't compete with them and it creates a hardship for him and other local vendors. Mr. Allison also stated that the Farmers Market has gone down during the last three years and that the Commission should support its local vendors. Commissioner Garner asked Mr. Allison if it's true that the Colbert Farmers Market only allows local vendors to sell and Mr. Allison replied, yes it is true. Commissioner Holmes stated that he wondered if the new markets that have formed such as the one in Killen and the one in downtown Florence has affected our attendance at the Lauderdale County Farmers Market. Mr. Allison stated that Saturday is the

best sales day. Commissioner Holmes asked how many vendors have stopped coming due to out of state vendors and Mr. Allison stated that he is not sure. Commissioner Holmes asked if Lauderdale County has a Farmers Market Board that sets the rules for the Farmers Market. The Lauderdale County Attorney, Chris Smith, stated yes, we do have a board. Chairman Pettus stated that once all of the home inspections are completed, the market will go back to the rules which state you can rent booths for a week at a time but he also stated that price setting is not legal. Mr. Allison stated that he also feels that we open the Farmers Market too early and that we should open later in June. Commissioner Holmes thanked the visitors and welcomes the conversation on the Farmers Market issues.

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

Fay Parker, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

Brenda Bryant, County Administrator