

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 13th day of February, 2012. 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

Absent:

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 Fulmer.

Debbie Wilson and Suzie Shoemaker were at the meeting and presented Selton Killen and Dr. Chris Bishop with appreciation plaques for their years of service with the Tourism Board. Both Mr. Killen and Dr. Bishop had served as the Chairman and were very active members of the Tourism Board. Chairman Mitchell commended both men on their hard work and involvement on the Tourism Board. Commissioner Thornton said they did a good job and would be hard to replace. Commissioner Parker stated that the county certainly did appreciate all the good work they did and thanks to all the staff, everyone had done a good job. Commissioner Irons stated he appreciated the fine job they had done and thanks to everyone. Commissioner Fulmer thanked both for the years of service and stated that Tourism is a big part of our counties business. Dr. Bishop thanked the Commissioners for their trust in them.

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.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were approved for recording upon a motion made by Commissioner Thornton and seconded by Commissioner Parker. 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 tax levy at its regular term of each year. This year's levy includes no changes, with millage rates still at 10.5 for general taxes and 18.0 for educations. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and tax levy are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that a resolution be adopted authorizing the renewal of the annual contract with Certified Alarm Company for maintenance on the equipment at the EMA Field Operations Building for a one year period in the amount of \$342.00. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and agreement are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commission Thornton that a resolution be adopted authorizing EMA to use a grant of \$8,000.00 from the State Homeland Security Program. The grant is to be used for the support of the Regional Communication Vehicle. 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 Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted authorizing the EMA USDOT Preparedness Grant from the Alabama Emergency Management Agency Grant Program in the amount of \$37,000.00. The grant is to be used throughout the county for Emergency Exercises. 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 Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted that amends the budget to reflect the State Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$37,080.00. 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 Fulmer that a resolution be adopted to remove Petroleum Traders Company from the current Bid No. 2012-13, "Gasoline and On Road Diesel Fuel", due to the fact they are unable to sell the County this product without going up on price. Since they can't meet their obligations the bid is therefore awarded to the next lowest bidder, Tatum Oil Company, who assured the County they can meet the bid price they submitted on the sealed bid. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid tabulation sheet is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons to place a one and half page ad in the 24 hour magazine with the Times Daily for a cost of \$1,376.00 with the money coming out of the tourism fund. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that three nominees be submitted to the Governor from the Commission for consideration of the appointment to the Elk River Development Board of Directors. The three names being submitted for this appointment are Mark Johnson, Cory Newton, and Hulon Newton. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that Mr. James Akin be appointed to the Agri-Business Center & Farmers' Market Board of Directors for a three year term to begin immediately and expire November 15, 2014, or whenever a successor is appointed. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that Mr. Mike Vallone be appointed for a three year term on the Northwest Alabama Regional Airport Board to fill the vacancy left by the expiration of the term of Mr. Harold Robbins from Colbert County. Said term is to begin immediately and expire December 2, 2014 or at the time a successor is appointed. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer that Mr. J. Richard Elliot be reappointed upon recommendation of the City of Florence to another three year term on the Northwest Alabama Regional Airport Board. Said term to begin immediately and expire January 2, 2015 or whenever a successor is appointed. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

The invoiced bills were audited, approved and ordered paid upon a motion made by Commissioner Irons and seconded by Commissioner Parker. Following a brief discussion of the bills and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Checks Issued January 23, 20112 Through February 12, 2012

GENERAL -SPECIAL 43708-43775	597,930.67
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 14340-14368	247,038.95
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 4905-4925	160,218.75
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 9497-9518	44,927.44
RSVP FUND CHECK # 15885-15898	4,152.61
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK # 31539-31636 VOID # 31551, 31555-31559, 31632	362,900.63
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3110-3111	335.20
LEPA FUND CHECK # 6748-6762	8,411.47
TOURISM, RECREATION & CONVENTION CHECK # 379	312.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1055	219,584.21
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK # 3702-3716	95,113.20
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1140	1,841.86

CDBG FUND	12,660.50
CHECK # 356-358	
TOBACCO TAX FUND	12,600.00
CHECK # 2828-2830	
TVA TAX FUND	536,883.72
CHECK # 4703-4723	
VOID # 4708-4715	
TOTAL	2,304,911.21

Mr. Hank Thomas, Paradise Drive, Waterloo, Alabama addressed the Commission asking if we hold money back when a company like Petroleum Traders does not fulfill its commitments. Chairman Mitchell replied that we normally don't keep the money from a company we do business with unless there is a financial discrepancy that cost the county money.

Mr. Thomas also gave the Commissioners a letter that he wished to be part of these minutes.

Mr. Thomas then asked when we were going to get our EMA Emergency Plans that were supposed to be finished back in the fall of 2011 and still have not received. George Grabryan stated they were finishing up some EMA Exercises that would be part of the final part of the Plans. Letter is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

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

Dewey D. Mitchell, Chairman
Lauderdale County Commission

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District 2

ATTEST:

Larry Irons, Commissioner
District 2

Administrator