

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 14th day of May, 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

Legal Counsel:

Christopher A. Smith	County Attorney
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Dewey D. Mitchell, Chairman, declared a quorum of the Commission to be present and the meeting open for the transaction of business.

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Irons.

Commissioner Irons moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that all items listed 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 Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted rescheduling the next meeting of the Commission from Monday, May 28, 2012 to Tuesday, May, 29, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. due to the Memorial Day Holiday. There being no discussion and upon a

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

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker that a resolution be adopted to grant exemption of county sales and use tax on purchases covered by Act 206-574, during the first weekend of August, 2012, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on August 3, 2012 and ending at 12:00 midnight on Sunday, August 5, 2012. There being no 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 Fulmer that a resolution be adopted to renew the agreement with the Shoals Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$250.00 dollars. Commissioner Fulmer stated that Steve Holt did a good job with this project. 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 Fulmer that a resolution be adopted authorizing two projects under the Hazard Mitigation Grant for the building of Individual Safe Rooms. Project DR-1971-256 is for sixteen rooms with a federal cost of \$62,297.00 and a non-federal share of \$29,591.00 being paid by the property owner. Project DR-1971-264 is for twenty five rooms with a federal cost of \$104,418.00 and the non-federal share of \$47,897.00 is provided by the property owner. Commissioner Irons stated that at a cost of \$240,000.00 dollars the county did not pay for any of this project, with the property owners paying the non-federally funded part. Commissioner Parker stated that it was terrible weather that brought this program to our area, but he was thankful for the program and thanked George Grabryan, EMA Director, for doing such a good 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 Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton that a resolution be adopted for the Homeland Security Grant 7WAI in the amount of \$63,575.88 to be used for equipment for Lauderdale and seven other counties in our region for interoperable communications. Commissioner Fulmer asked George Grabryan, EMA Director, if the equipment is housed here in Lauderdale County, to which Mr. Grabryan stated that it was all through the counties to help prepare the counties. Commissioner Irons stated that this project was 100% federally funded. 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 Thornton that a resolution be adopted creating a Cemetery Rehabilitation Authority for cataloging, listing, restoration and maintenance of graves throughout Lauderdale County and outside the corporate municipal limits of the City of Florence. Commissioner Irons stated that Lauderdale County would be the first county in the state to create a formal Cemetery Rehabilitation Authority and the board members would have to be respectful of the land owners. Commissioner Parker stated that he wanted to thank Billy Sledge for all the hard work he had done to get the project set up. Commissioner Thornton stated that there are many cemeteries in our county that need attention. Commissioner Fulmer stated that the commissioners will not build roads to the cemeteries, but that the board would have to work with the land owners and have a spirit of cooperation. Chairman Mitchell stated that the commissioners will take a look at the list of names turned into the commission for the Cemetery Board and appoint a five member board that the commission would be in contact with. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and articles for establishing the Cemetery Rehabilitation Authority are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Irons that a resolution be adopted for road striping on County Road 14 from County Road 1 to Alabama Highway 20 and County Road 71 from US Highway 72 to Alabama Highway 101. Chairman Mitchell stated that this was pending resolution. Commissioner Irons stated that there was \$850 million dollars available during the next three years and we need to get our share. He also stated that part of the counties did not have the money available to do the twenty percent match that is required and that we needed to put this money to good use over the next three years. 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 Thornton that a resolution be adopted for the construction of a Bridge Rehabilitation and Guardrail Installation, on County Road 70 over Anderson Creek. Commissioner Thornton asked Ken Allamel, County Engineer, if this would improve the bridge's weight limits. Mr. Allamel stated that it would prevent it from going any lower. 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 Irons that a resolution be adopted to allow Solid Waste to purchase an upgrade to their computer system which includes a printer, in the amount of \$2,600.00, to improve the checks and balances for reporting their revenues to the county. Commissioner Fulmer asked Robert Bevis, Solid Waste Manager, if the computer will be able to print out reports for the Commissioners when the upgrade is installed. Mr. Bevis replied yes. 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 Irons that a resolution be adopted for the revised Personnel Policies and Procedures to include policies for cell phone, seat belt use and a policy for back to work/modified duty. Chairman Mitchell stated the new cell phone policy does not include Civil Service Employees which includes the Sheriff's Department of Deputies. Chairman Mitchell stated that the recorded minutes needed to reflect this exception. Commissioner Irons stated that texting was already passed into law this past month for the State of Alabama. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and policies are herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to approve the ad for East Lauderdale News in the amount of \$990.00 dollars to show several community activities and festivals that are held in Lauderdale County with the money to be paid from the Tourism Fund. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to approve out of state travel for Jesse Davis of the EMA Department to attend the 2012 National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference in St. Paul, Minnesota. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Thornton moved, seconded by Commissioner Fulmer to approve out of state travel for George Grabryan, EMA Director, to attend the FEMA Region IV RECCWG Plenary Session in Atlanta, Georgia. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

In compliance with competitive bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were received, opened and read aloud on May 11, 2012 for Bid No. LA-2012-1, "Various Printing Jobs". Bid responses were received from two vendors and a bid tabulation sheet was prepared for commissions review. Commissioner Fulmer moved, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to award the bid to

Herald Printing and Printers and Stationary as the low bidders for each item. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid tabulation 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 Parker. After a brief discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Checks Issued April 9, 2012 through May 13, 2012

GENERAL -SPECIAL CHECK # 44077-44214	900,456.16
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 14429-14466 VOID # 14461	421,947.59
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK # 4983-5012	219,611.61
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK # 9570-9594 VOID # 9572	86,944.08
RSVP FUND CHECK # 15931-15948	4,563.86
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK # 31905-32018 VOID # 31919, 31922-31925, 32007	1,272,060.90
LEPA FUND CHECK # 6796-6811	8,488.31
PUBLIC BLDG., ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL CHECK # 394-406 VOID # 405	121,590.00
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND CHECK # 267 & 268	52,974.63
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK # 549	15,609.78

TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK # 2837-2839	10,125.00
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK # 1143 & 1144	4,578.80
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK # 3118-3121	318.22
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK # 1057 & 1058	650,311.85
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK # 335	100,000.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK # 4751-4764	536,200.29
SERIES 2001 DEBT SERVICE FUND CHECK # 200 & 201	24,480.00
TOTAL	4,430,261.08

Shelly Pettus, of Killen Alabama, asked when the EMA Plan would be ready. George Grabryan told Ms. Pettus that the public portion of the plan is on the Lauderdale County Website.

There being no further discussion to come before the Commission, it was upon a motion made by Commissioner Irons and seconded by Commissioner Thornton 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