

MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 9, 2015

PRESENT: Chairman Mark S. Culver, Commissioner Curtis Harvey, Commissioner Doug Siquefield, Commissioner Jackie Battles, Commissioner Brandon Shoupe, Gary Sherrer, County Attorney, Barkley Kirkland, County Engineer, and William J. Dempsey, Chief Administrative Officer

ABSENT: None

Chairman Mark S. Culver called the 10:00 A.M. meeting to order, declared a quorum present and welcomed everyone. Rev. Jeffrey Pettus, Youth Pastor, First Freewill Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Commissioner Doug Siquefield led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Commissioner Siquefield seconded; and the motion carried unanimously.

Announcements and Comments from Chairman and Commissioners

Chairman Culver commended Greg Phillips on the outstanding article he wrote in the Dothan Eagle about Commissioner Curtis Harvey.

Regular Agenda

1. Request to appoint Commissioner Brandon Shoupe to the Downtown Group.

Commissioner Siquefield made a motion to appoint Commissioner Brandon Shoupe to The Downtown Group. Commissioner Battles seconded the motion. Chairman Culver called for the question and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Request from the Sheriff's Department to purchase computer software and hardware.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the request from the Sheriff's Department to purchase computer software from Southern Software in the amount of \$212,462.00, and to purchase the hardware from CDWG, a member of the state approved purchasing coop, National Joint Powers Alliance, and an emergency generator for a total cost of \$159,750.62 Commissioner Shoupe seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported this item was discussed at length on Thursday, and representatives from the Sheriff's Department were present to answer any questions. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Battles asked if EMA had a chance to check into the generator as discussed at the Admin meeting? Mr. Carlisle was not present, but Deputy Director, Leigh Adams, stated they had not. (Please see attached letter in Minute Book)

3. Request to approve and adopt Resolution to finance computer software and hardware purchased by the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve and adopt the Resolution to finance the computer software and hardware purchased by the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Shoupe seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported this would not impact this year's budget that much, but it would next year's budget. It was pointed out the interest rate on the financing is 2.02%. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. (Please see attached in Resolution Book)

4. Request from EMA to approve the revised 2014 Emergency operations Plan.

Commissioner Battles made a motion to grant the request from EMA to approve the revised 2014 Emergency Operations Plan. Commissioner Siquefield seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported this request was discussed in length on Thursday, and it is required.

5. Request to approve 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor License for CM Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a CM Restaurant – 3563 Nuclear Plant Road – Columbia, AL 36319.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the request for a 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor License for CM Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a CM Restaurant, 3563 Nuclear Plant Road, Columbia, AL 36319. Commissioner Siquefield seconded the motion. Chairman Culver asked if there was anyone present in

objection to the request? There being none, he called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Request from the Town of Cottonwood to tear down the old restaurant building at 12890 Cottonwood Road.

Commissioner Siquefield made a motion to approve the Town of Cottonwood's request to tear down the old restaurant building at 12890 Cottonwood Road. Commissioner Battles seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported Mayor Ken Hamilton was present, and he asked him to come forward. He reported the question came up on Thursday if the Town of Cottonwood owned the building? Mayor Hamilton reported they did own the building. He stated this project is in an effort to improve the corridor coming into town on Highway 53. The mayor thanked the commission for all of their assistance and support in the past. The chairman asked Engineer Kirkland if there might be anything salvageable out of the building? Mr. Kirkland stated he did not think so. Chairman Culver called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously.

7. Request to approve Agreement between ALDOT and the County to resurface Broad Street/Webb to Kinsey Road from Bethel Road to 0.40 miles north of SR-52. Approximately 5.751 miles.

Commissioner Siquefield made a motion to approve the Agreement between ALDOT and the County to resurface Broad Street/Webb to Kinsey Road from Bethel Road to 0.40 miles north of SR-52, approximately 5.751 miles. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported this is an MPO project. He called for the question; and the motion carried unanimously. (Please see in Resolution Book)

8. Request to approve Agreement between ALDOT and the County to resurface Omussee Road from Webb Road in Dothan to Kinsey Road/Watson Bridge Road. Approximately 1.558 miles.

Commissioner Siquefield made a motion to approve the Agreement between ALDOT and the County to resurface Omussee Road from Webb Road in Dothan to Kinsey Road/Watson Bridge Road, approximately 1.558 miles. Commissioner Shoupe seconded the motion. Chairman Culver reported this is also an MPO project. (Please see in Resolution Book)

9. Request to approve items to be sold on GovDeals.

Commissioner Battles made a motion to approve the items to be sold on GovDeals. Commissioner Siquefield seconded the motion. Mr. Kirkland reported there were 5 garbage trucks to be sold since the county had gone to the automated system. (Please see attached list in Minute Book)

Staff Reports:

Chief Administrative Officer – there was no report

County Engineer -

Mr. Kirkland reported Davis Cherry Road was closed. He pointed out it is a FEMA project and should be completed this week.

County Attorney – there was no report

Adjourn

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Siquefield seconded the motion; and it carried unanimously.