

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION  
ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA  
September 18th, 2018**

The Etowah County Commission met in a regular meeting on the 18th Day of September, 2018. Commissioner Choate called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and Larry Payne led in the Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS:** None.

**CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM:** Karen Bates, County Clerk, called the roll to establish a quorum. The following 4 out of 6 Commission members answered to their names and accordingly and quorum was present:

District 2 – Johnny Grant  
District 3 – Larry V. Payne

District 5 – Carolyn Parker  
District 6 – Tim Choate

Absent: Joey Statum – District 1  
Jeff Overstreet – District 4

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members present voting “yes”, the following resolution was passed and adopted:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following items on the Consent Agenda were approved as presented:

**CONSENT AGENDA:** All items designated as “Consent” are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will be permitted unless a Commissioner so requests. If so, such item(s) will revert to New Business:

- A. That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated September 4th, 2018, of the Etowah County Commission be, and the same are hereby approved as written.
- B. The Proposed Agenda for September 18th, 2018.
- C. Reported Financial Transactions. A copy of the Cash Disbursements and Online Transfers for August of 2018 has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 107.
- D. To approve the request of London Pearce, Etowah County Coroner, to appoint Dantez Robinson as an uncompensated Deputy Coroner.
- E. To place the name of Elizabeth Cone in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 10, 2018. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- F. To place the name of Michael Williamson in the Sheriff’s Department job slot of Detention Deputy, effective September 10, 2018. This is a new hire to be paid by the ICE Fund, at an hourly rate of \$11.99.
- G. To place the name of Michael Bolton in the Sheriff’s Department (Drug Enforcement Unit) job slot of Part-time Evidence Technician, effective September 18, 2018. This is a part-time (up to 29 hours) replacement to be paid by the Drug Enforcement Unit Fund, at an hourly rate of \$16.00.
- H. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to transfer Dionca Wallace to Full-time Revenue Tag & Title Clerk, effective September 18, 2018. This will be paid from the General – Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of \$11.14. It was a combination of Dionca’s former part-time job being combined with another part-time job.
- I. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to hire Jamie Keener as Revenue Collection Clerk effective September 18, 2018. This will be paid from the General-Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of 10.87.
- J. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to hire Glenda Justus as Temporary Revenue Assessing Clerk effective October 1, 2018. This will be paid from the General-Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- K. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to hire Bonnie Yarnell as Temporary Revenue Collections Clerk effective October 1, 2018. This will be paid from the General-Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- L. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to hire Louise Copeland as a Part-time (less than 29 hours) Revenue Collection Clerk effective September 27, 2018. This is a Part-time replacement to be paid from the General – Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of \$10.87.
- M. To approve all SAFE program banks in Etowah County eligible to be designated as a county depository for the next calendar year.
- N. To approve the request of Bobby Junkins, Judge of Probate, to designate BBVA Compass Bank of Gadsden, Alabama, as the Depository for the Operating Funds of the Probate Office for the year beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019.

O. To approve the request of Lee Taylor, Sheriff's Chief of Administrations, to have the following vehicles declared as surplus:

2005 Chevrolet Tahoe	VIN# 1GENK13255R145576
2009 Dodge Charger	VIN# 2B3KA43T39H571270
2010 Dodge Charger	VIN# 2B3AA4CT5AH147878
2007 Dodge Charger	VIN# 2B3KA43H87H845362
2006 Dodge Charger	VIN# 2B3KA43H47H644560
2010 Chevrolet Impala	VIN# 2G1WD5EM8A1174663

P. To approve the 3 year Service Contract with ICS Medtech regarding Breach Management and Alerting and to authorize the CAO to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 108.

Q. To approve the request of Bobby Junkins, Judge of Probate, to change the polling locations Gadsden Convention Hall (1-7) to the Downtown Civic Center located at 623 Broad Street, Gadsden, AL 35901, for the election on November 6, 2018. This is due to the closing of the Gadsden Convention Hall.

R. To approve the Alabama Department of Youth Services, Long Term Detention Subsidy Contract, and to declare the Coosa Valley Youth Services as the Detention Center chosen by the Commission. The Contract provides the County one detention bed, at no charge, for use of the juvenile court of the County. Also to authorize the Commission President to execute the document. A copy of this Agreement has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 105.

S. To approve the Attached Holiday Schedule for 2019. A copy of the approved Holiday Schedule for 2019 has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 106.

T. To adopt the Attendance and Leave Policy that clarifies the Overtime calculation and changes the Vacation Leave and Sick Leave Policy for employees hired on or after October 1, 2018. A copy of this Policy Change has been filed in Attachment Book 9, Page 109.

U. To approve the request of Linda Barrett-Vaughan to hire Rachel Jacobs as a Revenue Tag and Title Clerk effective September 18, 2018. This is a replacement to be paid from the General – Revenue Fund at an hourly rate of \$10.87.

V. To approve the request of Lora Weaver to hire Debra Holcomb as a Part-time (less than 29 hours) Van Driver effective September 21, 2018. This is a Part-time position (one of two part-time positions replacing a full-time position) to be paid from the Rural Transportation Fund at an hourly rate of \$9.85.

W. To approve the request of Lora Weaver to hire Petra D. Fair as a Part-time (less than 29 hours) Van Driver effective September 21, 2018. This is a Part-time position (one of two part-time positions replacing a full-time position) to be paid from the Rural Transportation Fund at an hourly rate of \$9.85.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Grant, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following item was approved:

To have the Final Reading and Approval to reappoint Karen Cook to the Etowah County Personnel Board for a six year term.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following item was approved:

To approve the request of Lee Taylor, Sheriff's Chief of Administrations, to make the following Budget Amendments:

Increase: Long-Term Debt Principal Payment (001.52100-601)	\$31,000
Decrease: Fund Balance (001.35900.000)	\$31,000

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Grant, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following item was approved:

To authorize an Executive Session to discuss Economic Development after a roll call vote with the majority approving the session. Those present in the meeting include – Marilyn Lott, David Akins, Kevin Dollar, Jim Turnbach, Tim Choate, Carolyn Parker, Larry Payne, and Johnny Grant. District 2 – yes; District 3 – yes; District 5 – yes; and District 6 – yes. The Commissioners dismissed for the Executive Session at 10:05 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Payne, with all other members voting "yes", the following resolution was adopted:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION:** That the following item was approved:

To return from Executive Session at 10:30 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

**REPORTS FROM THE STAFF:**

**Chief Administrative Officer:** No Report.

**County Engineer:** No Report.

**County Attorney:** No Report.

**Other:** No Report.

**SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Parker had some guests at the meeting today - Reverend Williams, Mr. Joe Pastori, and Curley DeRamus. Curley DeRamus and Reverend Williams participated in a program through the Coosa River Valley Association to deliver clothing and food to homeless people and transfer people to medical appointments. The truck they used was vandalized and when it was made public, several citizens got together to help get the truck repaired. Mr. Pastori got together with the Owner of Blair Auto Repair and Ronnie Watkins (Watkins Ford) and the truck was painted (the vandals had spray painted racial slurs on the vehicle), windows were replaced, and the tires were replaced. Also the 24 Hour Towing Company helped get the vehicle to the repair shop.

The police are investigating the incident. Reverend Williams was appreciative of everyone that came forward and made something good out of a bad situation.

**ADJOURN:** The Chair then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Choate, with all other members voting "yes", the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

**ABSENT**

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Joey Statum, Commissioner, District 1

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Jeff Overstreet, President, Commissioner, District 4

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Johnny Grant, Commissioner, District 2

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Carolyn Parker, Commissioner, District 5

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Larry V. Payne, Commissioner, District 3

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Tim N. Choate, Commissioner, District 6