

The Russell County Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2019
9:30 A.M. EST

An adjourned meeting of the Russell County Commission was called to order.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Lis-Mary S. Wilson, Civilian.

Commissioner Chance Corbett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Martin thanked Cable T.V. of East Alabama and the Citizen of East Alabama for their coverage of the Commission Meetings. She also welcomed Elected Officials, Department Heads, Media and Guests.

County Administrator LeAnn Horne called roll. Members present were; Chair Peggy Martin, Vice Chair Cattie Epps, Commissioner Gentry Lee, Commissioner Ronnie Reed, Commissioner Chance Corbett and Commissioner Larry Screws. Also, present was the County Attorney Kenneth Funderburk. Commissioner Carl Currington was absent. A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chair Martin requested approval of the October 9, 2019 minutes. Commissioner Corbett motioned to approve. Chair Martin seconded. Commissioner Screws abstained. The minutes were approved.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Chair Martin requested approval for a Proclamation for Caroline Batcheldor. Commissioner Corbett motioned to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Lee. The vote for the Proclamation was approved.

Commissioner Screws stated: Madam Chair, I have a question I would like to ask the Administrator. My question is, have we reconciled all our accounts for this year for 2019.

County Administrator Horne stated: I will check with Mrs. Perry and see; she is closing them out.

Commissioner Screws stated: If we have, I would like to know are we in compliance with all of them.

County Administrator stated: I would be glad to get you that information.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Commissioner Corbett stated: If you will remember, Commissioners, in the last fiscal year, we did bid out the actual structure of the gazebo. That structure has been completed and is ready for installation. I did check back with the auditors just to make sure we are going to do this the right way. They suggested to go ahead and bid out the installation too. The entire project came over \$50,000. At this time, I make a motion to send out invitations to bid on the installation of the gazebo project. The bids will be due on November 8 at 2:30 P.M. Eastern Time and they will be opened in the Commission Chambers at 3:00 P.M. Eastern Time.

Commissioner Lee motioned to second but asked does November 8, give enough time for three weeks?

Commissioner Corbett stated: It does.

County Administrator Horne polled the Commission. The vote was unanimous to approve the bid openings for the gazebo project.

Commissioner Epps stated: Madam Chair, I know we have already voted on that, but Commissioner Corbett said three weeks. What is the 2:30?

Commissioner Corbett stated: I am sorry, 2:30 P.M. is when the bids are due, 3:30 P.M. are when they are opened.

Mapping and Appraisal Department Head, Heath Crowe stated: Good morning Commissioners. The Mapping and Appraisal Department and the Revenue Department request for approval to enter into a contract with E-ring Software Solutions that would run our camera system. We are really looking for this conversion to happen next October (2020) maybe September. We need to go ahead to have approval to pay \$5,000 to them as a commitment to them. That \$5,000 will be coming off the total cost of the \$99,000. Also, if you look at what we pay yearly already, it will be an additional \$35,000 because we are already paying on a yearly service between Mrs. Elliott the Revenue Commissioner and our office the Mapping and Appraisal around the \$58,000. If you have any questions, we would be delightful to answer. If not, we seek approval.

Commissioner Lee motioned to approve but asked if he could ask a question. Commissioner Corbett seconded.

Commissioner Lee stated: My question is after we purchase this what is the annual charge to keep it running?

Mapping and Appraisal Department Head, Heath Crowe stated: It is going to be around the \$58,000 annually between both of our offices.

Revenue Commissioner Naomi Elliott stated: There will be increases all along. They have already stated that.

Commissioner Lee stated: I just wanted it on the record that it is going to be about the same as we are paying now.

Commissioner Epps stated: Question, did I understand that you already have this \$5,000 already in your budget?

Mapping and Appraisal Department Head, Heath Crowe stated: Yes Ma'am. No additional money.

Chair Martin stated: Commissioner Elliott, I appreciate you clarifying that \$5,000 will be taken off the final cost.

County Administrator Horne polled the Commission. The vote was unanimous to approve the contract with E-ring Software Solutions for the Mapping/Appraisal Department and the Revenue Commissioners Office.

County Attorney Mr. Funderburk stated: I have given you a letter Madam Chair for Executive Session. In there I need to discuss Omnibus Pay and there may be some issues related to a bond issue payoff of mortgages or bonds. Some of that can be in litigation. I don't need to discuss matters but we need to now be in Executive Session. I don't know how much of that we will bring up but some of that will involve the amount of payoff that could be related to litigation. I move that we go into Executive Session to discuss those items.

Commissioner Corbett stated: Madam Chair, I make a motion that we go into Executive Session on the recommendation of the Attorney. Commissioner Lee seconded.

County Administrator Horne polled the Commission. The vote was unanimous to go into Executive Session.

Commissioner Epps stated: Under Commissioners Discussion I have already asked if it is okay to ask the question I am going to ask. This is going to be to our Sheriff. I just wanted to know what is the status on the investigation that I had requested you to do?

Sheriff Heath Taylor stated: Yes Ma'am. I probably should do that in Executive Session if that is okay? I was planning on doing that then.

Announcements were made.

The Commission went into Executive Session.

Chair moved that the Commissioner meeting be reconvened. Commissioner Epps seconded.

County Administrator Horne did not return to the meeting. Assistant County Administrator, Vickie Perry, polled the Commission: District 1(Lee) voted, yes; District 3 (Martin) voted, yes; District 4 (Reed) voted, yes; District 5 (Epps) voted, yes; District 6 (Corbett) voted, yes. District 7 (Screws) was not present to vote. 5 yes votes; the motion was approved.

County Attorney Mr. Funderburk stated: We have no motion that needs to be voted on.

Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned.

After careful examination and considerations, the Commission authorized the Administrator to pay the following bills from the perspective funds.

October 2019 Checks

| General Fund 001 | | | | |
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| 17966 | 10-01-19 | Intersecure Tech Inc. | 41250 018 | \$648.00 |
| 17967 | 10-03-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank (Salary 09/21/19-10/04/19) | 3030 | \$408,300.57 |
| 17968 | 10-07-19 | OIG | 41250 018 | \$7,500.00 |
| 17969 | 10-07-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | 3030 | \$776.45 |
| 17970 | 10-07-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | See Attached | \$3,297.00 |
| 17971 | 10-10-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | See Attached | \$3,201.00 |
| 17972 | 10-10-19 | Russell County Historical Commission | 41250 018 | \$1,500.00 |
| 17973 | 10-11-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$139,957.21 |
| 17974 | 10-11-19 | Glenn Wills | 41250 018 | \$200.00 |
| 17975 | 10-15-19 | Russell County Volunteer Fire Department Association | 3040 | \$50.00 |
| 17976 | 10-17-19 | Payroll Fund PG Bank Sal. 10/5/19-10/18/19 | 3030 | \$339,084.83 |
| 17977 | 10-18-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | 3030 | \$799.28 |
| 17978 | 10-21-19 | Payroll Fund PG Bank | 3030 | \$936.76 |
| 17979 | 10-22-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$161,548.58 |
| 17980 | 10-29-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | See Attached | \$2,460.18 |
| 17981 | 10-29-19 | Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery Support Committee | 41250 018 | \$1,500.00 |
| 17982 | 10-29-19 | Intersecure Tech Inc. | 41250 018 | \$648.00 |
| 17983 | 10-29-19 | Dell McLendon | 41250 018 | \$939.98 |
| 17984 | 10-30-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$4,640.60 |
| 17985 | 10-31-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. of P.C. | 3030 | \$430,062.59 |

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| | | Salary 10/19/19-10/25/19 | | |
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| | | Contingent Fund 002 | | |
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| | | Ft. Mitchell Senior Center | | |
| 1240 | 10-22-19 | Operation Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$330.00 |
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| | | Masonic Lodge Fund 104 | | |
| 1147 | 10-17-19 | Millicent Belrose | 51100 499 | \$225.00 |
| 1148 | 10-18-19 | TruGreen | 51100 499 | \$92.70 |
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| | | Court Cost Fund 105 | | |
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| | | Gasoline Tax 111 Fund | | |
| 13640 | 10-03-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank Salary 09/21/19-10/04/19 | 3030 | \$86,135.54 |
| 13641 | 10-04-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | 3030 | \$1,402.32 |
| 13642 | 10-07-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | 53100 122 | 1,884.00 |
| 13643 | 10-10-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank | 53100 122 | \$1,884.00 |
| 13644 | 10-11-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$11,080.51 |
| 13645 | 10-17-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 10/05/19-10/18/19 | 3030 | \$71,572.61 |
| 13646 | 10-18-19 | Blue Cross & Blue Shield of AL | 53100 122 | \$167.60 |
| 13647 | 10-18-19 | Blue Cross & Blue Shield of AL | 53100 122 | \$32.00 |
| 13648 | 10-18-19 | Larry Kite, Jr. | 53100 122 | \$1,241.00 |
| 13649 | 10-18-19 | Local Government Health Insurance Board | 53100 122 | \$481.00 |
| 13650 | 10-22-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$6,721.64 |
| 13651 | 10-29-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 53100 123 | \$594.50 |
| 13652 | 10-31-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 10/19/19-10/25/19 | 3030 | \$87,721.51 |
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| | | Road & Bridge 112 | | |
| 1367 | 10-09-19 | US Bank | 62116 299 62123 299 | \$2,090.00 \$2,420.00 |
| 1368 | 10-11-19 | Operation Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$398,391.64 |
| 1369 | 10-15-19 | Chancey & Cooley LLC | 51100 307 | \$13,372.50 |
| 1370 | 10-30-19 | Operation Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$125.00 |
| 1371 | 10-30-19 | Operation Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$30,969.00 |
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| | | Capital Imp. Fund 116 | | |
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| | | RRR Gasoline Tax 117 | | |

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| | | Secondary RD Fund 118 | | |
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| | | Reappraisal 120 | | |
| 2266 | 10-03-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 9//21/19-10/04/19 | 3030 | \$25,368.51 |
| 2267 | 10-11-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$238.40 |
| 2268 | 10-17-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 10/05/19-10/18/19 | 3030 | \$21,203.14 |
| 2269 | 10-22-19 | Operations Fund of P.G. of P.C. | 3020 | \$18,475.08 |
| 2270 | 10-29-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 51985 123 | \$147.90 |
| 2271 | 10-31-19 | Payroll Fund of P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 10/19/19-10/25/19 | 3030 | \$23,300.35 |
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| | | Juvenile DRUG 195 | | |
| 1270 | 10-01-19 | Tommy Powell | 56900 199 | \$895.71 |
| 1271 | 10-16-19 | Tommy Powell | 56900 199 | \$895.71 |
| 1272 | 10-23-19 | Afford Com | 56900 199 | \$90.00 |
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| | | Garbage Fund 511 | | |
| 1644 | 10-03-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank Salary 09/21/19-10/04/19 | 3030 | \$72,292.91 |
| 1645 | 10-07-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 54100 122 | \$942.00 |
| 1646 | 10-11-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$20,161.34 |
| 1647 | 10-17-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank Salary 10/05/19-10/18/19 | 3030 | \$54,213.28 |
| 1648 | 10-21-19 | Postmaster | 54100 252 | \$2,611.32 |
| 1649 | 10-22-19 | Operations Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3020 | \$752.29 |
| 1650 | 10-21-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 3030 | \$421.92 |
| 1651 | 10-28-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 51100 113 | \$532.08 |
| 1652 | 10-29-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. | 54100 123 | \$448.05 |
| 1653 | 10-31-19 | Payroll Fund P.G. Bank of P.C. Salary 10/19/19-10/25/19 | 3030 | \$70,620.48 |
| 61081 | 10-01-19 | Arsenio Thomas | 3040 | \$27.48 |
| 61082 | 10-01-19 | Elshanna Allen | 3040 | \$18.60 |
| 61083 | 10-01-19 | Allen Conrad, Jr. | 3040 | \$275.00 |
| 61084 | 10-01-19 | Patricia C. Denzik | 3040 | \$75.50 |
| 61085 | 10-01-19 | Jessica Reeves | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61086 | 10-01-19 | Faye W. Burnham | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61087 | 10-01-19 | Jennifer Boone | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61088 | 10-01-19 | Bridget S. Diaz Coulton | 3040 | \$14.00 |
| 61089 | 10-01-19 | Samuel Ray Wambles | 3040 | \$35.00 |
| 61090 | 10-01-19 | Benny H. Culverhouse | 3040 | \$10.00 |
| 61091 | 10-01-19 | Meredith Ann Carpenter | 3040 | \$14.00 |

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| 61092 | 10-01-19 | John D. Thrash | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61093 | 10-01-19 | Southeastern Dental Assisting | 3040 | \$149.00 |
| 61094 | 10-01-19 | Gregory Scott | 3040 | \$12.00 |
| 61095 | 10-01-19 | Francine L. Edmond | 3040 | \$53.46 |
| 61096 | 10-01-19 | Elmira P. Graham | 3040 | \$16.00 |
| 61097 | 10-01-19 | Tanner Romanishan | 3040 | \$20.00 |
| 61098 | 10-24-19 | Jose Padilla | 3040 | \$50.00 |
| 61099 | 10-24-19 | Patricia C. Denzik | 3040 | \$75.00 |
| 61100 | 10-24-19 | Matthew Spraggins | 3040 | \$15.10 |
| 61101 | 10-24-19 | Tondra Ezell | 3040 | \$12.00 |
| 61102 | 10-24-19 | Star Nail | 3040 | \$37.50 |
| 61103 | 10-24-19 | Thomas Richard Love | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61104 | 10-24-19 | Glenda B. Draper | 3040 | \$17.50 |
| 61105 | 10-24-19 | Crawford Deli | 3040 | \$68.00 |
| 61106 | 10-24-19 | Calvin McKinney | 3040 | \$46.00 |
| 61107 | 10-24-19 | Dwight Nash | 3040 | \$20.00 |
| 61108 | 10-24-19 | Ernekka Smith | 3040 | \$135.95 |
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| | | Garbage Escrow Fund 513 | | |
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| | | Donation Fund 750 | | |
| 481 | 10-10-19 | JTM Corporation | 51100 499 | \$88.00 |
| 482 | 10-17-19 | Chattahoochee Valley Veterans Organization Inc. | 51100 499 | \$400.00 |
| 483 | 10-31-19 | Gasoline Fund P.G. Bank | 62106 299 | \$100,000.00 |
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| | | Law Library 755 | | |
| 1087 | 10-08-19 | RELX Inc. DBA LEXISNEXIS | 5100 499 | \$419.05 |
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| | | Worthless Check 761 | | |
| 521 | 10-03-19 | Worthless Check Unit Office of District Attorney | 51260 365 51260 362 | \$1,626.10 \$3,019.84 |
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| | | Revenue Commissioner Manufactured Fund 781 | | |
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| | | Motor Vehicle Special Fund 782 | | |
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| | | Land Redemption Fund 786 | | |
| 778 | 10-07-19 | Naomi Elliott, Rev. Commissioner | 3040 | \$10,535.14 |
| 779 | 10-30-19 | Naomi Elliott, Rev. Commissioner | 3040 | \$691.04 |
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| | | Juvenile Service Fund 787 | | |
| 2278 | 10-15-19 | Verizon | 52600 499 | \$132.00 |

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| | | County Tobacco Fund 797 | | |
| 506 | 10-23-19 | Task Force for Senior Citizens | 3040 | \$455.79 |
| 507 | 10-23-19 | Project Greene Light | 3040 | \$455.79 |
| 508 | 10-23-19 | Russell County Volunteer Fire Department Association | 3040 | \$17,320.40 |
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| | | County Beer Tax 798 | | |
| 717 | 10-31-19 | Phenix Girard Bank (General Fund) | 3040 | \$2,836.05 |
| 718 | 10-31-19 | Russell County Fire Committee Special Account | 3040 | \$11,989.94 |
| 719 | 10-31-19 | Russell County Board of Education | 3040 | 23,979.87 |
| 720 | 10-31-19 | Phenix Girard Bank (General Fund) | 3040 | 11,989.94 |

Attest: _____ Signed: _____
County Administrator Chair