

**Russell County Commission
Russell County Commission Chambers
Called Meeting Minutes August 10, 2022
1:30 P.M. EDT**

A called meeting of the Russell County Commission was called to order by Chairman Chance Corbett.

County Administrator Paulette Colbert called roll of the Commission. Members present were Commissioner Ronnie Reed, Commissioner Larry Screws, Commissioner Cattie Epps, Commissioner Rod Costello, Commissioner Gentry Lee, Commissioner Scott Chambers, and Chairman Chance Corbett. Also present was County Attorney Hope Hicks, and County Administrator Paulette Colbert who kept the minutes.

A quorum was established by the County Administrator Paulette Colbert.

Commissioner Lee moved; Commissioner Chambers seconded to set aside \$1,450,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act funds for a COVID building for Sheriff/EMA. Roll call was taken with Commissioner Reed voting yes; Commissioner Screws voting no; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello voting yes; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed 6 yes to 1 no.

Commissioner Lee moved; Commissioner Chambers seconded to set aside \$450,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act funds for County employees' health emergency payments. Roll call was taken with Commissioner Reed voting no; Commissioner Screws voting yes; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello abstaining; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed with 5 yes, 1 no and 1 abstention.

Commissioner Costello moved; Commissioner Chambers seconded to set aside \$90,000.00 of American Rescue Plan Act funds for 2 signs for Crawford and Ft. Mitchell. Roll call was taken with Commissioner Reed voting yes; Commissioner Screws voting no; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello voting yes; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed 6 yes to 1 no.

Commissioner Screws moved; Commissioner Chambers seconded to set aside \$12,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act funds for Software license annual payment. Roll call was taken with Commissioner Reed voting yes; Commissioner Screws voting yes; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello voting yes; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Epps moved; Commissioner Costello seconded to approve paying the Russell County Fuel Authority on Prentiss Drive in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Coronavirus Rescue Act Fund. This is for pump upgrades. Roll call was taken with

Commissioner Reed voting yes; Commissioner Screws voting yes; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello voting yes; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lee moved; Commissioner Costello seconded to approve paying up to \$1,500.00 for a drone for Tourism/Economic Development from the Coronavirus Rescue Act Fund. Roll call was taken with Commissioner Reed voting yes; Commissioner Screws voting yes; Commissioner Epps voting yes; Commissioner Costello voting yes; Commissioner Lee voting yes; Commissioner Chambers voting yes; and Chair Corbett voting yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Hicks stated that to the best of her knowledge all the above expenditures are allowable expenditures to be paid from the American Rescue Act Plan funds.

Commissioner Screws moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Costello. All were in favor.