

The Geneva County Commission met in regular session on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama.

Commission Chairman Fred Hamic called the meeting to order and welcome guests and media present. Commissioner Hammer opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Hamic led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no citizens requesting to make public comment.

There were no elected officials requesting to make public comment.

Chairman Hamic called the roll and the following members were present: Commissioners Bryan Hatton, Todd Brannon, Toby Seay and Sandy Hammer. The County Attorney, Phil Eldridge; County Engineer, Justin Barfield; Chief Administrative Officer, Marietta Webster and EMA Director, Misty Wise were also present. The following business was transacted:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve Minutes of September 10, 2018. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to approve the minutes September 10, 2018. Commissioner Seay seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
2. Budget 2019: Discussion started with any adjustment as needed before final approval. Commissioner Seay made a motion to approve the 2019 Budget as presented with small expense adjustment for Gasoline Fund that had been overlooked. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
3. Proclamations: N/A
4. Bids:
 - Lime Rock-Southern Rock and Lime agreed to extend bid for lime base rock for 10/1/18-9/30/18.
 - Johnson Trucking- agreed to extend bid for hauling 10/1/18-9/30/18
 - Blacklidge Emulsion-extended bid for CRS-2 10/1/18-9/30/19
 - Tri-Star Energy- agreed to extend contract bid for fuel 10/1/18-9/30/18
 - Vulcan Material- agreed to extend bid for #7 Crushed Stone 10/1/18-9/30/19
 - Dunn Construction-agreed to extend bid for Crushed Stone 10/1/18-9/30/19Commissioner Seay made a motion to accept the continuation of contracts of bid with the list above. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0. Engineer stated that pipe bid will have sent out.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Jail Construction: County Attorney has drawn up the contract settlement agreement for Hughes Brothers Construction, LLC to settle and terminate his contract as Construction Manager for the jail project and pay amount determined at the last meeting for services rendered and to terminate their agreement and release the county. Each Commissioner had been given a copy and reviewed same. Commissioner Hatton made a motion to approve the facts recited therein and the agreement and to authorize Chairman to sign. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
2. Courthouse: Nothing new just routine work.
3. Board Appointments: Commissioner Seay made a motion for Sheriff Helms to appoint Steven Crews to the Personnel Board to replace Lois Simpkins. Commissioner Hatton seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
4. Bids: N/A

REPORTS OF STAFF:

Sheriff: Sheriff noted the jail is running high in number of inmates.

County Administrator: Mrs. Webster discussed the subject of GPS for all county vehicles which had been discussed last year. The Engineer stated that he had some GPS already but wanted more installed. The Commission would need two, Solid Waste six and Reappraisal one. Engineer stated that he had been talking with a new source that might be cheaper. Commission asked that we research cost.

County Engineer The department will be advertising for a mechanic's position and there are two EEOH positions.

The last two Fridays the department has been grading and spraying has been done. The bush hogging will start again in a couple of weeks.

The Scrap Tire Program agreement with ADEM is requiring Chairman's signature to continue the program. Commissioner Hatton made a motion to continue the ADEM Scrap Tire Program and allow Chairman to sign. Commissioner Seay seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.

Engineer stated that he had been notified of an issue with a fence that is encroaching on a right of way. A notice was placed on the fence, but the parties involved are not making any progress to solve the issue. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to allow County Attorney to contact the parties involved with the fence encroachment. Commissioner Seay seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Engineer stated that the pan at the landfill has torn up and he will be looking to buy a pan because of the age of the old one.

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County Attorney: Attorney Eldridge stated that he had received a copy of the contract issued by Wiregrass Medical Center to provide RN at the jail. Attorney noted that he had made changes to the contract, the R N should work thirty hours as in the contract we have now and delete the parts in paragraph concerning disputes and mediation. County Administrator had checked with auditors and this was professional services and does not have to be bid. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to accept Wiregrass Medical Center to provide Registered Nurse for jail medical services with changes. Commissioner Seay seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0. Contract will be sent back to Medical Center for their approval of changes and should start October 1, 2018.

Commissioner Seay made a motion to notify Southern Health Partners that the commission will not renew their contract for services. Commissioner Hatton seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Attorney stated that he had the paperwork ready to apply for the Sales Tax Exemption for the County Jail Project which will enable Bear Construction and Tindall Corporation to apply and buy goods for the project with no taxes which will lower cost. Kevin Baughn is supposed to bring contracts today, so Attorney can file this.

Chairman Hamic: Chairman stated that he received notice from ESS that elections would be charging \$695 to perform the Election School for November.

Chairman noted that information was given by local television news that the bill to be on the ballot for Slocomb Fire was left off, but this was bad information that caused an issue. Chairman stated that they had been sent verification that the bill was on the ballot and when the sample ballots were received the bill was printed as specified.

Chairman stated that an open house was held at the Chancellor Community Center and Sheriff stated that he attended the affair, and all were appreciative of the work that Sam Turner had done and for the Commission's support.

Reminded the commission of upcoming November election.

EMA Director: EMA Director noted that the brain of the siren equipment in her office if not working and she will need to call S & P Communications.

Misty Wise stated that she is working with the Sheriff concerning a drill for the courthouse after the first of the year.

Personnel Director: Nothing to report.

Revenue Commissioner: Ms. Ellison noted that the satellite office will open next Wednesday at the Slocomb City Hall for October and November for payments. She is working with the seniors to help with getting their exemption papers into the office.

Solid Waste Director: Eileen Bottom stated she had the information together on the old trucks to be sold in order for the Engineer to post on GOV Deals.

E-911 Director: Nothing to report.

Auburn Extension: Lunch and Learn September 27 12 p. m-1 p.m. on peanuts by Brandon Dillard at the Extension Office. There will be a regional program at Coffee County the same day 6 p.m. -8 p.m. Gloria Marks presented Madison Tew, new 4-H director for the local schools of the county.

Commissioner Hammer: Commissioner Hammer asked if a list of fees could be gathered so they can be looked at. Chairman stated that he could get the information for him.


Commissioner Brannon: Nothing to report.

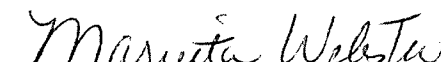
Commissioner Seay: Nothing to report.

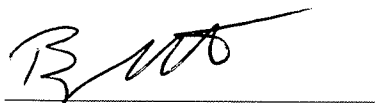
Commissioner Hatton: Nothing to report.

Commissioner Hammer made the motion to adjourn meeting to attend ground breaking for the new jail. Commissioner Hatton seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

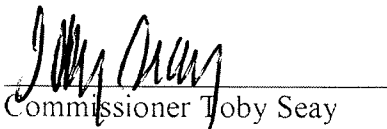
The above constitutes the minutes of the meeting of the Geneva County Commission held on Monday, September 24, 2018.


Chairman, Fred Hamic


Marietta Webster
Chief Administrative Clerk


Commissioner Bryan Hatton


Commissioner Todd Brannon


Commissioner Toby Seay

Commissioner Hammer

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