

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday January 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were Ricky Harcrow, President, Shane Wootten, Scot Westbrook, Chris Kuykendall, and Dewitt Jackson.

The meeting was called to order by President Harcrow. President Harcrow delivered the invocation and Mr. Kuykendall lead the Pledge.

It was moved by Mr. Westbrook seconded by Mr. Wootten all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept them as presented in written format.

Road Department

Maintenance Update--Mr. Broyles stated that road maintenance was continuing as normal, no new projects as this time.

Surplus Equipment--Mr. Broyles requested the Commission to declare CE-0711 Excavator surplus and prepare it for the Spring Auction. JM Woods Auction Company has made a guarantee of \$45,000.00 on this piece of equipment.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion to declare the Excavator surplus with a second from Mr. Westbrook, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Reclassification Resolution--Mr. Luther presented the following resolutions for County Roads 88 and 651 to reclassify these roads. Mr. Luther told the Commission this would classify these roads as Minor Collector Routes under the Highway Functional Classification System.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-0123-01
County Road 88 Reclassification**

**COUNTY OF DeKALB
STATE OF ALABAMA**

WHEREAS, The DeKalb County Commission is desirous that the Alabama Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration reclassify County Road 88, from its intersection at County Road 52 to its intersection at County Road 835 in Pine Ridge, comprising approximately 5.972 miles, as a Minor Collector under the Highway Functional Classification System; and

WHEREAS, The DeKalb County Commission submits within the letter of transmittal and acknowledges a safety assessment report addressing the current conditions and recommendations listed in the *Alabama Department of Transportation County Road Design Policy* dated August 2016, Chapter 6 "Design Criteria for Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation (3R) (All Traffic Volumes with Design Speeds 45 MPH or Less)"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President, and the DeKalb County Commission as the governing body, do request that County Road 88 between County Road 52 and County Road 835 be designated as a Minor Collector under the Highway Functional Classification System.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this the 23rd day of January, 2018

RESOLUTION NO. 18-0123-02
County Road 651 Reclassification

COUNTY OF DeKALB
STATE OF ALABAMA

WHEREAS, The DeKalb County Commission is desirous that the Alabama Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration reclassify County Road 651, from its intersection at State Road 117 to its intersection at State Road 75 in Ider, comprising approximately 3.573 miles, as a Minor Collector under the Highway Functional Classification System; and

WHEREAS, The DeKalb County Commission submits within the letter of transmittal and acknowledges a safety assessment report addressing the current conditions and recommendations listed in the *Alabama Department of Transportation County Road Design Policy* dated August 2016, Chapter 6 "Design Criteria for Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation (3R) (All Traffic Volumes with Design Speeds 45 MPH or Less)"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President, and the DeKalb County Commission as the governing body, do request that County Road 651 between State Road 117 and State Road 75 be designated as a Minor Collector under the Highway Functional Classification System.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this the 23rd day of January, 2018

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to adopt these resolutions for CR 88 and CR 651, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Sheriff's Office

Personnel--Mr. Edmondson requested the Commission to approve the following personnel changes:

- Accept the resignation of executive assistant Kim Hamlin.
- Move Kizzy Jones from transport officer to executive assistant (G7/6).
- Move Demetrius Green from part time placement to full time transport position to replace Kizzy Jones (G5/1 – no change).
- Hire Chris Silvestro as part time jailer to replace moving Demetrius Green from part time to full time (G5/1 – no change).
- Hire Christopher Rogers as part time jailer to replace Landon Crowe, who was moved to full time employment (G5/1).
- Hire Lewis Panameno as full time jailer to replace Daniel Gregory (G5/1).

Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the personnel changes, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Training--Mr. Edmondson requested the Commission approve the following training:

- Approve mandatory ADOC PREA training for Tiffany Graham and Jonathan Langley in Selma, AL on January 31, 2018.
- Approve ACCA training classes in Prattville, AL for the following dates: February 14-15, April 4-5, July 11-12, September 26-27, and October 31-Nov 1.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve the training, with a second from Mr. Westbrook, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Council on Aging

Personnel--President Harcrow, on behalf of Ms. Brewer, requested the Commission hire to Laurie Jean Gregg as the Center Manager at the Collinsville Nutrition Center.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion to approve the request with a second from Mr. Jackson, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried to hire Laurie Gregg as Collinsville Nutrition Center Manager (G3/1).

President Harcrow asked the Commission to accept the retirement request of June Brewer, Director of the Council on Aging and Rural Public Transportation, effective February 28, 2018. President Harcrow thanked Ms. Brewer for her service in the Department and for her service to the County.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to accept the retirement request from Mrs. Brewer, with a second from, Mr. Westbrook, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Stepping Up Initiative

Mr. Harcrow requested the Commission to adopt the “Stepping Up” Resolution sponsored by NACo as follows:

WHEREAS, counties routinely provide treatment services to the estimated 2 million people with serious mental illnesses booked into jail each year; and

WHEREAS, prevalence rates of serious mental illnesses in jails are three to six times higher than for the general population; and

WHEREAS, almost three-quarters of adults with serious mental illnesses in jails have co-occurring substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS, adults with mental illnesses tend to stay longer in jail and upon release are at a higher risk of recidivism than people without these disorders; and

WHEREAS, county jails spend two to three times more on adults with mental illnesses that require interventions compared to those without these treatment needs; and

WHEREAS, without the appropriate treatment and services, people with mental illnesses continue to cycle through the criminal justice system, often resulting in tragic outcomes for these individuals and their families; and

WHEREAS, DeKalb County Alabama and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, through *Stepping Up*, the National Association of Counties, the Council of State Governments Justice Center and the American Psychiatric Association Foundation are encouraging public, private and nonprofit partners to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jails;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, THAT I, Honorable Ricky D. Harcrow President of the DeKalb County Commission, do hereby sign on to the Call to Action to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in our county jail, commit to sharing lessons learned with other counties in my state and across the country to support a national initiative and encourage all

county officials, employees and residents to participate in *Stepping Up*. We resolve to utilize die comprehensive resources available through *Stepping Up* to:

- Convene or draw on a diverse team of leaders and decision makers from multiple agencies committed to safely reducing the number of people with mental illnesses in jails.
- Collect and review prevalence numbers and assess individuals' needs to better identify adults entering jails with mental illnesses and their recidivism risk, and use that baseline information to guide decision making at the system, program, and case levels.
- Examine treatment and service capacity to determine which programs and services are available in the county for people with mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders, and identify state and local policy and funding barriers to minimizing contact with the justice system and providing treatment and supports in the community.
- Develop a plan with measurable outcomes that draws on the jail assessment and prevalence data and the examination of available treatment and service capacity, while considering identified barriers.
- Implement research-based approaches that advance the plan.
- Create a process to track progress using data and information systems, and to report on successes.

PASSED AND APPROVED in this 23rd day of January, 2018.

President Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, February, 13, 2018. He asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Jackson made a Motion to adjourn. The President declared no objections and ordered the meeting adjourned.

Ricky Harcrow, President

Shane Wootten, Commissioner District I

Scot Westbrook, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Dewitt Jackson, Commissioner District IV