

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday February 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were Shane Wootten, Scot Westbrook, Chris Kuykendall, and Dewitt Jackson.

The meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Dewitt Jackson. Mr. Wootten 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.

Recognition of June Brewer

President Pro Tem Jackson recognized Mrs. Brewer for her 20 years of service as the Director of the Council on Aging and Public Transportation director. President Pro Tem Jackson, and all the Commissioners, thanked Ms. Brewer for her service to the County and her dedication to the Council on Aging program for so many years.

Road Department

Maintenance Update--Mr. Broyles stated that patching had continued throughout the County when weather would allow.

Personnel--Mr. Broyles requested the Commission extend the job posting from the previous meeting until the next Commission meeting.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion to extend the job posting until March 12, 2018, with a second from Mr. Westbrook, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Generator--Mr. Broyles requested the Commission consider the purchase of a new generator at the Road Department. Mr. Broyles stated they had previously received an estimate of \$20,000 for a 45kw. Mr. Broyles spoke with three different companies and each opined that a 45kw generator was insufficient to run the Road Department in the case of a power outage. Mr. Broyles also received a quote for a 100kw generator for approximately \$40,000.00 which is what would be needed to power all the necessary equipment and buildings in case of a power outage. After discussion with the Commissioners Mr. Broyles will be in contact with EMA Director Anthony Clifton to check for possible grants that may be available to help cover the cost of the new generator.

Engineering

CR 196 Road Vacation Hearing--Mr. Luther requested the Commission open the floor to anyone who would like to speak on behalf of the vacation of a portion of CR 196. No one spoke out against the vacation; therefore, Mr. Luther requested the Commission pass a resolution to proceed with the vacation the portion of CR 196.

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to approve the following resolution to vacate a portion of CR 196, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried:

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-0227-02
VACATION OF DEKALB COUNTY
COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 196**

WHEREAS, Code Section 23-4-2, State of Alabama, 1975, authorized the governing bodies of the counties of Alabama to, upon petition and by resolution, vacate a street, or a portion thereof; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission set down for public hearing on February 27, 2018, and caused notice of such hearing to be published in the *The Mountain Valley News* for four consecutive weeks, beginning February 1, 2018 and running through February 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission has received no written objection and heard no verbal objection at the hearing hereon to the partial vacation of DeKalb County Road Number 196; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Kuykendall made a motion before the Commission to approve the vacation of this road;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the DeKalb County Commission that the following portion of DeKalb County Road 196, more particularly described below, be, and hereby is, vacated:

All that portion of County Road #196, beginning at a point where petitioner's existing driveway intersects the roadway, said point being located approximately 1,000 feet west of County Road #843 measured along the existing roadway, thence traveling in a northerly and a northwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 3,570 feet to its intersection with Lybrand Branch. Said property lying in Sections 19 & 20, Township 8 South, Range 7 East, located in Dawson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the DeKalb County Commission that the names of the owners of the abutting lots are Doug Childress and Amy Childress, and there are no other lots or parcels of land which will be cut off from access by the vacation sought; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, by the DeKalb County Commission that it is in the interest of the public that the above-described portion of the public street be vacated; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, by the DeKalb County Commission that this resolution shall be filed in the Probate Court of DeKalb County as provided by statute and that notice of this action shall be published once in a newspaper in DeKalb County no later than fourteen (14) days after the date of its adoption.

DONE this the 27th day of February 2018

ATTEST:


Ricky Hartrow, President


Matt G. Sharp, Administrator

CR 27 Guardrail Repair Proposal--Mr. Luther presented a proposal for repairs to the guardrail on CR 27 on Sylvania Gap. Mr. Luther stated that this guardrail had been damaged because of a vehicular accident and he would be filing a claim with the responsible party's insurance. The proposal that Mr. Luther presented is from Alabama Guardrail in the amount of approximately \$3,000.

Mr. Jackson made a motion to accept the proposal, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried to accept the proposal for guardrail on CR 27.

CR 24 Bridge Guardrail Repair Proposal--Mr. Luther presented a proposal from Alabama Guardrail for repairs needed to the bridge on CR 24. This guardrail was damaged from a vehicular accident and Mr. Luther will be filing a claim with the responsible party's insurance. The proposal that Mr. Luther presented is from Alabama Guardrail in the amount of approximately \$40,000.

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to accept the proposal, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried to accept the proposal for guardrail on CR 24.

Training--Mr. Luther requested permission to attend ACR-recertification required training.

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

COA/RPT Director

Personnel--Mr. Sharp requested the Commission hire Emily McCamy to replace June Brewer as Council on Aging/Public Transportation Director.

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to approve the request, with a second from Mr. Wootten, Mr. Kuykendall abstained from voting due to a possible conflict in interest, all other members voting affirmatively, motion carried to hire Emily McCamy as COA/RPT Director.

TARCOG/CDBG

Grant Resolution--Mr. Sharp presented a resolution for the Grant from TARCOG in District 1.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve this resolution with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Sheriff's Office

Personnel--Mr. Edmondson request the Commission accept the resignation of Christopher Sylvestro, and hire Cody Dupree as a PT dispatcher to replace Brook Smith who moved to FT dispatcher.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve the personnel request, with a second from MR. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Library

Book Signing--Ms. Hancock invited the Commission to attend a book signing on March 6th from 4:00-6:00 that will be held at the DeKalb County Library.

President Pro Tem Jackson notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday March 13, 2018. He asked for a motion to adjourn.

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

Absent

Ricky Harcrow, President

Shane Wootten, Commissioner District I

Scot Westbrook, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Dewitt Jackson, Commissioner District IV