

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were President Ricky Harcrow, Chris Kuykendall, Scot Westbrook and Lester Black. Commissioner Shane Wootten was absent.

Prior to the start of the meeting President Harcrow told the audience that the meeting would be very brief due to the fact that former Commissioner Dewitt Jackson's Mother passed away and the Commission office would be attending the funeral. President Harcrow stated that our thoughts and prayers are with the Jackson Family at this time of great loss.

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

It was moved by Mr. Westbrook, seconded by Mr. Black 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--Tom Broyles

Maintenance Update--Mr. Broyles stated that treated base material has been hauled to the last road in District 1 that would be reclaimed.

Personnel--Mr. Broyles requested to repost a position in District 2.

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

DeKalb Ambulance Service--Mike Leath, Chairman of the County Hospital Board

Update--Mr. Leath addressed the Commission on behalf of the DeKalb Ambulance Service (DAS) and stated that they are applying for advanced accreditation and are required to report to the County Commission on their progress of service and plans for the future. Mr. Leath stated that the accreditation is through the American Ambulance Association and it analyzes the EMS industry as a whole. Mr. Leath stated that DAS has added 7 vans that further serve the citizens of the county to have access to doctors' appointments (when it is not required to have an ambulance but there is a need for assistance getting to and from those appointments). Mr. Leath told the Commission that DAS currently has 53 full time and 31 part time employees and has enough

savings to operate for 6 months without laying off any employees or cutting any services. Mr. Leath stated that DAS had purchased 20 acres in Rainsville with future plans to build a new facility because the current station in Rainsville does not have good access and the new facility is in a better location. Mr. Leath thanked the Commission for allowing him to address the Commission.

President Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, October 22, 2019. He asked for a motion to adjourn.

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

Ricky Harcrow, President

Absent
Shane Wootten, Commissioner District I

Scot Westbrook, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Lester Black, Commissioner District IV