

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on March 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were President Ricky Harcrow, Scot Westbrook, Chris Kuykendall, and Lester Black. Mr. Wootten was out of town.

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

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

100th Birthday Recognition—President Harcrow

President Harcrow recognized Ms. Nell Durham as she recently celebrated her 100th Birthday. President Harcrow said that he has known Ms. Nell all his life. She was born January 20th, 1920 and lives in Rainsville. She was one of 12 children, was married to the late Wilford Durham and has 2 children and 5 grandchildren. President Harcrow presented Ms. Durham with a plaque and thanked her daughter for attending the meeting and wished her many more Happy Birthdays.

Road Department—Tom Broyles

Maintenance Update—Mr. Broyles stated the continued rain is slowing or halting any grading of roads that need it currently and it will probably be several months before any roads will be dry enough to grade. Mr. Broyles told the Commission they are still waiting on the notice to proceed on repairs to CR 835 and all old trucks have been sent to the Auction.

Engineering—Ben Luther

Award Bituminous Surface Treatment Bid—Mr. Luther requested the Commission award the Bituminous Surface Treatment Bid to Charles Watts who was the low bidder with a bid of \$816,301.12 (Note: This is for additional roads in Districts 1 and 2. This is subject to approval of bond proceeds).

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

Award Herbicide Annual Bid—Mr. Luther requested the Commission award annual herbicide bids as follows:

HERBICIDE & ADJUFANTS BID SUMMARY

OPENED ON MARCH 4, 2020

Helena:

Item #2	Oust Extra - \$27.31/lb
Item #3	Fireball - \$21.74/gal
Item #4	Outrider - \$14.33/oz
Item #7	Foambuster Max - \$96.50/gal
Item #8	Landmark XP - \$118/lb
Item #11	Milestone - \$300/gal
Item #15	Hardball - \$33.40/gal

Red River Specialties:

Item #1	Elite Imperial - \$11/gal
Item #5	Element 3A - \$41/gal
Item #6	MSMA 6 Plus - \$24.84/gal
Item #9	Roundup Pro Concentrate - \$16.37/gal
Item #11	Milestone - \$300/gal
Item #12	Mojave - \$10/lb
Item #15a	Defy Amine 4 - \$10.64/gal
Item #16	Stingray - \$554.20/gal

Nutrien Ag Solutions:

Item #10	Plateau - \$110/gal
Item #11	Milestone - \$300/gal
Item #12	Imazuron - \$10/lb
Item #13	Reign - \$8.50/gal
Item #16	Stingray - \$554.20/gal

It was moved by Westbrook, seconded by Mr. Lester, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to award herbicide bids as presented by Mr. Luther.

ALDOT – Federal Aid Exchange Fund MOU – Mr. Luther asked the Commission to authorize President Harcrow to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the State Department of Transportation as provided by Act 2019-2 (Rebuild Alabama Act) to exchange the annual \$533,000 federal allocation for an annual \$400,000 direct appropriation. This will allow more flexibility to the Counties. Also, the MOU will authorize the County to drawdown 75% of any federal allocation in the amount of \$300,000 or less.

It was moved by Mr. Westbrook, seconded by Mr. Black, all members voting affirmatively to authorize Mr. Harcrow to execute this MOU.

Sheriff’s Office (Courthouse Security)—Brad Gregg

Personnel—Chief Deputy Gregg requested the Commission move John Jackson to a PT salary equivalent to other deputy retirees to replace Thomas Underwood in Courthouse Security.

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

Animal Shelter—Matt Sharp

Training—Mr. Sharp on behalf of Leslie Ledbetter, requested Sarah Gulledge to attend a certified Euthanasia Tech Training Course on March 28 & 29 in Birmingham.

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

Personnel—Mr. Sharp requested on behalf of Leslie Ledbetter, to accept the retirement of Stanley Shores and post his position.

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

EMA—Michael Posey

AED Bid Award—Mr. Posey notified the Commission that four (4) bids had been received for AED’s through a grant for the Sheriff’s Office as follows:

The EMS Super Store	918.25	Marietta, GA
Cardiac Solutions	1,099.00	Birmingham, AL
Bound Tree Medical	1,329.00	Dublin, OH
School Health Corp (*)	47,031.50	Rolling Meadows, IL

(*) This bidder called and talked to the EMA Office and asked how many we wanted to buy. They told them they would like to buy 50, so we can assume this was for 50 AED's although nothing in the bid response mentions 50. If it is for 50 AED's, then the price would be approximately 940.63 (which is still higher than the lowest bid).

NOTE: This a 100% Federal Grant up to \$37,250, so this grant would purchase up to 40 AED's at the low bid of \$918.25 from The EMS Super Store

Mr. Posey requested the Commission award the AED bid award to The EMA Superstore as the low bidder. Mr. Posey reminded the Commission the money for these devices came from a Federal Grant designated for this purchase.

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to award the bid to The EMA Superstore, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Commission—Matt Sharp

Personnel—Mr. Sharp requested the Commission hire Lisa Dalton to fill the Insurance Benefits position posted at the previous meeting.

Mr. Black made a motion to hire Lisa Dalton, with a second from Mr. Westbrook, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

County Attorney—President Harcrow

President Harcrow requested the Commission hire Mr. Jeff McCurdy as the new County Attorney to replace Mr. Charles Mauney, who retired in January.

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

911 Board Appointment—President Harcrow

Board Reappointment—President Harcrow requested the Commission reappoint Freddy Glover and Marty Wootten to the DeKalb 911 Board.

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

President Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. He asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Westbrook made a motion to adjourn. The President declared no objections and ordered the meeting adjourned (due to the coronavirus pandemic, the March 24th meeting was cancelled).

Ricky Harcrow, President

Absent

Shane Wootten, Commissioner District I

Scot Westbrook, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Lester Black, Commissioner District IV