

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday August 9, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were Ricky Harcrow, Shane Wootten, Terry Harris, Chris Kuykendall, and Lester Black.

The meeting was called to order by President Harcrow with Mr. Harcrow delivering the invocation and Mr. Kuykendall leading the Pledge.

Before moving on to the regular agenda, President Harcrow recognized and welcomed Sand Valley Landfill General Manager Mr. David Hogshead and Mr. Clay Chitwood, the new local Manager.

It was moved by Mr. Wootten seconded by Mr. Harris with 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

Update—Mr. Broyles gave a brief update stating that work on CR 835 is within a few days of being complete and ready for paving and guardrail installation. He said that the District 1 crew has been reclaiming roads and Patch Units crews are working in District 1 and 3.

Engineer

Award CR-78 Pipe Liner Bid—Mr. Luther presented Pipe Liner Bids for work on CR 78 (Adamsburg Road) and made the recommendation to award said bid to Lambert, Inc.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion to approve. Mr. Wootten seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Award CR-835 Resurfacing Bid—Mr. Luther presented bids for Resurfacing CR 835 and made the recommendation to award the bid to Wiregrass Construction who had the low bid of \$315,085.81. Only one other bid was received (Rogers Group, Inc. \$327,164.45).

Mr. Black made a motion to approve. Mr. Kuykendall seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to approve and award the Resurfacing bid to Wiregrass.

Adopt FY2023 Rebuild AL County Transportation Plan—Mr. Luther presented the first draft of the FY2023 County’s “Rebuild Alabama” Transportation Plan to the Commission for approval. After a brief overview of the plan, Mr. Luther stated that the Commission is required by law to adopt the first edition of the plan by August 31st of each year. President Harcrow solicited for a motion to approve with necessary amendments. (The plan currently only includes roads in District 1, 3 & 4. The plan will be amended to include District 2 at a later date).

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve Mr. Luther’s request, with a second from Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following projects under the FY2023 Rebuild Alabama Transportation Plan:

District 1

CR 231 (CR228 to CR 653)	JG Treatment	20ft x 1,848 ft	\$ 21,355.00
CR 805 (CR 155 to CR 784)	JG Treatment	20ft x 4,805 ft	55,525.00
CR 720/721 (CR 126 to CR 715)	JG Treatment	14ft x 10,296 ft	83,284.00
CR 803 (CR 159 to CR 141)	JG Treatment	15ft x 10,297 ft	53,543.00
CR 782 (CR 776 to CR 788)	JG Treatment	12ft x 6,688 ft	34,778.00
CR 801 (CR 159 to CR 155)	JG Treatment	15ft x 7,480 ft	38,896.00

District 3

CR 280 (CR 51 to end pavement)	JG Treatment	18ft x 10,560 ft	\$ 109,824.00
CR 251 (CR 247 to CR 252)	JG Treatment	14ft x 5,280 ft	42,713.00
CR 892 (CR 822 to dead-end)	JG Treatment	14ft x 2,640 ft	21,357.00
CR 60 (CR 822 to CR 892)	JG Treatment	11ft x 528 ft	3,360.00
CR 22 (Hwy 176 to dead-end)	JG Treatment	16ft x 3,696 ft	34,170.00
CR 22 (Hwy 176 to CR 65 Bridge)	JG Treatment	17 ft x 4,224 ft	41,491.00
CR 64 (Hwy 176 to CR 22)	G Treatment	15 ft x 1,426 ft	12,361.00
CR 295 (CR 153 to dead-end)	G Treatment	19ft x 5,280 ft	27,311.00

District 4

CR 494 (Hwy 35 to CR 27)	G Treatment	19ft x 19,220 ft	\$ 99,412.00
CR 61/Farmer Rd (CR 72 to CR 50)	G Treatment	18ft x 13,200 ft	64,680.00
CR 114 (CR 85 to CR 120)	G Treatment	18ft x 22,176 ft	108,663.00
Lands Rd (CR 72 to CR 61)	G Treatment	19ft x 3,168 ft	16,386.00

Sheriff's Office Personnel—Sheriff Welden asked the Commission to approve hiring John Degan for a Security Position at the Revenue Commission Office and to transfer Myles Underwood from a full-time jail position to replace Hunter Akins' position (He is currently going through the police academy to become a certified officer).

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve. Mr. Black seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to hire John Degan as a PT Security position in the Revenue Commissioner's Office / Courthouse and to transfer Myles Underwood to FT Deputy (Deputy pay will begin once he is certified).

Jail Personnel—Chief Corrections Officer Seth Cagle requested the Commission to approve the following personnel items:

The Resignation of Alan Lawson and Sgt Tim Smith

New Hires: Garry Chapman (replaces Kristopher McCormick)
 Michael Freeman (replaces Hunter Walker)
 Zachary Hatchett (replaces Brandon Vaughn)
 Jamie Alonzo (replaces Alan Lawson)

Transfers: Promote Joann Gentry to Sgt (replaces Sgt. Tim Smith)

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

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan--Mr. Clifton requested the Commission accept their Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by TARCOC and adopt a Resolution, which will allow them to accept FEMA grant money for Hazard Mitigation projects.

Mr. Wootten made a motion, Mr. Kuykendall seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Resolution:

THE DeKALB COUNTY
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RICKY HARCROW, PRESIDENT

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CHRIS KUYKENDALL
DISTRICT III

LESTER BLACK
DISTRICT IV

Division F Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan
RESOLUTION No. 22-0809-05

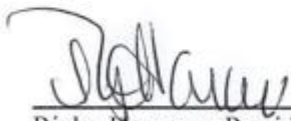
WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the community; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission recognizes development and implementation of a hazard mitigation action plan can result in actions that reduce the long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Emergency Management Agency in coordination with multiple jurisdictions in AEMA Division F have supported and participated in the preparation of the AEMA Division F Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan to fulfill the local mitigation planning requirement set forth in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 with input from the appropriate local and state officials; and

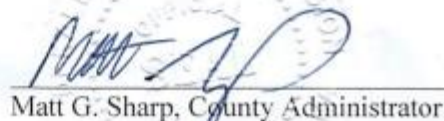
WHEREAS, the Alabama Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have reviewed the Division F Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for compliance and has approved the plan pending the completion of local adoption procedures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 9th day of August 2022 that the DeKalb County Commission hereby adopts the AEMA Division F Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan.



Ricky Harcrow, President

ATTESTED BY:



Matt G. Sharp, County Administrator

Communications Bid—Mr. Martin addressed the Commission concerning the CAD/Data Management System and stated that bids have closed and been evaluated by the committee. He then asked Mr. Mike Hagans, head of the Communications System to address the Commission concerning the bid awards. Mr. Hagans asked the Commission to grant authorization for President Harcrow and Mr. Sharp, County Administrator to sign the necessary documents to enter into contract with the selected vendors. They are as follows: CAD/DATA Management System—Motorola, P25 Repeater Systems—Motorola, and Subscriber Radios—Motorola, Harris and Kenwood.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion to approve. Mr. Black seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried (Bids are on file in the EMA Office).

Board Appointment (Dogtown Fire Department)—Mr. Kuykendall made the recommendation and requested the Commission's approval to appoint Emory Ashley and Roger Hurtt to the Dogtown Volunteer Fire Department Board to replace Denny Middlebrooks and Darvin Hurtt whose terms have expired.

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wootten. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

ARPA-Fort Payne Water-Culpepper Road Project Resolution—Mr. Kuykendall addressed the Commission requesting the Commission adopt a Resolution giving authorization for the County to enter into contract with the Waterworks Board of the City of Fort Payne allocating ARPA Funds for the water infrastructure project on Culpepper Road.(Waterline replacement)

Mr. Kuykendall made a motion. Mr. Black seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Resolution:

THE DeKALB COUNTY COMMISSION		
COMMISSION MEMBERS	RICKY HARCROW, PRESIDENT	COMMISSION MEMBERS
SHANE WOOTTEN DISTRICT I	MATT G. SHARP, ADMINISTRATOR SUITE 200 111 GRAND AVE. S.W. FORT PAYNE, AL 35967 256-845-8500 PHONE 256-845-8502 FAX	CHRIS KUYKENDALL DISTRICT III
TERRY HARRIS DISTRICT II		LESTER BLACK DISTRICT IV

**RESOLUTION No. 22-0809-01
TO AUTHORIZE THE ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS
FOR ELIGIBLE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT
FORT PAYNE WATER – CULPEPPER ROAD WATER LINE REPLACEMENT**

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used for necessary investments in water and sewer infrastructure ("eligible water and sewer ARPA infrastructure projects"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 603(c)(3) of the ARPA, PL 117-2, March 11, 2021, 135 Stat 4, the County may transfer ARPA funds to municipalities, water and sewer authorities, and other public third-party providers ("third-party providers") in order to make these necessary investments; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified, with assistance from an independent consultant, an eligible ARPA infrastructure project to serve the County's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into an agreement with the Waterworks Board of the City of Fort Payne (WBFP), a public utility, to carry out the ARPA infrastructure project for a public purpose;

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the project is a necessary, eligible, and reasonable use of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the County will conduct a satisfactory risk assessment of the WBFP and develop a monitoring plan for the ARPA infrastructure project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY as follows:

- 1) The President of the DeKalb County Commission shall assign a Project Monitor to ensure compliance with federal guidance, the ARPA award, consistent with the County's implementation plan.

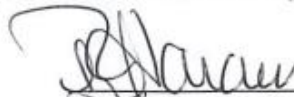
2) The County hereby conditionally allocates up to \$350,000 of its ARPA funds to cover part or all of the construction costs associated with an infrastructure project to replace 7,000lf of 6" PVC and cast iron piping along Culpepper road with new 8" PVC water main. The project includes a tie-in to an existing 6" line, 2 new fire hydrants, one 8" gate valve, one 6" gate valve, and 100lf of road boring and case.

3) This allocation is conditioned upon meeting federal requirements as set forth in paragraph 4 and further review of cost estimates of the project.

4) Following the successful completion of a risk assessment and development of a monitoring plan, the County is hereby directed to negotiate with the WBFP to establish a subaward agreement consistent with this resolution and the terms and conditions of the County's ARPA Award.

5) ARPA funds will not be obligated or expended for an eligible water or sewer infrastructure project prior to the Commission's adoption of a resolution authorizing the terms and conditions of the subaward.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the DeKalb County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 9th day of August, 2022.



Ricky Harcrow, President
DeKalb County Commission

ATTESTED BY:




Matt G. Sharp, County Administrator

ARPA-Section-Dutton Water-Generator Project Resolution—Mr. Black addressed the Commission requesting the Commission adopt a Resolution giving authorization to allocate ARPA Funds and enter into an agreement with the Water Works, Sewer & Gas Board of Section (Section-Dutton Water) for the installation of an emergency generator and a SCADA upgrade at the Antioch booster pump station.

Mr. Black made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Wootten. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Resolution:

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**LESTER BLACK
DISTRICT IV**

**RESOLUTION No. 22-0809-02
TO AUTHORIZE THE ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS
FOR ELIGIBLE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT
WATER WORKS, SEWER & GAS BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SECTION
ANTIOCH BOOSTER PUMP STATION GENERATOR AND SCADA UPGRADE**

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used for necessary investments in water and sewer infrastructure ("eligible water and sewer ARPA infrastructure projects"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 603(c)(3) of the ARPA, PL 117-2, March 11, 2021, 135 Stat 4, the County may transfer ARPA funds to municipalities, water and sewer authorities, and other public third-party providers ("third-party providers") in order to make these necessary investments; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified, with assistance from an independent consultant, an eligible ARPA infrastructure project to serve the County's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into an agreement with the Water Works, Sewer & Gas Board of the Town of Section (Section-Dutton Water), a public utility, to carry out the ARPA infrastructure project for a public purpose;

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the project is a necessary, eligible, and reasonable use of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the County will conduct a satisfactory risk assessment of Section-Dutton Water and develop a monitoring plan for the ARPA infrastructure project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY as follows:

1) The President of the DeKalb County Commission shall assign a Project Monitor to ensure compliance with federal guidance, the ARPA award, consistent with the County's implementation plan.

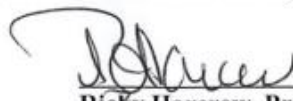
2) The County hereby conditionally allocates up to \$90,000 of its ARPA funds to cover part or all of the construction costs associated with an infrastructure project to install an LP gas powered emergency backup generator and a SCADA upgrade at the Antioch booster pump station, which supplies water to the Fyffe and Geraldine storage tanks.

3) This allocation is conditioned upon meeting federal requirements as set forth in paragraph 4 and further review of cost estimates of the project.

4) Following the successful completion of a risk assessment and development of a monitoring plan, the County is hereby directed to negotiate with Section-Dutton Water to establish a subaward agreement consistent with this resolution and the terms and conditions of the County's ARPA Award.

5) ARPA funds will not be obligated or expended for an eligible water or sewer infrastructure project prior to the Commission's adoption of a resolution authorizing the terms and conditions of the subaward.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the DeKalb County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 9th day of August, 2022.



Ricky Harcrow, President
DeKalb County Commission

ATTESTED BY:




Matt G. Sharp County Administrator

ARPA-Crossville Water-Hwy 68 Waterline Project Resolution—Mr. Harris addressed the Commission requesting the Commission adopt a Resolution giving authorization to allocate ARPA funds and enter into an agreement with Crossville Waterworks Board to carry out the ARPA Infrastructure waterline replacement project off HWY 68 and connecting to existing waterlines.

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Wootten. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Resolution:

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**LESTER BLACK
DISTRICT IV**

**RESOLUTION No. 22-0809-03
TO AUTHORIZE THE ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS
FOR ELIGIBLE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT
CROSSVILLE WATER – REPLACEMENT OF 6” CAST IRON WATER LINE UNDER
AL HWY 68 FROM JUSTICE STREET TO HALL STREET AND CONNECTION OF
EXISTING LINES AT MILL CREEK ROAD & GEORGE STREET**

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used for necessary investments in water and sewer infrastructure ("eligible water and sewer ARPA infrastructure projects"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 603(c)(3) of the ARPA, PL 117-2, March 11, 2021, 135 Stat 4, the County may transfer ARPA funds to municipalities, water and sewer authorities, and other public third-party providers ("third-party providers") in order to make these necessary investments; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified, with assistance from an independent consultant, an eligible ARPA infrastructure project to serve the County's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into an agreement with the Crossville Waterworks Board (CWB), a public utility, to carry out the ARPA infrastructure project for a public purpose;

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the project is a necessary, eligible, and reasonable use of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the County will conduct a satisfactory risk assessment of the CWB and develop a monitoring plan for the ARPA infrastructure project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY as follows:

1) The President of the DeKalb County Commission shall assign a Project Monitor to ensure compliance with federal guidance, the ARPA award, consistent with the County's implementation plan.


2) The County hereby conditionally allocates up to \$300,000 of its ARPA funds to cover part or all of the construction costs associated with an infrastructure project to replace the 6" cast iron line under Alabama Hwy 68 which was installed in 1946. The project will include 700lf of 8" PVC; 660lf of 6" PVC; and 180lf of 4" PVC. It will also include boring and casing 440lf of 12" and 10" steel casing.

3) This allocation is conditioned upon meeting federal requirements as set forth in paragraph 4 and further review of cost estimates of the project.

4) Following the successful completion of a risk assessment and development of a monitoring plan, the County is hereby directed to negotiate with the CWB to establish a subaward agreement consistent with this resolution and the terms and conditions of the County's ARPA Award.

5) ARPA funds will not be obligated or expended for an eligible water or sewer infrastructure project prior to the Commission's adoption of a resolution authorizing the terms and conditions of the subaward.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the DeKalb County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 9th day of August, 2022.



Ricky Harcrow, President
DeKalb County Commission

ATTESTED BY:




Matt G. Sharp County Administrator

ARPA – NE Water – CR 180 Waterline Extension – Amended Resolution—Mr. Sharp addressed the Commission requesting an additional \$125 in ARPA funds for a previously passed Water Infrastructure Project on CR 180 (Resolution 22-0614-10) stating the cost of the project had exceeded the original estimated cost.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve. Mr. Kuykendall seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Resolution:

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**CHRIS KUYKENDALL
DISTRICT III**

**LESTER BLACK
DISTRICT IV**

**RESOLUTION No. 22-0809-06
TO AMEND RESOLUTION No. 22-0614-10
TO AUTHORIZE ARPA FUNDS FOR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE
NE ALABAMA WATER – CR 180**

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used for necessary investments in water and sewer infrastructure ("eligible water and sewer ARPA infrastructure projects"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 603(c)(3) of the ARPA, PL 117-2, March 11, 2021, 135 Stat 4, the County may transfer ARPA funds to municipalities, water and sewer authorities, and other public third-party providers ("third-party providers") in order to make these necessary investments; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously adopted a resolution (Resolution No. 22-0614-10) to award funding of \$250,000 of its ARPA funds to cover part or all of the construction costs relating to an infrastructure project on CR 180 to replace approximately 14,000lf of 3" and 2.5" PVC waterlines with new 6" PVC pipe; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on August 4, 2022, with the low bid being in the amount of \$536,835.00;

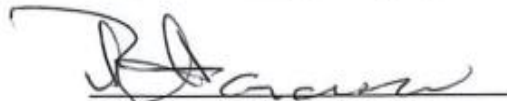
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY as follows:

- 1) The President of the DeKalb County Commission shall assign a Project Monitor to ensure compliance with federal guidance, the ARPA award, consistent with the County's implementation plan.
- 2) The County hereby conditionally allocates an additional \$125,000 of its ARPA funds to cover part or all of the construction costs associated with an infrastructure project as noted above.
- 3) This allocation is conditioned upon meeting federal requirements as set forth in paragraph 4 and further review of cost estimates of the project.

4) Following the successful completion of a risk assessment and development of a monitoring plan, the County is hereby directed to negotiate with the Northeast Alabama Water Sewer and Fire Protection Board to establish a subaward agreement consistent with this resolution and the terms and conditions of the County's ARPA Award.

5) ARPA funds will not be obligated or expended for an eligible water or sewer infrastructure project prior to the Commission's adoption of a resolution authorizing the terms and conditions of the subaward.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the DeKalb County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 9th day of August, 2022.


Ricky Harcrow, President
DeKalb County Commission

ATTESTED BY:



Matt G. Sharp County Administrator

Opioid Litigation McKesson & J & J Settlement Resolution—County Administrator Matt Sharp asked the Commission to adopt a Resolution authorizing DeKalb County to join the State of Alabama and other Local Governments in the McKesson and J&J Opioid settlements.

President Harcrow asked for a motion to approve the request. Mr. Kuykendall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wooten. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following Opioid Litigation McKesson & J & J Settlement Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-0809-04

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DEKALB COUNTY TO JOIN THE STATE OF ALABAMA AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS PARTICIPANTS IN CURRENT AND FUTURE OPIOID SETTLEMENTS

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic continues to impact communities in the United States, the State of Alabama, and DeKalb County, Alabama.

WHEREAS, DeKalb County has suffered harm and will continue to suffer harm as a result of the opioid epidemic;

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama and some Alabama local governments have filed lawsuits against opioid manufacturers, distributors, and retailers (“Opioid Litigation”);

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has entered into various Settlement Agreements and are likely to enter into additional agreements in the future which include the claims for the State of Alabama’s local governments;

WHEREAS the DeKalb County finds the terms of the current Settlement Agreements acceptable and in the best interest of the community and anticipates the terms of the future Settlement Agreements to be similarly acceptable;

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has prepared and presented Settlement Sign-On Agreements to the local governments and DeKalb County finds the terms of the Sign-On Agreement acceptable and in the best interest of the community;

WHEREAS, the current and future Settlement Agreements and Sign-On Agreements will detail the allocation of Settlement Funds, which DeKalb County finds acceptable and in the best interest of the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY COMMISSION OF DEKALB COUNTY, ALABAMA,

Section 1. That DeKalb County finds that participation in the various Opioid Settlements, Settlement Agreement and Sign-On Agreement is in the best interest of DeKalb County and its citizens because such a plan would ensure an effective structure for the commitment of Settlement Funds to abate and seek to resolve the opioid epidemic.

Section 2. That DeKalb County hereby expresses its support for the Settlement of various Opioid claims and allocation and use of Settlement Funds as generally described in the Settlement Agreement and Sign-On Agreement.

Section 3. That DeKalb County's Chairperson ("Commission President") is hereby expressly authorized to execute the Settlement Sign-On Agreements and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to execute any formal agreements necessary to implement the Settlements and plan for the allocation and use of Settlement Funds.

Section 4. That the Commission President is hereby expressly authorized to execute any formal agreement and related documents evidencing DeKalb County's agreement to the settlement of claims and litigation related to the Opioid Epidemic.

Section 5. That the Commission President is authorized to take such other action as necessary and appropriate to effectuate DeKalb County's participation in any Settlement related to the Opioid Epidemic.

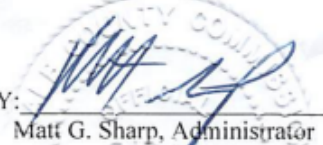
Section 6. This Resolution is effective upon adoption, the welfare of DeKalb County, Alabama requiring it.

ADOPTED this 9th day of August, 2022



Ricky Harcrow, Commission President

ATTESTED BY:



Matt G. Sharp, Administrator

Budget Update—County Administrator Matt Sharp gave a brief overview on the upcoming fiscal year budget. The budget will be approximately \$25 million and will include a 4% COLA for all employees, and the normal annual step raises.

President Harcrow notified the audience that the next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 and asked for a motion to adjourn.

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

Ricky Harcrow, President

Shane Wootten, Commissioner District 1

Terry Harris, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Lester Black, Commissioner District IV