

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday December 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were Shane Wootten serving as President Pro tem, Terry Harris, Ron Saferite, and Lester Black. Absent was President Ricky Harcrow.

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The meeting was called to order by President Pro tem Shane Wootten with Mr. Broyles delivering the invocation and Mr. Black leading the Pledge.

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

Mr. Wootten stated that President Harcrow is absent due to the swearing in ceremony in Montgomery for his recently elected position on the State Retirement Board and offered congratulations on behalf of the Commission.

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### **Road Department**

Update—Mr. Broyles gave a brief update stating that the Bridge on CR 386 in Kilpatrick is now open for traffic and crews are busy patching potholes in all four districts.

Trucks-DeKalb County Proposal –March 2023—Mr. Broyles stated that it is time to do a Proposal for the County’s Road Trucks for the March 2023 Auction. He stated that if the new trucks are not available by the March auction, Woods Auction Company has guaranteed the same proposal for selling at the June Auction, if necessary. He requested authorization for President Harcrow to sign the necessary documents accepting the proposal and return to J.M. Wood Auction Company. Proposal would guarantee more than the purchase price for the Trucks.

Mr. Black made a motion. Mr. Harris seconded the motion, all members voting affirmatively to approve.

Equipment Purchase—Mr. Broyles requested permission to bid out a Savage Tractor/Bush Cutter using funds received from insurance, and to purchase two (2) John Deere Tractor from State Bid (\$101,105.12/each) and two (2) Tiger Bush Cutter Boom Mowers from the Sourcewell Bid (\$83,185.96/each)

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the purchase and bid for these machines. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

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### **Engineer**

Engineers Contract—Mr. Sharp requested the Commission renew the contract for County Engineer Ben Luther for two years ending December 31, 2024.

Mr. Black made a motion to approve. Mr. Saferite seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Chevrolet Trucks Bid Award—Mr. Luther stated that proposals were recently sent out for one or more 2023 Chevy Pick-up trucks for the Road Department and requested the Commission’s permission to purchase six (6)/RST’s and six (6) work trucks from Donohoo Chevrolet. The new trucks will be replacing existing trucks being sent to Auction.

Mr. Black made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Harris. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to award the bids for the 12 trucks to Donohoo.

Motor Grader Repair Bid Award—Mr. Luther presented Motor Grader Repair bids and requested permission to award the bid to Thompson Tractor (\$36,769.98) for the repair of a 2008 Motor Grader.

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. Mr. Saferite seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to award repair bid.

Amend FY2023 County Transportation Plan—Mr. Luther presented the amended FY2023 County Transportation Plan to the Commission. This plan would add the estimated carryover balance of \$231,882.16 in CRAF Funds and \$712,803.60 in FAEF Funds. The plan also added projects:

CR 805 (CR 155 to CR 843)	District 1	\$55,525.00 (CRAF - \$51,311.33)
CR 119 (CR 27 to CR 85)	District 4	\$78,192.00 (all CRAF)
CR 33 (CR 72 to CR 326)	District 4	\$60,684.00 (all CRAF)
CR 445 (CR 44 to Dead End)	District 4	\$41,694.83 (all CRAF)

Mr. Saferite made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Black. All members voting affirmatively accepting the amended Transportation Plan.

CR-835 Repairs Final Report—Mr. Luther addressed the Commission giving a final report on the completion of CR-835 stating that the total cost of this project for Labor, equipment and materials was \$2,941,044.07 (with reimbursements of \$2,352,835.51).

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**Sheriff’s Office**—Sheriff Welden request the Commission to approve the personnel items:

Resignations: Cindy Hutt (FT Dispatch), Sidney McCay (FT Dispatch)

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. Mr. Saferite Seconded the Motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Hire: Kyley Flippo (FT) Dispatch to replace Cindy Hutt  
Rita Burt (FT) Dispatch to replace Sidney McCay

Mathew Walker (PT) Dispatch

Jessica Johnson (FT Corrections Officer)

Yennifer Canales (Medical, PT EMT) to replaces Cindy Minton, RN

Transfer: Katie Monroe from PT to FT Dispatch

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**COA-Senior Rx Program Update**—Ms. Callahan presented handouts to the Commission for the Senior Rx program Quarterly Reports for FY21-22. She introduced Ms. Lynn Hixon who is head of the SHIP Department (Medicare/Medicade program) and also assists Ms. Callahan with the Senior Rx Program.

Mr. Wootten and the Commissioners thanked Ms. Callahan, Ms. Hixon and the entire COA staff for their dedication to our Seniors and Senior Rx Program which has saved nearly \$2.5 million in prescription drugs for DeKalb County residents during the 2022FY.

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**Resolution—Liability Insurance Renewal**—Mr. Sharp, County Administrator, addressed the Commission stating that every three years the Commission is required to adopt a resolution renewing the County's Liability Insurance with CRS. Mr. Sharp requested the Commission adopt the Resolution to renew.

Mr. Saferite made a motion to approve. Mr. Harris seconded the Motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to Adopt the following Resolution:



ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONS OF ALABAMA  
LIABILITY SELF-INSURANCE FUND, INC.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, DeKalb County is a member of the Association of County Commissions of Alabama Liability Self-Insurance Fund, Inc. ("Liability Fund") for the contract period ending Dec. 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the County's participation in the Liability Fund has been a significant benefit to the County since becoming a member; and

WHEREAS, the representation and service provided by the Liability Fund continues to be in the best interest of DeKalb County and its officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, DeKalb County would benefit by agreeing to extend its participation in the Liability Fund for an additional three-year period beginning Jan. 1, 2024 and concluding Dec. 31, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the DeKalb County Commission that it renews its participation in the Liability Fund for calendar years 2024 through 2026 and hereby directs its Chair to immediately execute the 2024-2026 ACCA Liability Self-Insurance Fund, Inc. Participation Agreement.

Adopted this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022.

  
County Commission Chairperson

**Holiday Calendar**—Mr. Sharp presented the 2023 Holiday Calendar as follows and asked for the Commission's approval to accept.

It was moved by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Black, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to adopt the following Holiday Schedule for 2023:

NEW YEARS DAY	MONDAY, JANUARY 2
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR/ ROBERT E. LEE	MONDAY, JANUARY 16

