

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday April 9, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were President Harcrow, Shane Wootten, Terry Harris, Ron Saferite, and Lester Black.

The meeting was called to order by President Harcrow with Mr. Harcrow delivering the Invocation, and Mr. Saferite leading the Pledge.

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.

Prior to the normal business of the County Commission, President Harcrow allowed Lebanon resident Wayne Killian to address the County Commission again in regards to the Permit Modification at the Sand Valley Landfill (Mr. Killian spoke at the public hearing on February 9). Mr. Killian noted that he has been a life-long resident of the Lebanon Community and was concerned about additional waste at the landfill as well as additional acreage being used as a landfill near Wills Creek where he grew up playing as a boy. He noted that his great grandfather W.T. Killian and family had moved to the Lebanon Community in 1842. The Killian family has lived in the community ever since. He served in Vietnam and was exposed to Agent Orange and wanted to make sure future generations could enjoy the Lebanon Community and Wills Creek just as he did as a boy without being exposed to hazardous waste.

Mr. Harcrow thanked him for speaking and continued with the business of the County Commission.

Road Superintendent—President Harcrow addressed the Commission making the recommendation to hire Mr. Tim Young as Road Superintendent replacing Tom Broyles who recently retired. He stated that Mr. Young has been working as an assistant to Mr. Broyles for some time and has proven qualified to serve in this roll.

Mr. Saferite made a motion to honor the recommendation. Mr. Black seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to hire Tim Young as the new County Road Superintendent.

Road Department

Update—Mr. Young gave an update stating that crews have been clipping shoulders in District 3, reclaiming roads in District 2 and patching in all four districts. The Liquid Asphalt Tank has been set at the District 2 location.

Personnel—Mr. Young requested permission to hire Leon Welden (replaces Gary Scroggins).

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Black. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Equipment—Mr. Young requested permission to send out bids for a used Track hoe. He stated that the current Track hoe is over sixteen years old and in need of being replaced. It is expected that the winning bidder will trade-in the old equipment and reduce the cost of the newer one.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Harris. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Engineer

Award Pipe Liner Bid—Mr. Luther presented bid tabs opened on March 20, 2024 for the Installation of HDPE Pipe Liners at Various Locations within the County. Lambert, Inc. presented the only bid for a grand total of \$618, 423.70. Mr. Luther made the recommendation to award the bid to Lambert, Inc.

Mr. Wootten made a motion to accept the recommendation. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried (Note: a portion of this will be expended from ARPA Funds).

Sheriff's Office

Jail Personnel—Chief Deputy Edmondson requested approval for the following personnel items

- Accept the resignation of Heather Love effective 04/04/2024 and Gary Clifton, effective 04/11/2024.
- Hire Logan Padgett and Promote Ethan Pike to the position of Sergeant
- Request permission for Tammy Mason and Tracie Hamilton to attend the Spring Corrections Conference in Gulf Shores

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

COA Personnel—On behalf of Ms. McCamy, County Administrator Matt Sharp requested the Commission's approval to accept the resignation of Deloria Juanzetta White (Fyffe Senior Center Manager) and Erica Orr (Rainsville Senior Center Manager); and to hire Brenda Gail Womack (replaces Ms. White/Fyffe Mgr.) and Nedra Denise Sharpley to replace Ms. Orr as the Rainsville Mgr).

Mr. Wootten made a motion to grant the request. Seconded by Mr. Harris. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

TARCOG SHIP Contract— Mr. Sharp presented the Council on Aging TARCOG SHIP contract at the request of Ms. McCamy and asked for the Commission's authorization to execute the 25-SHIP-Dek-1 contract

Mr. Harris made a motion, seconded by Mr. Black, all members voting affirmatively, motion carried granting President Harcrow and County Administrator Matt Sharp authorization to sign the aforementioned contract (on file in the COA Office).

Board Appointment—President Harcrow made the recommendation to the Commission to retroactively re-appoint Mr. Chris Bryant to the Economic Development Board from October 1, 2023 (term expires Oct. 2027).

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Saferite seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively motion carried to re-appoint Mr. Bryant.

Resolution-Spirit of '76 Calendar Coordination—President Harcrow at the request of the Town of Collinsville, asked the Commission to adopt the 250th Anniversary Spirit of '76 Calendar Coordination in DeKalb County to assist in awareness of and planning for this event.

Mr. Saferite made a motion to approve. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to adopt the following resolution:

DeKalb County Commission

RESOLUTION

250TH Anniversary of 1776 Spirit of '76 Calendar Coordination in DeKalb County

WHEREAS, on this date April 9, 2024 we the DeKalb County Commission do declare the period 2024 to 2026 as the Spirit of '76 Calendar of Events time leading up to the 250th Anniversary of 1776 and

WHEREAS, the 250th Anniversary of 1776 is right around the corner in 2026, many civic and school events, news articles and programs will take place in the next three years and

WHEREAS, participation in public awareness will assist in understanding throughout Northeast Alabama, and for visitors and

WHEREAS, there is great value in coordinating calendars of events of civic and heritage groups, school schedules, civic parades and exhibits

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the DeKalb County Commission, do adopt this resolution to assist in awareness of and planning for this event


Ricky Harcrow, President


Matt Sharp, Administrator

Solid Waste Management (10 Year) Plan—President Harcrow presented to the Commission the following Resolution for the DeKalb County Solid Waste Management Plan and requested authorization to sign.

Mr. Saferite made a motion to approve. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to sign and adopt the following Resolution: (It was noted that a vote on the Modification to the GEK Landfill Permit would be made at the next meeting):

STATE OF ALABAMA

RESOLUTION NO. 24-0409-01

COUNTY OF DEKALB

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT DEKALB COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission is required by the Alabama Solid Wastes and Recyclable Materials Management Act (SWRMMA), Code of Alabama 1975, § 22-27-1 et seq., as amended, to periodically prepare and adopt a plan for solid waste management within the DeKalb County boundaries;


WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission has retained the engineering firm of Promus Engineering to prepare the required revised Solid Waste Management Plan, and has conducted a public hearing preceded by the required public notice and public comment period to solicit input, and has considered citizen comments in the development of the revised Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan must be adopted through a resolution by the County Commission before submittal to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the DeKalb County Commission adopts the *Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for DeKalb County, Alabama*, dated April 2024, and that this Solid Waste Management Plan will serve as the basis for solid waste management within DeKalb County from the date of adoption through December 31, 2034, unless amended prior to that date, and until adoption of a subsequent revised Solid Waste Management Plan.

DONE this 9th day of April, 2024.

DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSION


Ricky Harcrow, Chairman

Attested by:



President Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting will be on Tuesday April 23, 2024 and asked for a Motion to adjourn.

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

Ricky Harcrow, President

Shane Wootten, Commissioner District I

Terry Harris, Commissioner District II

Ron Saferite, Commissioner District III

Lester Black, Commissioner District IV