

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, May 28, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the DeKalb County Activities Building (Courthouse Annex). Those present were Ricky Harcrow, President, Shane Wootten, Derek Caldwell, Chris Kuykendall and Dewitt Jackson. Those absent were none.

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

It was moved by Mr. Wootten, seconded by Mr. Caldwell, 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 – Mr. Broyles

Maintenance Update

Crews are still working on pot holes and both patch trucks are working every day. Some of the district crews are putting mix out. The first round of mowing is complete and the first round of herbicide should finish up this week, depending on the weather. A crew is hauling some treated base material today for a dead end road in District 4 near Powell, and another crew is hauling material to a road in District 1 that is almost complete. A crew is also hauling liquid calcium chloride for our ADECA Roads.

Personnel—(four posted openings)

Mr. Broyles recommended the following to fill said positions:

Waylon Scott Rowell for Unit Crew
Joel (Joe) Alan Herren—District 2
Shelton Dewayne Driskill—District 3
David Wayne Pack—District 4

It was moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Wootten, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to hire the above personnel in the Road Department at G5/3.

Surplus Equipment Vehicles

Mr. Broyles asked the Commission to surplus the following equipment:

CC10 Pickup truck	Serial #ZIRZ173848
Blazer	Serial #1GNDDT13W92K226597
CT9259 Pickup truck	Serial #1GCDC1429PZ138052
CT8050 INTERNATIONAL Service Truck	Serial # AR1828HB11136
CE7723 FORD Tractor	Serial # C535028

It was moved by Mr. Wootten and seconded by Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to declare these vehicles as surplus and to allow Mr. Broyles to dispose of at his discretion.

Damage Claim - Matt Sharp

Mr. Sharp notified the Commission of a damage claim from Diana Bethune from Highway 75. Her claim states that one of the County's patching trucks caused damage to her vehicle on CR 155 resulting in approximately \$2,000 damage. Mr. Sharp recommended the Commission send this claim to Meadowbrook ASI insurance company for final disposition.

It was moved by Mr. Wootten, seconded by Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to forward the damage claim to the County's insurance carrier.

Surface Treatment (ADECA Road Grant) Bid Award—Ben Luther

Mr. Luther stated that this project is for our first ADECA Grant that is being used to reconstruct area roads from the April 2011 storm damage. The final surface treatment is one of the items being required to be bid out. Bids were opened on May 20th and only one bid (from Charles E. Watts) was received. The estimated yardage of resurfacing is 173,079 yards. At a bid price of \$3.09 per yard gives a total bid price of \$534,814.11. Ms. Kim Erwin (with Morton Associations managing the CDBG Grant) was here for the bid opening. Mr. Luther recommended the County accept the bid award. From Charles E. Watts, Inc.

It was moved by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Wootten, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to award the ADECA Surface Treatment bid to Charles E. Watts, Inc.

Backhoe Bid Award - Ben Luther

Mr. Luther stated that on Thursday of last week (May 22) he opened bids for two (2) 12ton backhoe trailers for the Road Department. Three bids were received from Cowen Equipment; Heavy Machinery & Tractor; and Econoline (See Bid File for Bid Sheet). The low bid was Heavy Machinery & Tractor with a bid of \$10,941.50/trailer. There is a six-week delivery schedule.

It was moved by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Kuykendall, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to accept Mr. Luther's recommendation to award the bid to Heavy Machinery & Tractor for the purchase of two 12ton backhoe trailers.

ATRIP Project - Ben Luther

Mr. Luther stated that as part of Federal Aide Resurfacing Projects the County would need to have project personnel on the project to do inspections. At a minimum it takes two people. Since there is only two people currently working in the Engineer's Office, there is a need to hire an outside consultant for the CR 27 ATRIP Project. Mr. Luther recommended Gonzales & Associates from Birmingham to provide inspection services at a maximum cost of \$147,943 on those three projects for CR 27. He did note that there would be an 80/20 reimbursement for this work.

It was moved by Mr. Kuykendall, seconded by Mr. Jackson, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to contract with Gonzales & Associates for inspection services for the CR 27 ATRIP Project.

Mr. Wootten asked Mr. Luther about the washouts on CR 631. Mr. Luther stated that it was inspected last week by a Project Specialist and that is in the process of writing the project work sheets which should be completed by the end of the week followed by one other inspection by a mitigation specialist. At that point materials can be ordered work started.

EMA Disaster Grant Update - Michael Posey

IAPA Report - Total approved IHP (Individual Housing Program) \$57,321.87 - These numbers change daily as information is relayed to FEMA, therefore FEMA could very likely issue a number different from this.

Total run-down of the state – Nine (9) Counties have been approved/declared for the IA (Individual Assistance) for a total of about \$12.8 million with approximately 9,000 (+) registrations.

The PA (Public Assistance) Process - Over 80 applicants in 18 Counties have a PDA amount of \$38 million. Any mitigation money that does become available will be 15% of whatever the total PDA number ends up at. Should it be today at \$38 million, and HMGP money is approved, it would be approximately \$5.7 million. Kelly Alexander, Chief Mitigation Officer stated that an estimate of the type of HMGP money estimated should be available by the middle of next week. The EMA Office is currently working on grants for some of the towns and communities that have expressed interest in storm shelters if and when the money becomes available. Information will be available after 90 days (post disaster) to what and where money will be appropriated.

PDA numbers for the County - Just over \$3million in CAT A, B and C (debris, emergency protective services, roads) have been estimated in DeKalb County. The Joint DRC in Etowah Co. has closed. Citizens may still register for assistance until July 1 by calling FEMA at 1- 800-621-3362 or register On-line at www.fema.gov or www.disasterassistance.gov. A Request for Public Assistance was filed by Mr. Clifton (which had a registration deadline of June 12).

Mr. Harcrow thanked Mr. Posey and the EMA Office for their hard work during this process.

Debris Work - Bobby Ridgeway

Mr. Ridgeway is supervising temporary monitors of contract debris cleanup. He stated that contract hauling of vegetation began on Wednesday of last week (May 21) after training Monday and Tuesday (May 19 & 20). This morning the crews started hauling C & D at 5:30am along with vegetation, and should complete the first pass by days end at 7:00 pm. At present the contractor has hauled a total of 15,361 cu yds of vegetation which is a little lower than anticipated due to some communities taking care of their own disposal. The sheriff's department has had the inmates picking up debris which has made the process go quicker. Mr. Ridgeway said he was impressed with the job the Crowder Gulf and their sub-contractor(s) were doing.

Mr. Harcrow commended Mr. Ridgeway and thanked him for "volunteering" to supervise the monitors. He also said he was glad to hear that the work was being expedited. Mr. Sharp noted that today was the 30th day post-disaster and everything up to this point would be reimbursed at 85% (federal) and would drop to 80% (federal) from the 31st day to the 90th day. Mr. Wootten also expressed the Commission's appreciation to the crew for getting as much debris hauled as possible at 85%.

Library Personnel - Matt Sharp

Mr. Sharp stated that Library Director Elizabeth Tucker had requested moving Lisa Hawkins from part-time to full-time at 32hrs/week and to pay insurance/retirement from Library funds. He noted that it had been approved by the Library Board.

It was moved by Mr. Wootten, seconded by Mr. Caldwell, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to approve the move of Lisa Hawkins from a part-time to full-time position at the Library at 32hrs/week.

Back to School Sales Tax Holiday Resolution - Mr. Harcrow

Mr. Harcrow stated that every year by July 1st (since it started), the Commission has adopted a Resolution notifying the State Department of Revenue of the County's participation in the "Back To School Sales Tax Holiday". The tax holiday will be from August 1-3, 2014, and includes school supplies, clothes, eligible computer and other technical devices to be used for students in schools.

It was moved by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Jackson, all members voting affirmatively, motion carrying to adopt the following Sales Tax Holiday Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 14-0528-02
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR DeKALB COUNTY'S
PARTICIPATION IN THE "SALES TAX HOLIDAY"
AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT NO. 2006-574 IN AUGUST 2014

WHEREAS, during its 2006 Regular Session, the Alabama Legislature enacted Act No. 2006-574, effective July 1, 2006, which provides an exemption of the state sales and use tax for certain non-commercial purchases related to school clothing and supplies during the first full weekend in August of each year; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 2006-574 authorizes the county commission to provide for an exemption of county sales and use taxes for purchases of items covered by the Act during the same time period in which the state sales and use tax exemption is in place, provided a resolution to that effect is adopted at least thirty days prior to 12:01 a.m. on the first Friday in August; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commission has affirmatively voted to grant the exemption of county sales and use taxes on purchases covered by Act No. 2006-574 during the first weekend of August 2014, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on August 1, 2014 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, August 3, 2014, the first full weekend of August in 2013; and

WHEREAS, *Code of Alabama 1975, § 11-51-210(c)* requires that the county commission notify the Alabama Department of Revenue of any new local tax or amendment to an existing local tax levy at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change; and

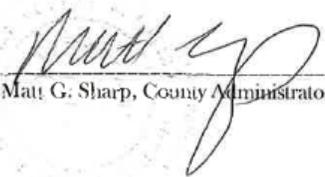
WHEREAS, the exemption of certain county sales and use taxes for the first full weekend of August 2013 herein adopted by the county commission is an amendment to the county's sales and use tax levy warranting notice to the Alabama Department of Revenue as provided in *Code of Alabama 1975, § 11-51-210(c)*;

WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DeKALB COUNTY COMMISSION that it does hereby provide for an exemption of the county sales and use tax on purchases of items covered by Act No. 2006-574 beginning at 12:01 a.m. on August 1, 2014 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, August 3, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the May 28, 2014 meeting of the DeKalb County Commission, and be immediately forwarded to the Alabama Department of Revenue in compliance with *Code of Alabama 1975, § 11-51-210(c)*.

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 this the 28th day of May 2014.

ATTEST


Matt G. Sharp, County Administrator


Ricky Harcrow, Commission President

Mr. Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, June 10. He 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

Derek Caldwell, Commissioner District II

Chris Kuykendall, Commissioner District III

Dewitt Jackson, Commissioner District IV