

The DeKalb County Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 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.

The meeting was called to order by President Harcrow with Mr. Wootten delivering the invocation and Mr. 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—Mr. Broyles stated that due to the Christmas Day flooding many roads across the county received extensive damage; six of eighteen remain closed. Mr. Broyles stated that these roads will require the installation of new pipe (which has been ordered), and back filled before any travel is possible.

Of the four districts, District 3 roads suffered the least damage having mainly suffered the loss of base and surface materials. District 2's unpaved roads suffered severe damage with the loss of chert on these roads. Mr. Broyles stated that he is hopeful in getting some type of assistance to aid in repairing "unpaved roads". Mr. Broyles stated that crews will be working on the six "closed" roads, doing prep work and removing all existing pipe to speed up the process of installing new pipe when it is delivered.

Mr. Broyles stated that in addition to working on the flood damaged roads, crews are continuing to try and keep up with regular maintenance.

President Harcrow commented that assessments have been made and that the County has met its threshold as far as money is concerned on the State and Federal level. He expects to hear something by the end of the week concerning Public Assistance Grants.

In addition to the maintenance update Mr. Broyles notified the Commission that four of the county's new dump trucks were delivered on Monday, with four more expected today and the remaining four by weeks end. He also mentioned that the four road tractors should be delivered in February.

Personnel—Mr. Broyles asked the Commission to accept the resignation of Leon Welden effective January 21st and requested approval to post the position.

Mr. Jackson made the Motion. Seconded by Mr. Kuykendall. All members voting affirmatively to accept Mr. Welden's resignation and for the position to be posted (Equip Operator I – G5/3).

Bid Award—Mr. Luther stated that on January 5th bids were opened for a truck mountable spray injection machine (Durapatcher). The only bid received was from Coblenz Equipment & Parts with a bid price of \$83,780. Estimated delivery time is approximately 60 days from the date of the purchase order. Mr. Luther made the recommendation to the Commission to award this bid to Coblenz Equipment.

A Motion was made by Mr. Jackson. Seconded by Mr. Kuykendall to award the Durapatcher bid to Coblenz Equipment & Parts. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried. Mr. Luther also notified the Commission that bid packages have been sent out for a used truck that will be used to mount the patch unit on. Bid opening is scheduled for February 4th @ 1 pm.

Road Vacation-District 3 (CR 293):—Mr. Luther presented a Road Vacation request from Roger Martin for an abandoned right-of-way section of an old road bed that runs across the Martin property in the Lebanon community (District 3). Mr. Luther stated that the property on both sides is owned by Mr. Martin and made the recommendation to vacate the right-of-way.

Mr. Kuykendall made the Motion stating it is in the best interest of the County, Community & Law Enforcement to vacate and permanently close this section of road right-of way. Mr. Caldwell Seconded

the Motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried to start the process of vacating a portion of CR 293.

Road Vacation-District 2—Mr. Luther made the recommendation to vacate an abandoned portion of CR 328. The abandoned right-of-way is due to a past ATRIP road re-alignment project.

Mr. Caldwell made the Motion to grant the request to begin the process of vacating an abandoned right-of-way portion of CR 328. Mr. Wootten Seconded the Motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Travel/Training—Mr. Luther requested approval to attend the Road Supervisors Training February 1-2, in Prattville.

A Motion was made by Mr. Jackson. Seconded by Mr. Kuykendall. All members voting affirmatively, Motion carried to approve travel/training for the County Engineer.

Sheriff's Office—Chief Edmondson

Personnel—Chief Edmondson requested approval to transfer Jonathan Langley from Jail Medical Supervisor to Chief Jail Administrator (replaces Matt Martin).

A Motion was made by Mr. Caldwell. Seconded by Mr. Wootten to transfer **Jonathan Langley** from Jail Medical Supervisor to Chief Jail Administrator. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried. (Note: Nurse and Jail Administrator are currently on the same payscale).

Chief Edmondson requested approval to transfer John Smith from Part-Time to Full Time Medical Staff (LPN – G7A/1)

A Motion was made by Mr. Jackson. Seconded by Mr. Kuykendall to promote **John Smith** to Full-Time Medical Staff Personnel (and move his paygrade from G6A/1 to G7A/1). All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Chief Edmondson requested approval to hire 3 part-time Medical Staff Personnel (2) RN's & (1) LPN to replace Jonathan Langley who was Full-time.

A Motion was made by Mr. Kuykendall granting the request to hire **Carrie Beason, RN** and **Shelanne Whited, RN** as Part-Time Medical Staff (at \$18/hr). The motion also included hiring **(1) LPN** (to be named later). Mr. Caldwell Seconded the Motion. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Chief Edmondson requested approval to hire Jerry Fortner as Part-Time Deputy to replace Nick Welden who resigned.

A Motion was made by Mr. Kuykendall. Seconded by Mr. Jackson granting the request to hire **Jerry Fortner** as Part-Time Deputy (G8/1). All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Chief Edmondson requested approval to transfer Dustin Jones from Full-Time corrections Officer to Full-Time Deputy to replace Leland Chandler who retired.

A Motion was made by Mr. Wootten granting the request to transfer **Dustin Jones** to Full-Time Deputy. Motion Seconded by Mr. Caldwell. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried. (Note: Currently Mr. Jones is awaiting certification as a law enforcement officer. He will retain his current correctional officer pay until he earns his certification – he will then be promoted to G8/1).

Revenue Commissioner—Tyler Wilks

Personnel—Mr. Wilks requested approval to promote Angie Pask to Collections Clerk II and to hire Emily Wooten as Part-Time Appraiser.

A Motion was made by Mr. Wootten to grant the request promoting **Angie Pask** to Collection Clerk II (G5/1) and to rehire **Emily Wooten** as Part-Time Appraiser (G7/1). Seconded by Mr. Jackson. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Travel/Training—Mr. Wilks requested permission for Mike Wootten to attend an appraisal class Feb. 8th – 12th that is required before taking the Appraisal State Certification Exam.

Mr. Kuykendall made a Motion to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Caldwell. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

Mr. Wilks requested permission for the following employees to attend the AAAO Conference in Huntsville on March 3rd. (Renee Connell, Kelly Bryan, Debbie Steward, Kathy Hunter, Michael Wootten, Susan Shankles, Beverly Pack and Tyler Wilks).

A Motion was made by Mr. Kuykendall to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Caldwell. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

RPT-Travel/Training—Mr. Sharp

Mr. Sharp requested the Commission's approval for June Brewer and Glenda Crumley to attend the Annual Vehicle Training Workshop in Pelham, January 27-29.

Mr. Jackson made a Motion granting the travel/training request. Seconded by Mr. Wootten. All members voting affirmatively, motion carried.

President Harcrow notified the audience that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, January 26, 2016. He asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Jackson 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