

Cleburne County Commission Meeting Minutes Regular Commission Meeting February 19, 2013 Cleburne County Mountain Center

Roll Call:

Present:

Chairman Ryan Robertson
Commissioner Laura Cobb
Commissioner Emmett Owen
Commissioner Bobby Brooks
Commissioner Benji Langley

Absent:

None

Public Comment from Citizens:

- A) Cleburne County Circuit Clerk Jerry Paul Owen thanked the Commission for use of the previous Commission Office in the courthouse which is now being used for additional court space and an office for the District Attorney. He gave them an update on renovations and additions in the courtroom and discussed concerns of the proposed changes to the compensation of the Absentee Election Managers.

Consent Agenda

The Commission passed the February consent agenda including:

Resolution #4432-1

The Cleburne County Commission hereby resolves to approve the January 2013 minutes as presented.

Resolution #4432-2

The Cleburne County Commission hereby resolves to approve the January 2013 check register.

Resolution #4432-3

Whereas, in the February meeting of each year the Commission acknowledges the County Revenue Commissioner's ad valorem millage rates (see Attachment A) for the upcoming year.

Therefore, millage rates for Cleburne County are acknowledged as being assessed in the following amounts:

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| <u>General Fund</u> | <u>5</u> |
| <u>Public Building, Road & Bridge Fund</u> | <u>2.5</u> |
| <u>Hospital</u> | <u>4</u> |
| <u>Fire</u> | <u>2</u> |
| <u>County Wide School</u> | <u>9</u> |
| <u>School District 1 & 2</u> | <u>8</u> |
| Total County | 30.5 |

Resolution #4432-4

The Cleburne County Commission recognizes the following board appointment statuses as of the February meeting:

Resignations: None

Commission acknowledges the following vacancies:

Cleburne County DHR Board –
Appointment that is set to expire in September 2013
Appointment that is set to expire in September 2017

Impending vacancies:

Cleburne County Water Authority –
Joe Bill Conkle in March 2013
Larry Brown in March 2013

Hospital Board –
Gayle Anderson in April 2013
Rhonda Heard in April 2013
Kay Allen in April 2013

Board Appointments:

Cleburne County DHR Board –
Based upon a group consensus, to appoint Mr. Scott Hanson to the term ending in September 2013;

Based upon a recommendation by the Commission Chairman Ryan Robertson, to appoint Mr. Doug Ford to the term ending in September 2017.

Cleburne County Hospital Board -
Based upon a recommendation by District 1 Commissioner Laura Cobb, to appoint Ms. Beverly Owens to the position currently held by Gayle Anderson upon the expiration of the current term;

Based upon a recommendation by District 2 Commissioner Emmett Owen, to re-appoint Ms. Kay Allen to the position she currently holds upon its expiration in April;

Based upon a recommendation by the Commission Chairman Ryan Robertson, to appoint Mr. Coker Cleveland to the position currently held by Rhonda Heard upon the expiration of the current term.

Resolution #4432-5

Whereas, Alabama Power Company is in the process of acquiring transmission line right of way to serve the new Muscadine district substation, and

Whereas, the Cleburne County Commission owns a parcel of property that will be affected by the new transmission line; and

Whereas, this parcel of property would have approximately .16 acres affected and Alabama Power Company is offering to compensate the county in the amount of \$800 for the use of this right of way.

Therefore, the Cleburne County Commission approves this agreement (Attachment B), and authorizes the County Administrator to sign all documents necessary to implement this agreement.

Resolution #4432-6

Whereas, the Cleburne County Commission owns a 2003 Dodge Ram 2500 truck that was procured by Cleburne County EMA through the CSEP Program; and

Whereas, the vehicle has been assigned over to the Cleburne County Search and Rescue for almost ten years; and

Whereas, the Commission desires for the vehicle to be made surplus for the County so that it can become the property of Cleburne County Search and Rescue for the providing of emergency services to the people of Cleburne County; and

Whereas, the Commission also requires that possession of the vehicle be returned should Cleburne County Search and Rescue ever become dormant or cease to provide services to the people of Cleburne County; and

Therefore, the Commission deems said vehicle to be surplus and directs the County Administrator to take whatever steps necessary to transfer possession of the vehicle to Cleburne County Search and Rescue under the provisions of this resolution.

Resolution #4432-7

Whereas, the Cleburne County Commission has previously authorized the expenditure of specified Tobacco Tax proceeds for District 2 projects in order to fund certain projects for the public good;

Whereas, the District 2 Commissioner has partnered with the City of Heflin towards the construction of a city owned and maintained handicap playground;

Therefore, the Cleburne County Commission, by passing this resolution, hereby recognizes the funding request as one directly applicable to the stated intent of the earmarks included in with the adopting legislation instituting the tax and clears the request so that the expenditure of \$4,000 in funds can be made.

Furthermore, the Commission directs the County Administrator to develop a MOU detailing expectations and understandings of each entity (Commission and City) and authorizes the District 2 Commissioner to implement said agreement on behalf of the Commission.

Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Emmett Owen, Seconded by Commissioner Benji Langley

In Support: Commissioners Laura Cobb, Emmett Owen, Benji Langley, and Bobby Brooks

In Opposition: None

Motion Passed

New Business Agenda

A. Discussion of ADEM's request for Cleburne County to develop a Solid Waste Management Plan

Resolution #4433

The Cleburne County Commission hereby resolves to task the County Administrator with the contractual assistance development of a Solid Waste Management Plan and to amend the County Compliance Budget in the amount of \$5,000.00 to pay for the cost of this plan development.

Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Bobby Brooks, Seconded by Commissioner Emmett Owen

In Support: Commissioners Laura Cobb, Emmett Owen, Benji Langley, Bobby Brooks

In Opposition: None

Motion Passed

B. Discuss awarding of the landfill timber / clearing bid

Resolution #4434

The Cleburne County Commission, after accepting bids through our timber consultant and receiving three bids of which were Ayers Timber, Foothills Timber, and Timber Industries, hereby resolves to award a contract to Ayers Timber for a bid price per ton of \$9.05 for clearing / timber harvest on the county landfill.

Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Emmett Owen, Seconded by Commissioner Benji Langley

In Support: Commissioners Laura Cobb, Emmett Owen, Benji Langley, Bobby Brooks

In Opposition: None

Motion Passed

Discussion items by Chairman and Commissioners

A. There was discussion of discretionary money, however there was no action taken at this time. See the attached memorandum for further aid.

Reports from staff were as follows:

A) County Administrator Steve Swafford presented the Commission with a memorandum for discussion of options for Commission Discretionary Funds. Steve briefed the Commission on 4 possible options for establishing discretionary funds.

B) County Engineer Shannon Robbins updated the Commission with a report on preventive maintenance items, equipment purchases, gas & diesel purchases and Chief Ladiga Trail maintenance. He briefed the Commission on the Federal required annual bridge inspections of the 100 bridges in the county that is due by April 1, 2013. His department is currently conducting these inspections and has completed at least half as of today's meeting. Shannon discussed with the Commission the availability of funds for the RAMP program and the ATRIP project. He also updated the Commission on the State Welcome Center waste treatment project.

C) County Attorney Doug Ghee updated the Commission on the JSU agreement for cost sharing of the operations expenses at the Mountain Center.

There was no further business to come today before the Commission for the meeting.

Resolution #4435

The Commission meeting is adjourned.

Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Emmett Owen, Seconded by Commissioner Laura Cobb

In Support: Commissioners Laura Cobb, Emmett Owen, Benji Langley, Bobby Brooks

In Opposition: None

Motion Passed
