

Cleburne County Commission Meeting
Cleburne County, Alabama
June 8, 2009

M I N U T E S

Regular Commission Meeting The Cleburne County Commission met in regular session on Monday, June 8, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room, Room 207 of the County Courthouse, Heflin, Alabama.

Chairman Ryan Robertson called the meeting to order and open for business.

Roll Call There were present:
 Chairman Ryan Robertson
 Commissioner Joel Robinson
 Commissioner Tracy Lambert
 Commissioner Dwight Williamson
 Commissioner Rex Nolen

There were absent:
 None

Public Comment from Citizens Mr. Wendell Wood with Alabama Power gave an update on rate increases including an explanation of Mr. James Bland's concern. Mrs. Kathy Hamilton updated the Commission on stray and abandoned animal concerns. Ms. Marsha Busby with the Department of Human Resources gave the Commission an update on foster care. She informed the Commission that they have limited space for visiting rooms and asked for financial assistance to furnish a visiting room.

Commission Discussion The Commission addressed items from the consent agenda from the agenda of today's meeting: a) Approve May 2009 minutes as presented, b) Approve to the authorize the County Executive Officer to negotiate and contract with a licensed and eligible entity to obtain grant funding for energy conservation projects related to County buildings, c) Approve to authorize the County Engineer with the assistance of the County Attorney to establish easements and develop turn around solutions in conjunction with the respective County Commissioner for the following locations: 1. The end of County Road 682, 2. County Road 42 at Public Road 811.

Resolution # 4256 **On a motion by Commissioner Rex Nolen and seconded by Commissioner Dwight Williamson, the Commission passed the following resolution:**

Be it resolved by the Cleburne County Commission to approve the following resolutions from the items of the consent agenda:

a) The Commission resolves to approve the May 2009 minutes as presented.

b) Whereas, opportunities exist to obtain grant funding for energy conservation projects related to County buildings; and

Whereas, in order to apply for such opportunities, an assessment must be conducted by a licensed entity in order to establish cost savings brought about by eligible projects;

Therefore, the Cleburne County Commission authorizes the County Executive Officer to negotiate and contract with a licensed and eligible entity

to perform such services for the County. Associated costs will be billed to the County Maintenance budget.

c) Whereas, conditions exist on certain county roads which prohibit school buses, garbage trucks and other large vehicles from being able to turn around;

Therefore, the Cleburne County Commission authorizes the County Engineer with the assistance of the County Attorney to establish easements and develop turn around solutions in conjunction with the respective County Commissioner for the following locations:

- 1. The end of County Road 682,**
- 2. County Road 42 at Public Road 811.**

All members present voted for the resolution and none against. The motion carried.

Commission
Discussion

The Commission addressed items of New Business from the agenda of today's meeting: a) Discuss the tentative closing of CR #828 in District 4, b) discuss approval of proposed resolution for integrating drug abuse education into the Science Curriculum in all public school systems in Alabama requested by the Randolph County Commission. Commissioner Rex Nolen discussed concerns of closing County Road #828. No motion was given for the approval of the proposed resolution for integrating drug abuse education into the Science Curriculum in all public school systems in Alabama requested by the Randolph County Commission.

**Resolution #
4257**

On a motion by Commissioner Rex Nolen and seconded by Commissioner Joel Robinson, the Commission passed the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Cleburne County Commission to approve to begin procedures for the closure of County Road #828. All members present voted for the resolution and none against. The motion carried.

Commission
Discussion

Commissioner Tracy Lambert reported to the Commission that Attorney George Monk has been hired as counsel in the suit filed against the county over the liquor license in Muscadine that was denied by the Commission. Steve Swafford updated the Commission on the progress of the multi-use facility that will be constructed on 22 acres on Southwire Drive. A survey has already been completed and an appraisal is in the process. A press release on the project will be held at noon on Tuesday, June 9, 2009. County Engineer Shannon Robbins provided a draft copy for bus turn around easements to be reevaluated each year. Commissioner Dwight Williamson discussed funding for maintenance on County Roads #636 & #637.

**Resolution #
4258**

On a motion by Commissioner Dwight Williamson and seconded by Commissioner Tracy Lambert, the Commission passed the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Cleburne County Commission to approve to add to the agenda of today's meeting to discuss transferring monies from the General Fund to the Gasoline Fund for maintenance on #636 & #637. All members present voted for the resolution and none against. The motion carried.

Resolution # 4259 **On a motion by Commissioner Dwight Williamson and seconded by Commissioner Tracy Lambert, the Commission passed the following resolution:**

Be it resolved by the Cleburne County Commission to authorize the transfer of initial monies to the Gasoline Fund from the General Fund required for maintenance on County Roads #636 & #637 with a cap of \$18,000.00. All members present voted for the resolution and none against. The motion carried.

Commission Discussion County Engineer Shannon Robbins gave a further update on the County Road #49 resurfacing project and the Federal Safety Grant and cost savings on state bid. Commissioner Joel Robinson requested that County Road #65 have a blind drive sign installed due to a recent wreck. Ryan Robertson discussed the request of the County Extension administration for a personnel bus.

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

Resolution # 4260 **On a motion by Commissioner Joel Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Dwight Williamson, the Commission passed the following resolution:**

Be it resolved by the Cleburne County Commission to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted for the resolution and none against. The motion carried.