

**MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, JUNE 5, 2012**

The Limestone County Commission met in a regular meeting today, at 10:00 a.m. at the Clinton Street Courthouse Annex, 100 South Clinton Street, Athens, Alabama.

PRESENT: Gary Daly, Gerald Barksdale, James W. "Bill" Latimer, and Bill Daws.  
Absent: None. Stanley Menefee, Chairman presided.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Menefee asked for suspension of the rules to add a tax abatement to the agenda under other business.

**MOTION** was made by James W. "Bill" Latimer and seconded by Bill Daws to Suspend the Rules of Order to add a tax abatement to the agenda under other business.

The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by James W. "Bill" Latimer and seconded by Bill Daws to approve the minutes of May 21 & 30, 2012.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Gerald Barksdale and seconded by Gary Daly to approve the following claims

5/18/12	Check # 19815 - 19873	\$ 210,324.02
5/25/12	Check # 19874 - 19923	\$ 633,406.23
5/31/12	Check # 19924 - 20006	<u>\$ 637,310.31</u>
	TOTAL	\$1,481,040.56

with detailed claims of the above being on file for review upon request to the County Administrator.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Gary Daly and seconded by Gerald Barksdale to rescind the motion made February 21, 2012 to amend the resolution passed June 7, 2011, concerning a project at Elkmont Industrial Park to reduce the pledge made by Limestone County Commission in the amount of \$60,000.00 to \$28,341.00, and include for the Limestone County Commission to join with the Town of Elkmont to split the \$17,000.00 cost incurred by Barge Waggoner Sumner and Cannon Inc. (BWSC) for their project cost opinion for improved service to the Elkmont industrial Park Tenants; each paying \$8,500.00.

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**MOTION** was made by James W. "Bill" Latimer and seconded by Bill Daws to authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with Morrell Engineering to provide Surveying & Engineering Services for design of improvements to Thomas L. Hammonds Road for Carpenter Technologies, not to exceed \$53,146.00.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Gary Daly and seconded by Gerald Barksdale to approve for the Limestone County Commission to apply for a grant on behalf of the Limestone County Archives to digitize historical records, with 50% County match.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

Chairman Menefee commended Grant Coordinator Sonya Anthony for scoring the highest in the State out of forty-eight other grants on the Rails to Trails grant application. The grant she submitted was the only one to score 100 points.

**MOTION** was made by Gerald Barksdale and seconded by Gary Daly to award the following bid proposal to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications as follows:

<b>Proposal No.</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Awarded To</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2396	Courthouse Window Replacement	McInerney & Associates	\$305,800.00

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. Commissioner Daws asked about local bidders and if the project could be rebid. Brian Moore, construction manager for the Courthouse renovation project said "in order to rebid the window replacement project, the scope of work would have to be changed". He affirmed that he did not recommend rebidding since the project had been legally advertised. He also stated that a State General Contractor's License is required to bid on projects over \$50,000.00. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, nay. Motion carries.

**MOTION** was made by Bill Daws and seconded by James W. "Bill" Latimer to approve the following subdivision:

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<b>Name</b>	<b>S/D Type</b>	<b>Approval Type</b>	<b>Lots</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>
Lakeside Estates 6 <sup>th</sup> Addition Re-subdivision of Tracks 7 and 8	Minor	Final	2	4	West side of Curtis Road approx.1 mile south of Lakeside Estates Road

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

Chairman Menefee called on Tom Hill, President, Limestone County Economic Development Association. Mr. Hill presented a tax abatement for Advanced Technical Manufacturing, DBA Advanced Technical Avionics. He said, "The Company will locate in a 22,500 square feet building in the Dekko Industrial park, creating 35 jobs in the first three years of operation and investing \$850,000 dollars. The company is requesting a one-time sales tax abatement of \$14,000 during their construction and remodeling process. The company is also requesting property tax abatement of \$2,890 per year for 10 years. The 10 year annual would total \$28,900."

**MOTION** was made by Gary Daly and seconded by Gerald Barksdale to approve tax abatement for Advanced Technical Manufacturing, DBA Advanced Technical Avionics.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Gerald Barksdale and seconded by James W. "Bill" Latimer to sell the following equipment on GovDeals:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Inventory #</b>	<b>Serial #</b>
District 2	9' Bush Hog Cutter - Model 3209	2579	1200487
District 3	Digging attachment for Rubber Tire Loader	4555	

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Chairman Menefee and the Commissioners all commended Tom Hill for his efforts in industrial recruitment for Limestone County.

**MOTION** was made by Gerald Barksdale and seconded by James W. "Bill" Latimer to approve the following road project in District 2.

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<b>Road Name</b>	<b>Length in miles</b>	<b>Width in feet</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Capshaw Road from Mooresville Road to Jones Road	1.8	20	Plant Mix	\$230,000.00

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Chairman called the roll. Gary Daly, aye; Gerald Barksdale, aye; James W. "Bill" Latimer, aye; and Bill Daws, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

Commissioner Latimer stated a \$100,000.00 grant was received from Alabama Department of Environmental Management to recycle tires. Anyone who lives in the confines of Limestone County can bring tires to each district shed to be recycled. The program is expected to run through September 2012. Grant Coordinator Sonya Anthony affirmed that the grant requires proof of Limestone County residency.

Recessed at 10:23 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 13, 2012, at the Washington Street Courthouse Annex, 310 West Washington Street, Athens, AL.