

MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, JANUARY 13, 2016

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from January 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. today at the Washington Street Courthouse Annex, 310 West Washington Street, Athens, AL.

Present: Stanley Hill, Steve Turner, Jason Black, and Ben Harrison. Absent: None. Mark Yarbrough, Chairman presided.

Lance Cline, Regional Sales Manager, Roadside, Inc., presented an agreement to the Commission to provide vegetation management consulting services for roadside right of ways for \$8,000 annually. He made a second offer of \$32 a center line mile or \$16 per side for Roadside, Inc. to do the spraying with the county purchasing the herbicides. The Commissioners discussed the proposals and decided to place the annual agreement on the agenda.

Joe Bob Whitt and Steve Susic, Community Insurance, LLC and Gil Jackson and Kristi Stryk, The Travelers Companies, Inc. made a quote presentation for the county's property, vehicle and inland marine insurance.

MOTION was made by Steve Turner and seconded by Stanley Hill to suspend the Rules of Order to employ a Council on Aging Director.

The Administrator called the roll. Steve Turner, aye; Stanley Hill, aye; Jason Black, aye; and Ben Harrison, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Steve Turner to employ Susan Firestone McGrady as Council on Aging Director, pending drug screening.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Steve Turner, aye; Stanley Hill, aye; and Ben Harrison, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

Commissioner Hill stated that construction on the Ragsdale Creek south bridge construction would begin in five to six weeks; which would cost approximately \$1.3 million. He gave an update on the Wooley Springs safe room. He asked citizens to report any safety concerns.

Commissioner Turner said that his district had twenty-seven stop signs vandalized between the Christmas and New Year's holidays. He made a request for the engineering department to work on revising the subdivision regulations in order to build the roads to a better standard. County Engineer, Bryant Moss, asked each Commissioner to send an email of what changes they would like to be made to the subdivision regulations.

Commissioner Black gave a report on Shaw Road and the bridge on Highway 20 that was damaged during the recent floods. He reported that paving would begin on Holt Springer Road in approximately two to three weeks.

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Commissioner Harrison stated that the Grigsby Ferry Bridge project in his district has been completed and his district saved approximately \$193,000 by doing the work themselves. He said that the district is currently grinding up Old Lawrenceburg Road to chip seal later this summer. MD Rose Road and Motorcross Road are on the list for chip sealing at a later date. He requested a resolution to be added to the agenda to request the legislative delegation to amend ACT 201-240 to redirect the distribution of the TVA in-lieu of taxes from the hospital to put \$370,000 in road money. He also mentioned selling the Asphalt Zipper and purchasing a Road Reclaimer.

Items were discussed for the January 19, 2016 agenda.

Adjourned at 11:20 a.m.