

## **MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, FEBRUARY 27, 2019**

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from February 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. today at the Washington Street Courthouse Annex, 310 West Washington Street, Athens, AL.

Present: Daryl Sammet, Steve Turner, Jason Black, and Ben Harrison. Absent: None. Collin Daly, Chairman presided.

Walter Lewis, Managing Director of Piper Jaffray & Company, gave a presentation on the county's debt overview and refunding opportunities. He said Piper Jaffray is a leading investment bank and asset management firm. Their guiding principles are to create and implement superior financial solutions, earn their clients' trust by delivering the best guidance service, and always place clients' interests first.

The County Engineer, Marc Massey, presented a spread sheet of the 2019 construction plan to be added to the agenda. He said he had been asked to prepare the damage assessment from the recent flooding event to request public assistance for the roads and bridges. He requested the Commissioners to let him know the number of employees, time, equipment, materials, locations and scope of work. He would include the information on the assessment forms to turn it into EMA.

Items were discussed for the March 4, 2019 agenda.

Commissioner Sammet thanked TVA for opening the dams and controlling the water during the recent floods. He said the damage can't be seen on the old bridges with box culverts until water goes down.

Commissioner Turner discussed problems in a couple of subdivisions with motorist parking in front of fire hydrants and along both sides of the roadways making it impossible for emergency vehicles to pass.

Commissioner Black expressed his frustration with motorist driving around road closed signs after coming close to losing an employee when someone ignored a barricade during the recent flooding event.

Commissioner Harrison gave an update on issues created by the recent flooding. He reported the water had receded over Chapman Hollow Road and the south end of Smith Hollow Road had washed out while portions of some roads remain closed. He said, "We'll probably be fixing roads and side of roads for another two months."

Chairman Daly thank the Commissioners and County Engineer for their diligent work during the widespread flooding. He thanked Walter Lewis for his informative presentation.

Adjourned at 10:38 a.m.