

MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, MAY 6, 2019

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

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION was made by Steve Turner and seconded by Jason Black to approve the minutes of April 15 & May 1, 2019.

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Daryl Sammet to approve the following claims

4/12/19	Check # 52952	Void
4/12/19	Check # 52953	\$ 23,888.00
4/18/19	Check # 52954 – 53018	\$ 684,638.65
4/26/19	Check # 53019 – 53082	\$ 593,749.44
4/30/19	Check # 53083 – 53147	<u>\$ 810,632.34</u>
	TOTAL	\$2,112,908.43

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 Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; Steve Turner, aye; and Ben Harrison, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION was made by Steve Turner and seconded by Jason Black to approve the following leases for the Sheriff's Office, for an annual rent of \$1.00 each:

- 2008 Lexus ES - VIN # JTHBJ46G782267264
- 2019 Ford Escape – VIN # 1FMCU0GD7KUA29691

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

MOTION was made by Steve Turner and seconded by Daryl Sammet to approve the following Signal Maintenance Agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation SR2 (US 72) at Burgreen Road/Dupree Worthy Road in District 2.

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STATE OF ALABAMA acting by and through the
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: AGREEMENT for the
 INSTALLATION and/or OPERATION and/or MAINTENANCE OF
 TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS and/or ROADWAY LIGHTING

This Agreement, in accordance with resolution number _____ dated (or minutes dated) _____ attached hereto and made part of this Agreement, is made and entered into by and between the Alabama Department of Transportation (herein referred to as STATE) and the LIMESTONE COUNTY (herein referred to as MAINTAINING AGENCY) for the accomplishment of the following work as hereinafter indicated by the alphabetic letter of "X" marked in the check-boxes below, to wit:

	(A) New Installation	(B) Equipment Upgrade	(C) Complete Removal	(D) Operation	(E) Maintenance
Traffic Control Signal:	✓			✓	✓
Intersection Flashing Signal/Beacon:					
Roadway Lighting:					
Other: _____					

The accomplishment of the work indicated by the alphabetic letter of "X" marked in the check-box(es) above and hereinafter signified by the use of the corresponding alphabetic letter A, B, C, D, and/or E as applicable, will be at the following location(s): {Example: AL-3/US-31 @ Main Street [A, D, & E] denotes the installation, operation, and maintenance of the equipment installed} NOTE— if more space is needed, please use continuation sheets.

INTERSECTION OF SR-2 (US-72) AND BURGREN ROAD/DUPREE WORTHY (A, D & E)

1. In the event the work to be accomplished above is identified by (A) and/or (B), the STATE MAINTAINING AGENCY will furnish and the STATE MAINTAINING AGENCY will install the equipment and/or associated hardware utilized in the accomplishment of the work. In the event the STATE contributes funds to the work and the MAINTAINING AGENCY will be credited or debited for under-runs or overruns respectively, the "Exhibit O" is attached to and made part of this Agreement.

2. The equipment and/or associated hardware shall be installed in accordance with the applicable portions of the:
 - A. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD), current ALDOT approved edition.
 - B. State of Alabama Project Details and Special and Standard Highway Drawings, current year version.
 - C. National Electrical Code, current edition.

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- D. Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, current edition and applicable special provisions.
- E. Code of Alabama, 1975 (as Amended) with specific reference to:
- (1) §23-1-113, Municipal Connecting Link Roads — Stipulations and Conditions [specifically subparagraphs (6) and (7)].
 - (2) §32-5A-32, Traffic — Control signal legend.
 - (3) §32-5A-33, Pedestrian — Control signals.
 - (4) §2-5A-34, Flashing signals.
 - (5) §32-5A-35, Lane — Direction — Control signals.
3. The STATE shall determine the quantity of the equipment and/or associated hardware to be utilized in the accomplishment of the work identified by (A) and/or (B) above. In the event the MAINTAINING AGENCY furnishes the equipment and/or associated hardware to be utilized in the accomplishment of the work identified by (A) and/or (B) above, the MAINTAINING AGENCY shall ascertain that the type and quality of the equipment and/or associated hardware is in accordance with the STATE's Materials, Sources, and Devices with Special Acceptance Requirements (APL) as maintained by the STATE's Bureau of Materials and Tests.
4. Title to any and all equipment and/or associated hardware furnished by the STATE shall remain in the STATE and the STATE is deemed to be the sole owner of such equipment and/or hardware.
5. The equipment and/or associated hardware shall be operated and maintained at the sole expense of the MAINTAINING AGENCY. The MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees to provide electrical energy on a continuing basis as required, beginning at the time of the initial electrical service connection during the construction of the system. The MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees further to maintain the equipment and/or associated hardware in a good state of repair at all times, as required in accordance with the applicable documents: Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways and the Alabama Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Highway Construction and applicable special provisions. Any traffic control signal equipment and/or associated hardware must also be maintained in accordance with any traffic signal operating plan of the STATE which is in effect at the applicable time of the maintenance. If a malfunction of the equipment and/or associated hardware should ever occur, the MAINTAINING AGENCY shall make or cause to be made any repairs immediately. If a malfunction presents a potential hazard to the motoring public and the MAINTAINING AGENCY is unable to repair the equipment and/or associated hardware in a timely manner as determined by the STATE, the MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees that the STATE reserves the right to and may repair the equipment and/or associated hardware, and invoice the MAINTAINING AGENCY for all costs incurred. The MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees to pay the STATE all such costs incurred by the STATE promptly upon receipt of the invoice from the STATE.
- 5a. In instances where ALDOT maintains a fiber-optic trunk line that is used in conjunction with a closed-loop signal system, the MAINTAINING AGENCY shall

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maintain the fiber-optic cable from the splice point in the trunk line out to the traffic control equipment.

6. A. Unwarranted traffic control signal. (Mark with "X" if applicable in check-box) If the installation is identified on page one as (A) "New Installation" or (B) "Equipment Upgrade" with "Traffic Control Signal:" marked, and this installation is requested by the MAINTAINING AGENCY and the signal is unwarranted as marked above, then upon installation of the equipment and/or associated hardware, the MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees to accept any and all responsibility for any damage or injury that may be caused by or related to the installation, location, operation, sequencing, and/or maintenance of the equipment and/or associated hardware and shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Transportation, and its agents, servants, employees, in their official or individual capacities and/or facilities from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the installation, operation, and maintenance of the equipment and/or associated hardware, or any claim, damage, loss, or expense to the person or property caused.
- B. All other work. (Mark with "X" for the appropriate type of MAINTAINING AGENCY in appropriate checkbox)
The CITY (Incorporated Municipality)

Subject to the limitations on damages applicable to municipal corporations under Alabama Code § 11-47-190(1975), the CITY shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Transportation, its officers, officials, agents, servants, and employees from and against (1) claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorney's fees arising out of, connected with, resulting from, or related to the work performed by the CITY, or its officers, employees, contracts, agents or assigns (2) the provision of any services or expenditure of funds required, authorized, or undertaken by the CITY pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, or (3) any damage, loss, expense, bodily injury, or death, or injury or destruction or tangible property (other than the work itself), including loss of use therefrom, and including but not limited to attorney's fees, caused by the negligent, careless, or unskillful acts of the CITY, its agents, servants, representatives, or employees, or the misuse, misappropriation, misapplication, or misexpenditure of any source of funding, compensation, or reimbursement by the CITY, its agents, servants, representatives, or employees, or anyone for whose acts the CITY may be liable.

The COUNTY (County Government or Agency)

The COUNTY shall be responsible at all times for all of the work performed under this agreement and, as provided in Alabama Code § 11-93-2(1975), the COUNTY shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, the

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Alabama Department of Transportation, its officers, officials, agents, servants, and employees.

For all claims not subject to Alabama Code § 11-93-2(1975), the COUNTY shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Transportation, its officers, officials, agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all damages, claims, loss, liabilities, attorney's fees or expense whatsoever, or any amount paid in compromise thereof arising out of, connected with, or related to (1) work performed under this Agreement, (2) the provision of any services or expenditure of funds required, authorized, or undertaken by the COUNTY pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, or (3) misuse, misappropriation, misapplication, or misexpenditure of any source of funding, compensation or reimbursement by the COUNTY, its officers, officials, agents, servants, and employees.

The term "hold harmless" includes the obligation of the MAINTAINING AGENCY to pay damages on behalf of the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Transportation, and its agents, servants, and/or employees.

7. Complete removal of the equipment and/or associated hardware, hereinabove identified by (C), will be at the sole expense of the STATE MAINTAINING AGENCY.
8. The STATE reserves the right to demand the removal of the equipment and/or associated hardware should the STATE determine that the signal is no longer required or deem its condition or operation hazardous. Further, the STATE shall have the right to remove the equipment and/or associated hardware should the MAINTAINING AGENCY fail to do so upon demand by the STATE. The MAINTAINING AGENCY agrees to reimburse the STATE for its costs associated with the removal. Any equipment and/or associated hardware which is deemed by the STATE to be non-uniform or obsolete will be removed and disposed of by the MAINTAINING AGENCY. None of the non-uniform or obsolete equipment and/or associated hardware which has been removed shall be reused on the STATE highway system.
9. If future traffic conditions require changes and/or adjustments to said equipment and/or associated hardware (other than ordinary timing), the MAINTAINING AGENCY shall obtain the approval of the STATE before such changes are implemented and the STATE shall make a determination on whether a new Agreement is required to be submitted for the UPGRADING, OPERATION, and MAINTENANCE of the new equipment and/or associated hardware. All such changes shall be at the sole cost and expense of the MAINTAINING AGENCY.
10. In the event Federal funds are utilized in the accomplishment of the work hereinbefore described, "Exhibit M" is attached to and made a part of this Agreement.
11. FUNDS SHALL NOT BE CONSTITUTED AS A DEBT
It is agreed that the terms and commitments contained herein shall not be construed as a debt of the State of Alabama in violation of Article 11, Section 213 of the Constitution of Alabama, 1901, as amended by Amendment Number 26. It is further agreed that if any provision of this Agreement shall contravene any statute or Constitutional Provision or

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Amendment, then the conflicting provision in this Agreement shall be deemed null and void.

For any and all disputes arising under the terms of this Agreement, the parties hereto agree, in compliance with the recommendations of the Governor and Attorney General, when considering settlement of such disputes, to utilize appropriate forms of non-binding alternative dispute resolution including, but not limited to, mediation by and through the Attorney General's Office of Administrative Hearings or where appropriate, private mediators.

- 12 The type and number of signal & pedestrian heads per intersection or roadway lighting hardware are as follows: {Example: 5-3 sec, 12", red ball, yellow/green left arrow. OPTION: If plans are available to convey information below, just enter "SEE ATTACHED PLANS".} NOTE — If more space is needed, please use continuation sheets.

THE STATE WILL FURNISH AND INSTALL THE FOLLOWING:

EIGHT (8) - RED/YELLOW/GREENBALL

TWO (2) -RED BALL, YELLOW/GREENLEFTARROW

TYPE OF SIGNAL		CONTROLLER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic Control	<input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian Control	Make:	Model #:
<input type="checkbox"/> Flashing	<input type="checkbox"/> Lane Control	<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed Time	<input type="checkbox"/> Two Phase
<input type="checkbox"/> School Flasher	<input type="checkbox"/> Railroad Crossing	<input type="checkbox"/> Semi Actuated	<input type="checkbox"/> Four Phase
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Actuated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eight Phase
_____		<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
_____		SYSTEM <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

13. In the event the work to be accomplished is identified by (A), (B), and/or (C) and [1] in part or wholly constitutes an interconnected, coordinated, fixed time relationship, signal control operation between two or more intersections (herein referred to as a SYSTEM and hereinabove indicated by the SYSTEM check-box for YES marked in the controller box above), [2] is located within the limits of a SYSTEM, or [3] is within close proximity as to adjoin a SYSTEM, the STATE MAINTAINING AGENCY shall substantiate the work identified by (A), (B), and/or (C) to be SYSTEM compatible.
14. By entering into this agreement, the MAINTAINING AGENCY is not an agent of the State, its officers, employees, agents or assigns. The MAINTAINING AGENCY is an independent entity from the State and nothing in this agreement creates an agency relationship between the parties.
15. By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of this agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this

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provision shall be deemed in breach of this agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting there from.

WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by those officers, officials, and persons thereunto duly authorized, and the Agreement is deemed to be dated and to be effective on the date stated hereinafter as the date of the approval of the Region Engineer.

(seal of OWNER)

Legal Name of MAINTAINING AGENCY

Attest: _____
(Seal or notary signature)

By: _____
Authorized Signature for MAINTAINING AGENCY

Agreement Recommended for approval:

By: _____
Area Traffic Engineer Signature

STATE OF ALABAMA acting by and through the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The within and foregoing Agreement is hereby approved on this ____ day of _____, 2019.

APPROVED:

RECORDED:

By: _____
Region Engineer Signature

By: _____
State Traffic Engineer Signature

Date: _____
(Added to Archive)

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Steve Turner to suspend the Rules of Order to amend the Staffing Plan.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. Commissioner Black stated that he has four Equipment Operator III positions and is requesting to change one of the positions to an Operator I; therefore, showing three Operator III positions and two Operator I positions on the staffing plan for District 3. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Steve Turner, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and Ben Harrison, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Steve Turner to approve to add an Equipment Operator I to the staffing plan in District 3.

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

MOTION was made by Daryl Sammet and seconded by Ben Harrison to hire Quentin Wise as an Equipment Operator 1 (temporary position) in the Engineering Department, pending drug screening.

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Ben Harrison to hire Travis Austiell as an Equipment Operator 1 in District 3, pending drug screening.

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Daryl Sammet to hire Jason Rolin as an Equipment Operator 1 in District 3, pending drug screening.

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Steve Turner to approve the following subdivisions:

Name	S/D Type	Approval Type	Lots	District	Location
Bethel Road Subdivision	Minor	Preliminary & Final	4	1	West of AL Highway 251
South Rd Subdivision replat lots 1A, 2A & 3A	Minor	Preliminary & Final	3	1	Approx. 1025' east of South Rd & Sharp Rd intersection
Lonnie Dale Subdivision Phase II	Minor	Preliminary & Final	3	2	Intersection of St. John Rd & Newby Chapel Rd
Lonnie Dale Subdivision replat 13, 14 & 15	Minor	Preliminary & Final	3	2	Intersection of St. John Rd & Newby Chapel Rd

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MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Ben Harrison to approve to set a public hearing in conjunction with the Commission Meeting on May 20, 2019 to discuss the county's submission of an application for the CY2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the development of water system improvements within the Tanner Community.

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

Chairman Daly announced a public hearing in conjunction with the Commission Meeting on May 20, 2019 regarding a request to vacate a portion of Houston Ridge Road located in District 1.

Commissioner Sammet stated that Harvest Road is being chip sealed. He urged motorists to use caution in the loose gravel.

Commissioner Harrison gave the following road updates; Robinson Lane is being chip sealed, Cannon Road is being prepared for chip sealing, and they had to cut out patches on Quinn Road to make base repairs.

Chairman Daly thanked everyone for attending and urged motorists to use caution in construction zones.

Recessed at 10:09 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at the Washington Street Courthouse Annex, 310 West Washington Street, Athens, Alabama.