

**MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, FEBRUARY 22, 2022
WORK SESSION**

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from February 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton Street Courthouse Annex, 100 South Clinton Street, Athens, Alabama.

Present: Daryl Sammet, Danny Barksdale, Jason Black and LaDon Townsend. Collin Daly presided as Chairman.

Judge Charles Woodroof addressed the Commission regarding the need to add an additional polling precinct in Beat 13.

Ms. Susan McGrady, Director of Council on Aging, addressed the Commission regarding the building and roof issues at the Athens Senior Center location. There was extensive discussion among Ms. McGrady, Commissioner Black and Chairman Daly regarding same and the need to discuss with the Mayor Ronnie Marks due to the building being owned by the City of Athens.

Mr. Brenden Andrew, a representative with Duke Energy, addressed the Commission regarding the tax abatement for the Athenian Sky Solar, LLC project and the benefits of this project should the tax abatement be granted and especially the financial benefit to the schools.

Mr. Garth Lovvorn, the landowner that has leased property to Duke Energy, spoke in favor of Duke Energy and stated, "Duke Energy has always done everything that they said they would do. Nothing has been amiss, and they think of things we don't think of. I just wanted to put in a good word from somebody who has dealt with them."

Items were discussed for today's commission meeting agenda.

Chairman Daly requested that the wording "within the City of Athens, Alabama" be struck from the agenda regarding the resolution granting the tax abatement for the Athenian Sky Solar, LLC project.

Chairman Daly explained that the resolution to adopt model policies and procedures applicable to federal awards as required by 2 C.F.R Part 200 was placed on the agenda due to the receipt of \$8 Million Dollars in ARPA funds.

In regard to the resolution to approve the polling precinct at Most Merciful Jesus Catholic Church, the resolution will be pending Most Merciful Jesus Catholic Church's agreement to host the polling precinct.

Before moving on, the Chairman discussed Athens Main Street taking over the Farmer's Market and this would be up for consideration at the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Daryl Sammet reported that the rail company came out and their car is no longer blocking an intersection in his district.

Recessed until 10:00 a.m.

Collin Daly, Chairman

Daryl Sammet, D-I Commissioner

Jason Black, D-III Commissioner

Danny Barksdale, D-II Commissioner

LaDon Townsend, D-IV Commissioner