

## **MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, DECEMBER 11, 2019**

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from December 2, 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.

Items were discussed for the December 16 2019 agenda.

Commissioner Sammet reported that LED stop signs have been installed at Harvest and East Limestone Roads. He said a request has been submitted to the State for LED stop sign improvements for the intersection of Pinedale Road and Highway 251 and the intersection of Highway 251 and Sweet Springs Road.

Commissioner Turner requested motorist driving at night to watch out for deer; his district has removed 10 to 12 deer that had been hit in the last eight days.

Commissioner Black stated that Commissioner Harrison had previously brought up banking and getting a better interest rate. He introduced Toyna Carter, representative from First National Bank; which is the bank the county is currently using as its depository. Toyna talked about public funds, how public funds had to be in the SAFE Program instead of FDIC and the bank must pledge those funds. She stated she would be glad to answer any questions. Commissioner Harrison stated the county needs to decide on a plan that would best benefit the county's money; basis points should be a factor and purchasing cards. County CFO Emily Ezzell stated switching banks from an administrative basis would involve changing EFT's, direct deposits and printing of checks. She said the county has options, including investing in certificate of deposit. Chairman Daly advised the commissioners that whatever they decide to do, would require being bid.

Commissioner Harrison said his district is still cleaning out culverts and making repairs from the recent flood.

Adjourned at 10:20 a.m.