

**MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION APRIL 19, 2021  
COMMISSION MEETING**

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, Danny Barksdale, Jason Black, and LaDon Townsend. Absent: None. Collin Daly, Chairman presided.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MOTION** was made by Jason Black and seconded by Danny Barksdale to approve the minutes of April 5, 2021.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Daryl Sammet and seconded by LaDon Townsend to approve the following claims

4/01/2021	Check # 61086 – 61097	\$ 25,700.63
4/06/2021	Check # 61098	\$ 40.00
4/09/2021	Check # 61099 – 61180	\$2,324,348.19
4/09/2021	Check # 61181	\$ 5,324.00
4/09/2021	Check # 61182	\$ VOID
4/09/2021	Check # 61183 – 61184	\$ <u>3,037.69</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2,358,450.51

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. Daryl Sammet, aye; LaDon Townsend, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; and Jason Black, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Jason Black and seconded by Danny Barksdale to authorize the Chairman to execute the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR LIMESTONE COUNTY’S  
PARTICIPATION IN THE “BACK-TO-SCHOOL” SALES TAX HOLIDAY**

**WHEREAS**, during its 2006 Regular Session, the Alabama Legislature Enacted Act No. 2006-574, which provides an exemption of the state sales and use tax for certain non-commercial purchases related to school clothing and supplies during the first full weekend in August of each year; and

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**WHEREAS**, Act No. 2017-120 Amended *Code of Alabama 1975*, §Sections 40-23-211 and 40-23-213, relating to the tax exemption on covered items during “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday, by changing the dates from the first weekend of August to the third full weekend of July.

**WHEREAS**, the Limestone County Commission has affirmatively voted to grant the exemption of covered items from county sales and use taxes on purchases during the third full weekend of July 2020, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 16, 2021 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, July 18, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Code of Alabama 1975*, §11-51-210(e) requires that the county commission notify the Alabama Department of Revenue of any new local tax or amendment to an existing local tax levy at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change; and

**WHEREAS**, the exemption of certain county sales and use taxes for the third full weekend of July 2021 herein adopted by the county commission is an amendment to the county’s sales and use tax levy warranting notice to the Alabama Department of Revenue;

**WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION** that it does hereby provide for an exemption of the county sales and use tax on purchases of items covered by the Alabama Department of Revenue Sales and Use Tax Rules beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 16, 2021 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, July 18, 2021.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the April 19, 2021 meeting of the Limestone County Commission and be immediately forwarded to the Alabama Department of Revenue in compliance with *Code of Alabama 1975*, § 11-51-210(e).

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Limestone County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.

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Collin Daly, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ellen Morell, Administrator

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

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**MOTION** was made by Danny Barksdale and seconded by LaDon Townsend to approve the following budget revisions:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Title of Line Item</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Revenue and Reappraisal	002-51550-222	Operating Lease-Data Processing	+\$25,000.00
	002-51550-190	Temporary Help	-\$25,000.00
	120-51810-222	Operating Lease-Data Processing	+\$22,875.00
	120-51810-131	Retirees-Health Insurance	-\$13,775.00
	120-51810-140	Uncompensated Leave	-\$9,100.00

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Danny Barksdale, aye; LaDon Townsend, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and Jason Black, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Danny Barksdale and seconded by Jason Black to hire John Roberts as Equipment Operator I position in District 2.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Danny Barksdale, aye; Jason Black, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Jason Black and seconded by Daryl Sammet to approve the following merit increases, which are included in the base pay and cost of living pay as listed below.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Allen Aldridge	Sup. Of County Buildings	3/17/2021
Rennie Allison	Corrections Officer	5/2/2021
Chris Beddingfield	Drug Lab Tech	5/1/2021
Hunter Daws	Engineering Asst. CAD	6/20/2021
Michael Clem	Asst. Animal Control Officer	5/9/2021
Angela Ferguson	Title Clerk	5/8/2021
Christopher Green	Corrections Officer	5/26/201
Nathaneal Greene	Corrections Officer	5/18/2021
Terry Johnson	Patrol Sgt.	5/2/2021
Cathy Lamb	License Tag Clerk	5/2/2021
Todd Lawson	Engineering Asst.	6/10/2021
Stephanie Little	Title Clerk	5/31/2021
Samuel Long	Equipment Operator II	5/4/2021
Vicky Maybery	Custodian	5/16/2021
Melissa McGlocklin	Title Clerk	3/21/2021
Amanda Morgan	Case Management Supervisor	6/1/2021

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Ellen Morell	Administrator	6/21/2021
Jessica Pierce	Deputy Revenue Commissioner	5/1/2021
Rickey Smith	Asst. Superintendent County Buildings	4/8/2021
Tina Stark	Receptionist	5/2/2021
Nicholas Thompson	Communications Officer	5/3/2021
Jesse Tyler	Communications Officer	5/16/2021

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was made by Danny Barksdale and seconded by LaDon Townsend to approve the following subdivisions:

<b>Name</b>	<b>S/D Type</b>	<b>Approval Type</b>	<b>Lots</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>
Harris Place – Replat Tract 21	Minor	Preliminary & Final	2	4	South side of Harris Loop Rd approx. 1900' east of intersection Harris Rd
Holland Hills Subdivision	Minor	Preliminary & Final	4	2	North side of Holland Lane East of the intersection of Mooresville Rd
Southern Shade Acres	Minor	Preliminary & Final	2	1	West side of Slate Rd
Wingate Subdivision, Phase 2	Major	Preliminary	65	1	East side of AL Hwy 251

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Danny Barksdale, aye; LaDon Townsend, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and Jason Black, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was by Jason Black and seconded by Danny Barksdale to issue a proclamation declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month.

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Jason Black, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION** was by Daryl Sammet and seconded by LaDon Townsend to approve to sale the following on GovDeals:

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<b>Department</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Inventory #</b>
EMA	Wireless IP Comms System Command Post	4952

The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Daryl Samme, aye; LaDon Townsend, aye; Danny Barksdale, aye; and Jason Black, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

Commissioner Daryl Sammet reported that most of their paving projects were ready and they were hoping to start on those next week. Commissioner Sammet also reported that they were having some issues with water leaks and hoped to have those taken care of by the end of the week and will then start in on some of the debris clean-up from the ice storm. Commissioner Sammet further reported that they are still having problems with ditches being affected by debris and debris from pine trees. Mr. Sammet went on to express his gratitude for the group that worked this past weekend on the walking trail and stated, "They did a great job and it really makes a difference. I wish we could get something to put a stop to this littering."

Commissioner Danny Barksdale stated, "I'd just like to mention our detours due to the roundabout on 251. The first few mornings a lot of people had problems with traffic congestion, but it looks like they've adjusted and determined different routes that are best for them to take on the detour. I just ask them to use caution and have a little patience while the State is doing the roundabout."

Commissioner Jason Black reported that they were patching on Snake Road and preparing to have that road paved with the Rebuild Alabama money. Commissioner Black also commented that they would start cutting in about two weeks and would be cleaning up two spots where they had previously pushed a tree out of the road. Commissioner Black also commented on the County for a Cure Cornhole Tournament that happened this past weekend, and stated, "We had a lot of County employees there, Susan McGrady from Council on Aging, the Sheriff, Chief Sloss, Alicia Sanders, and I would like to thank Tammy Waddell and Michelle Williamson. The tournament raised \$1,200.00 which is for a really good cause." I would also like to thank the people at the Sheriff's Office and the Commission Office. They do a really good job."

Commissioner LaDon Townsend reported that they were clipping the edges on New Cut Road in order to try to finish that Rebuild Alabama project. Commissioner Townsend also reported that he was in hopes that the Easter Ferry Road project would be completed this week and that the pothole crew are patching potholes every day in attempt to catch up on the potholes. He urged citizens to be on the watch for the guys and noted that they were working hard.

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Chairman Collin Daly thanked everyone that participated and helped with the cornhole contest and stated, "I know Michelle is passionate and she's worked really hard on this for a great cause and had a great turnout." Chairman Daly also expressed his appreciation to everyone that was involved in the Elkmont trail clean-up. I also want to thank Todd Tomlin for giving me this tie that I am wearing for Autism Awareness Month and thank him for all that he does for Autism."

Adjourned at 10:10 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 3, 2021, at the Clinton Street Courthouse Annex, 100 South Clinton Street, Athens, Alabama.