

**MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, OCTOBER 18, 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 October 4, 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:

10/01/2021	Check # 62982 - 62992	\$ 112,955.31
10/01/2021	Check # 62993	\$ 1,250.00
10/08/2021	Check # 62994 - 63073	<u>\$ 617,340.79</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 731,546.10</u>

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 LaDon Townsend to approve a resolution providing for Limestone County to participate in the 2022 Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday.

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR LIMESTONE COUNTY'S
PARTICIPATION IN THE "SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS TAX HOLIDAY"
AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT NO. 2012-256**

WHEREAS, during its 2012 Regular Session, the Alabama Legislature Enacted Act No. 2012-256, which provides an exemption of the state sales and use tax for certain "covered items" purchased related to severe weather preparedness during the first full weekend of July 2012 and the last full weekend of February in subsequent years; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 2012-256 authorizes the county commission to provide for an exemption of county sales and use taxes for "certain" items covered by the Act during the same time period in which the state sales and use tax exemption is in place, provided a resolution to that effect is adopted at least 30 days prior to the last full weekend of February in subsequent years; and

WHEREAS, the Limestone County Commission has affirmatively voted to grant the exemption of county sales and use taxes on purchases covered by Act No. 2012-256, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, February 25, 2022, and ends at twelve midnight on Sunday, February 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, 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; and

WHEREAS, the exemption of certain county sales and use taxes for the last full weekend of February 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 as provided in Code of Alabama 1975, § 11-51-210(e);

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 Act No. 2012-256 beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, February 25, 2022 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, February 27, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the 18th day of October 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 18th day of October 2021.

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

MOTION was made by Daryl Sammet and seconded by Jason Black to approve to transfer Sydnae Townsend to Extradition Officer.

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

MOTION was made by LaDon Townsend and seconded by Danny Barksdale to hire Robert Morse as Deputy Sheriff, pending drug screening.

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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Daryl Sammet to transfer Dale Townsend to SORNA Investigator.

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 Jason Black to hire Pennie Davis as Records Specialist, at the Sheriff's Department.

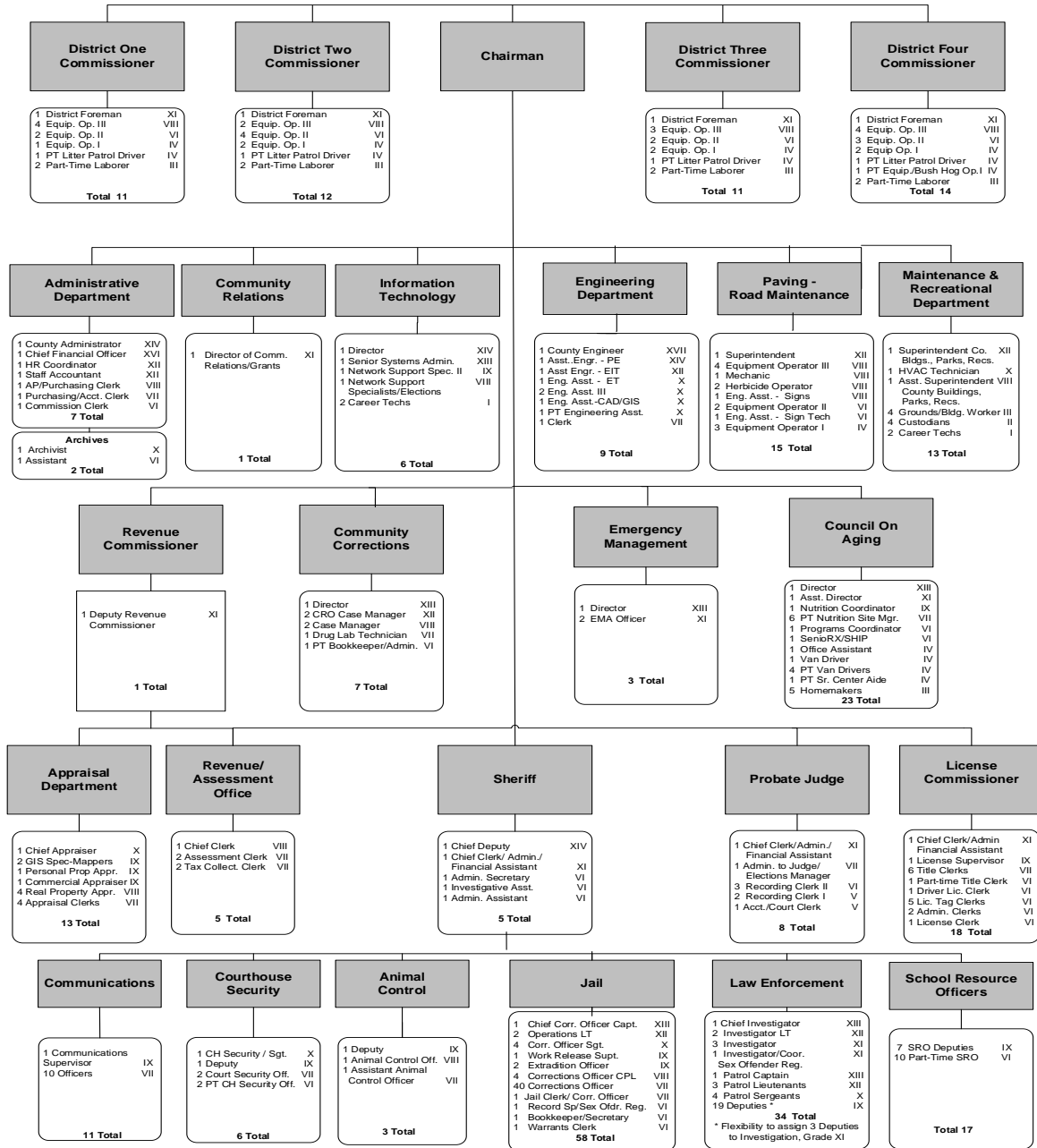
The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The Administrator called the roll. Danny Barksdale, aye; Jason Black, aye; Daryl Sammet, aye; and LaDon Townsend, aye. Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION was made by Danny Barksdale and seconded by Jason Black to transfer Lance Royals from Chief Investigator to Investigator retroactive to September 10, 2021.

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 LaDon Townsend and seconded by Daryl Sammet to amend the Staffing Plan under "Communications" to change "Deputy" to "Communications Supervisor".

**LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION
STAFFING PLAN
October 18, 2021**



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

MOTION was made by Jason Black and seconded by Danny Barksdale to promote Hayden Pierce to Deputy Sheriff.

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 LaDon Townsend and seconded by Daryl Sammet to promote Teresa Hartzog to Commercial Appraiser, at the Revenue Commissioner’s Office.

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

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

Name	S/D Type	Approval Type	Lots	District	Location
Happy Meadow Subdivision	Minor	Preliminary & Final	2	2	600’ East of Jones Rd & Pepper Rd. intersection
Old Scrouge Subdivision	Minor	Preliminary & Final	1	1	¼ mile west of Airport Lane south side of Old Scrouge Rd.
Jolly Subdivision	Minor	Preliminary & Final	1	3	2 ½ miles south of Hwy 72 East side of Blackburn Rd.

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

Commissioner Daryl Sammet expressed his appreciation to Representative Andy Whitt for contacting the State of Alabama’s Highway Director, Mr. Cooper. Representative Whitt received the approval for District 1 to go forward with the joint State Line Road project between Lincoln County, TN and Limestone County, AL.

Commissioner Danny Barksdale reported that District 2 would be paving Craft Road, and he requested that the citizens be considerate and conscientious of the workers while they pave.

Commissioner Jason Black reported that District 3 is waiting on the engineering crew to complete a couple of projects left on their project list. Commissioner Black also reported that there will be an ALS Walk this upcoming Saturday at Blue Springs Elementary School in honor of his friend, Thad Hebbe, who has Lou Gehrig’s Disease.

Commissioner Ladon Townsend reported that District 4 was finishing up New Cut Road and Assistant Engineer, Hunter Daws, informed that the permanent striping for New Cut Road would probably occur in two or three months. Commissioner Townsend commented that the road looked very good and expressed his appreciation to the contractor. Commissioner Townsend further reported that he was in hopes that today would be the

last day that Chapman Hollow Road would be closed, but at some point later, that they would have to replace the tile that is at the end of the road. Commissioner Townsend closed his comments with a request to watch for the employees that were operating the bush hogs and brush cutters.

Chairman Collin Daly expressed his appreciation for everyone that helped complete this year's Re-Build Alabama projects, and he also expressed his appreciation to Attorney Mark Maclin for all the years of service that he has given to the Commission and wished him well in his new endeavors. Chairman Daly reminded everyone that the trick or treat event would happen around the Square on October 31st from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 10:12 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 1,2021 at the Clinton Street Courthouse Annex, 100 South Clinton Street, Athens, Alabama.