LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 WORK SESSION MINUTES

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from September 6, 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. Absent: None. Collin Daly, Chairman presided.

Mr. Bryan Lorge thanked the Commission and the staff for the hard work preparing the yearly budget but addressed his concern about the process used in allowing the public a chance to make an input into the budget and suggested a public meeting before the budget is approved. Mr. Lorge also commented that he would have liked to have seen an increase in the funding for the animal shelter.

Items were discussed for today's commission meeting agenda.

Commissioner Sammet inquired about the tower at District, and Engineer Marc Massey reported that the tower would be used as a backup but would not be used for the P25 Communication network.

Chairman Daly thanked Commissioner Black for serving on the board for the Alabama Department of Youth Services.

Commissioner Barksdale discussed his view of the problems and concerns surrounding the animal shelter.

Chairman Daly thanked everyone for their participation in preparing the Fiscal Year 22-23 budget.

Engineer Massey gave a paving update.

Chairman Daly brought up the purchase of a truck from Marshall County. The agreed sale price is \$7,500.00, and Marc Massey informed the Commission that there would be needed valve repairs.

Terry Acuff addressed the Commission and the public for two public hearings concerning the closing of the project grant for Chapman Hollow Road and amend the existing CDBG CV Grant to install a P25 Communication network to serve the county. There were no public comments made. Chairman Daly expressed his appreciation to Mr. Acuff.

In closing, Chairman Daly recognized the Elkins family and the Proclamation done in memory of Jessica Elkins for meningitis awareness.

Recessed until 10:00 a.m.