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TOBY L. SEAY, PROBATE JUDGE, GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

The Geneva County Commission met in regular session on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. at the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama.

Commission Chairman Toby Seay called the meeting to order and welcomed guests present. Commissioner Wilks opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Seay led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no elected officials requesting to make public comment.

There were no citizens requesting to make public comment.

Commission Chairman Seay called the roll, and the following members were present: Commissioners Weston Spivey, Todd Brannon, Bart Wilks, and Wade Fulford. County Attorney, Phil Eldridge; County Engineer, Justin Barfield; Assistant County Engineer, Mike Shirah; EMA Director, Brian Smith; Revenue Commissioner, Mary Ann Ellison, and County Administrator Cindy Williams were also present. The following business was transacted:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve Minutes of October 25, 2021. Commissioner Spivey made a motion to approve the minutes of October 25, 2021. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
2. Proclamations/Resolutions: None
3. Bids: None
4. Board Appointments: Commissioner Spivey made a motion to abide by the recommendation from the SEACAP board and appoint Ms. Heather Smith. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

REPORTS OF STAFF:

Sheriff: Not present

County Administrator: Mrs. Williams reminded the Commission of the Legislative Conference December 8 – 9, 2021 in Birmingham, advised them that hotel rooms had

been booked and asked that should they be unable to attend please notify her so the room can be cancelled.

Mrs. Williams gave the Commissioners a 2022 Holiday schedule and asked that they review. There are two prepared, one if the Courthouse remains on a four-day work week and one should that change after June 30, 2022. The Holiday schedule will be on the November 22, 2021, agenda for approval.

County Engineer: Engineer Barfield stated he had attended the Choc Pea Yellow River Watershed meeting last week and Geneva County had 62 inches of rain this year. Well above average in the nine (9) southeast counties.

Between now and April 30, 2022, they will be working on thirty (3) large projects. A spreadsheet was given out of the locations. These are funding eligible projects through FEMA due to Hurricane Sally.

His department worked last Friday to try and get caught up on blading.

They currently have three (3) drive-way pipes to install.

Cost share project for Broxson Road has started. This project will entail spreading a lime rock surface paid for by a citizen of Broxson Road.

The final invoice for right of way mowing has been received. The total cost was \$63,000.00. This was down from \$88,000.00 due to the efforts in his department complete some of the right of way mowing.

Mulching and seeding should begin on County roads 8 and 49 this week.

Engineer Barfield is asking the Commission to approve the Subdivision regulations. The ACCA model was used, and the minor changes previously discussed are the only changes to the plan. Commissioner Brannon made a motion to approve the subdivision regulations for Geneva County. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Commissioner Brannon asked Mr. Barfield about the procedures for installing driveway pipes on dirt roads. A lot of the issues in his district stem from private water runoff from driveways that cut the dirt road in to. A plan was put together for citizens to pay for aggregate once a driveway has been installed to help prevent property water runoff.

County Attorney: Attorney Eldridge stated that at the Commissioner's Conference in August the Examiners of Public Accounts told us they had requested an Attorney General's opinion on whether the Alabama Constitution applies to extending recovery funds under the American Rescue Plan Act.

On October 22, 2021, Attorney General issued a twelve-page opinion that Alabama Constitution does apply to expenditures of funds, including section 68 and 94 of the Constitution.

Commission Chairman: Chairman Seay stated that Dr. Simmons had signed the Medical Director agreement and now all that was needed was the Sheriff's signature. There is an updated dome removal and portico schedule. The fencing is scheduled to arrive on November 22, 2021. There could be a delay in receiving the awning for the portico. Barring any other delays if everything stays on track the project should be completed by mid-December.

Chairman Seay reminded the Commission that at the November 22, 2021, meeting there would be a public hearing for the County Redistricting Plan.

On November 10, 2021, he has an online meeting with the IAC committee to discuss the ARPA funds. November 16, 2021, is a workshop in Prattville for the ARPA funds.

The Chairman will be attending a meeting on November 19, 2021, at Wiregrass Electric on the planning grant for Highway 167. The Committee should be looking to hire an architect to complete the study.

EMA Director: Mr. Smith stated he had the storm shelter meeting November 1, 2021. Eight (8) applications have been received to date.

Information has been sent out to try and get interested individuals to be on the Hazard Mitigation Committee.

Revenue Commissioner: Ms. Ellison stated that her department remains busy in property tax collections.

Solid Waste Director: Not present

E-911: Mr. Williams stated that the new jail software is in place. They had the Central Square training last week. The plan is for all cities to be on the new software within the next few months.

Auburn Extension: Not present

Commissioner's: Commissioner Fulford stated that the Lytle Community Center would need nine (9) tables and forty (40) chairs.

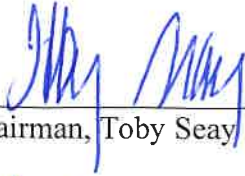
Commissioner Spivey made a motion to allow Mr. Kyle Hovey, President of the Volunteer Fire Fighters Association to speak. Commissioner Fulford seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0. Mr. Hovey stated the Association was very appreciated of all the Commission has done for them and asked that the Commission to please consider the request letters from the various Fire and EMS departments when looking at the budget for the American Rescue Plan funding.

Commissioner Spivey made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fulford seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

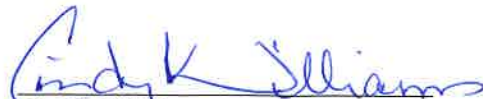
**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF GENEVA**

**REGULAR SESSION
November 8, 2021**


The above constitutes the minutes of the meeting of the Geneva County Commission held on Monday, November 8, 2021.




Chairman, Toby Seay



Cindy Williams
County Administrator



Commissioner Weston Spivey



Commissioner Todd Brannon



Commissioner Bart Wilks



Commissioner Wade Fulford

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