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

The Geneva County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 24, 2022, 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; Sheriff, Tony Helms; EMA Director, Brian Smith; Revenue Commissioner, Mary Ann Ellison and County Administrator, Cindy Williams was also present. The following business was transacted:

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve Minutes of January 10, 2022. Commissioner Spivey made a motion to approve the minutes of January 10, 2022. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
2. Board Appointments: None.
3. Proclamation/Resolution: None
4. Bids/Quotes: None

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Board Appointments: Commissioner Wilks made a motion to reappoint Ms. Lucy Dowdy to the DHR Board. Commissioner Spivey seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

#### REPORTS OF STAFF:

**Sheriff:** The Sheriff stated that currently there is a Covid outbreak in the jail.

**County Administrator:** Mrs. Williams stated that on February 1, 2022 the telephone company would be doing a large-scale maintenance project on the IP lines. The

scheduled maintenance time is from 12:00 am to 8:00 am. Telephone service should not be interrupted.

**County Engineer:** Engineer Barfield stated that two years ago Geneva County received \$670,000.00 from ATRIPIL. The county was notified this past week of the award of \$350,000.00 for turn lanes at Highway 52 and Shiloh Road in Hartford. The right of way clearing has already been completed as well as moving the utilities. Construction should begin in March 2022.

There has been work on a few more FEMA sights.

Don Hatcher, owner of Hatcher Pit, has asked the Road & Bridge department to remediate the pit. This will be completed in the coming weeks and the permit will be terminated through ADEM.

Mr. Barfield presented the Commissioners with a report for his department for FY2021. They completed 48 work orders; sized 98 pipes; installed 128 driveway pipes; sprayed herbicide on both sides of the road for 561.4 miles; graded 2954.96 miles of dirt road; cleared the right of way on 174 miles of road and mowed the right of way on 400 miles of road; dug 34,075 feet of ditches; installed 45 cross drains; installed 227 signs; and completed 7 FEMA projects from Hurricane Sally.

**County Attorney:** Attorney Eldridge stated that the request for bids for the farmland at the Industrial Park has been published in the newspaper and posted in the Courthouse. The bids will be due to the Commission Office by February 10, 2022 at 4:00 pm. They will be opened at the February 14, 2022 Commission meeting.

**Commission Chairman:** Chairman Seay stated that we did not receive the grant for the paving in Bellwood. This was a \$450,000.00 paving project. Not being awarded this grant could be due to some of our more recent grant awards the County has received. He has spoken with Emily VanScyoc with Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development, and she is checking on the application.

**EMA Director:** Mr. Smith had nothing to report.

**Revenue Commissioner:** Ms. Ellison had nothing to report.

**Solid Waste Director:** Mrs. Smith was not present.

**E-911:** Mr. Williams was not present.

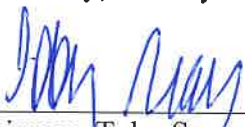
**Auburn Extension:** Not present.


**Commissioner's:** Commissioner Spivey asked Engineer Barfield about the permanent stripping on the recent completed Rebuild Alabama projects. Mr. Barfield stated that we are in line with the contractor, hopefully in the next few weeks it should begin. Commissioner Brannon stated that he had spoken with the local Coop's about carrying driveway pipes. They will carry the pipes and property owners will have several options

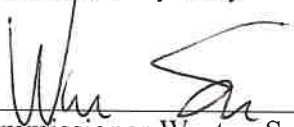
to choose from. They may not stock them all the time but will be able to order them for property owners. Commissioner Fulford asked Engineer Barfield about right of way cutting for this year. Mr. Barfield stated his plan was to contract out the right of way cutting again this year. He also stated that his department should begin herbicide spraying in February. Commissioner Fulford also asked about the completion of the rear parking lot at the Courthouse and Commissioner Spivey asked about the weather days and if there were any liquated damages on this project. Chairman Seay stated he had spoken with the contractor and JMR+H and there have been twenty-six (26) weather days on this project. Mr. McNeill with JMR+H was reaching out to the contractor for more information. Commissioner Fulford also asked when the dumpster would be removed from the parking lot. Chairman Seay stated that the dumpster was part of the ongoing project and would be removed when the project was completed.

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

The above constitutes the minutes of the meeting of the Geneva County Commission held on Monday, January 24, 2022.

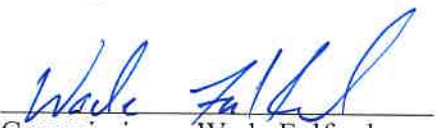
  
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