

*The Russell County Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
9:30 A.M. EDT*

*An adjourned meeting of the Russell County Commission was called to order. Members present were Chair Peggy Martin, Vice Chair Cattie Epps, Gentry Lee, Tillman Pugh, Ronnie Reed, Mervin Dudley and Larry Screws. Also present at the meeting was County Attorney Kenneth Funderburk and County Administrator LeAnn Horne, who kept the minutes.*

*A quorum was established.*

*Chair Martin requested a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Dudley motioned to approve the agenda with the two additions to the business items for a request from the Crawford Volunteer Fire Department and the Coroner's budget transfer request. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.*

*The invocation was given by Alan Griffith, Pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church.*

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Dudley.*

*Chair Martin welcomed elected officials, department heads, media and visitors.*

*Chair Martin requested a motion to approve the May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 meeting minutes. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Dudley. The vote was unanimous.*

*Lee / Russell Council of Governments Representative, Barbara Scott presented resolutions for the Hazard Mitigation Grant. The first resolution is for the acceptance of the grant which will help 13 homeowners build safe rooms on their property. The amount of the grant is \$55,407 with a match of \$34,269 of which \$33,200 will be paid by the homeowners upfront before applying for reimbursements from their Federal share. The County will have only \$1,069 in match to pay. A meeting with the homeowners that participated in the grant application will be held June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. EST at the Russell County EMA office. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Dudley.*

*The second resolution is an agreement between Lee / Russell and the Russell County Commission for the administration fees by Lee / Russell for the grant which will be \$4,876 which is part of the total grant. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Dudley. The vote was unanimous.*

*Chair Martin discussed the ATRIP Grant which was awarded to Russell County by ALDOT for the full dept reclamation for County Road 18.*

*Crisis Center Director Valerie McClain requested a 6 month extension to the lease for the temporary location of the Crisis Center. Grants applications have been submitted for aid in the relocation of the Crisis Center into a permanent facility along with the pending sale of the old Crisis Center building to Phenix City, a 6 month extension will be needed. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the extension and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.*

*Revenue Commissioner Naomi Elliott requested an approval of the Final Settlement Report as follows:*

<i>Total Charges</i>	<i>\$21, 071,758.58</i>
<i>Amount to General Fund</i>	<i>\$3,825,378.62</i>
<i>Amount to Road and Bridge</i>	<i>\$1,501,230.29</i>

*Commissioner Dudley motioned to approve the Final Settlement Report. Seconded by Commissioner Epps. The vote was unanimous.*

*County Engineer Larry Kite presented the following items:*

- o The results for the Used Water Truck Bid that was held May 31, 2012. Eight bid requests were sent to qualified vendors but only one bid was received by Kenworth of Montgomery for the amount of \$44,950 for a 2002 International 4700 with a 2,000 gallon water tank. The 2002 water truck will replace a 1970 Army surplus water truck that has been in use for several years and is not adequate for current construction purposes. Mr. Kite stated he has inspected the vehicle and recommends awarding the bid to Kenworth, contingent to the vehicle being re-inspected and repairs being made to the truck are suitable. This is a budgeted item and is within the budget. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the bid award. Seconded by Commissioner Dudley. The vote was unanimous.*
- o Request for the purchase of two (2) — 15 foot rotary mowers which were approved in the current budget. The 2003 model mowers being used by the Engineering Department are no longer cost effective to repair and keep in service. The State bid list offers for purchase two (2) – 15’ Rotary Cutter, Bush-Whacker St-180 from Hall Manufacturing for the amount of \$8,075 each. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve the purchase and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.*
- o Letter of Intent and resolution for Project Number: RCP 57-025-12 to initiate a resurface and road stripping project on County Road 41 (Boswell Road) from Sandfort Road to Hwy 169, approximately 4.5 miles. This has been included in the ATRIP funds that were applied for. There is a 20% county match which will be submitted in 2012-2013 budget. Mr. Kite also requested approving the Chair and the Administrator to sign those*

documents. Commissioner Dudley motioned to approve Mr. Kite's request. Seconded by Commissioner Lee. The vote was unanimous.

- Request for Removal from ALDOT Annual Maintenance Inspection. The Alabama Department of Transportation inspects certain roads in the county each that have had federal funding in the past. Those roads may not be eligibility for federal aid now; they do affect the ability to acquire federal funds if they are not kept to certain standards. Mr. Kite requested to remove Cedar Heights Road, a dead end with no full time residents, and Long Street, an extension from the Hurtsboro city limits which can be maintained in-house, from the state inspection list to prevent the inability to receive future funding. Commissioner Epps motioned to accept Mr. Kite's recommendation and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

Coroner Sumbry requested a budget transfer for the purchase of body bags and pay department utilities as follows:

General Fund 001

Coroner-52400

Decrease	001 52400 230	Radio Repair	\$250.00
Decrease	001 52400 233	Office Equip/Repair	\$300.00
Decrease	001 52400 253	Advertising	\$100.00
Decrease	001 52400 262	Mileage	\$500.00
Decrease	001 52400 273	Surety Bond	\$320.00
Increase	001 52400 216	Cleaning Supplies	\$1,220.00
Increase	001 52400 242	Natural Gas/Water	\$250.00
		Total	\$1,470.00

Commissioner Dudley motioned to approve the transfer and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

Building Inspector Greg Smith discussed a request fro the Crawford Volunteer Fire Department to waive fees for the new addition to their building which is also a voting site for the county. Buildings over 2,500 square feet are required to have an architectural stamp plans, the new addition to the fire department will be 1,200 square feet, which will not require that fee. The fire department requested that the permit fee be waived. The amount of the fee is \$916 and includes all inspections and plan review, which will still be performed though the fire department will not pay a fee. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve waiving the building permit fee. Seconded by Commissioner Dudley. The vote was unanimous.

Chair Martin announced the Mill Creek Clean Up, will be held June 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00a.m. to 11:00a.m. Volunteers are needed.

*Russell County Utility Maintenance Supervisor Carl Curenton announced the Russell County Utilities will now follow the County's holiday schedule. The solid waste pick-up will not be affected other than residents can expect their service to be the next business day following the holiday.*

*Garrett Miles Concert will be at the Amphitheater Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>.*

*Commissioner Lee motioned to adjourn the meeting.*

*The meeting was adjourned.*