# **September 15, 2025**

At a scheduled meeting of the Walker County Commission held in their offices in the Walker County Courthouse Annex, Jasper, Alabama, at 9:30 a.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, Chairman Miller gave the welcome and called the meeting to order.

After Chairman Miller gave the invitation for comment from citizens and other elected officials, County Administrator Amy Frederickson called the roll and Commissioners present were John Dunagan, Jeff Burrough, and Jim Borden.

Commissioner Burrough gave the invocation and Probate Judge Lee Tucker led the pledge of allegiance.

## AWARDS AND PRESENTATION:

None

### CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to Approve the Agenda; Approve the Claims Against the County for August 2025; and to Approve the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2025, and the Emergency Meeting of September 4, 2025.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One; Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

## **REPORTS FROM STAFF:**

County Administrator Amy Frederickson welcomed everyone with 'Good Morning' and reminded everyone of the budget work session for FY2026 that will be Wednesday at 9:30 in the Commission Meeting Room and encouraged everyone to attend.

County Engineer Glenn Peek gave an update on the Road Projects in District Two and District Three and stated that the remainder of what he has will be during the meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- (1) Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of the Following Bids:
  - a. Bid #852, Resurfacing of District One Roads (Walston Bridge & Sunlight)
  - b. Bid # 853, Resurfacing of District Four Road (Old Pineywoods)
  - c. Bid # 854, One 2019 or Newer Semi-Trailer

After explanation and recommendation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, Chairman Miller stating that Commissioner Aderholt asked that since he will not be present today that Item (b) be tabled, and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve as follows:

- a. Bid # 852, Resurfacing of District One Roads (Walston Bridge & Sunlight) to the lowest bidder, Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc. for \$745,000.
- b. To table Bid # 853, Resurfacing of District Four (Old Pineywoods)
- c. Bid # 854, One 2019 or Newer Semi-Trailer to Ryder for \$48,205

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(2) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of JFX FY2025 State Funding Resolution.

After explanation by County Engineer Glenn Peek and input by Chairman Miller, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the JFX FY2025 State Funding Resolution.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(3) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of JFX FY2026 AIP-AIG Funding Resolution.

After explanation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to Approve the JFX FY2026 AIP-AIG Funding Resolution.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(4) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Hold Public Hearing on Petition to Vacate a Portion of River Ridge Trace off Sipsey Road in District Four.

After explanation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to Hold Public Hearing on Petition to Vacate a Portion of River Ridge Trace off Sipsey Road in District Four.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(5) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Resolution Adopting Section 3-1-5, Code of Alabama (1975), Requiring the Confinement of Dogs in Walker County.

After County Administrator Amy Frederickson read Section 3-1-5 Code of Alabama (1975), input by County Attorney Charles R. Stephens, Jr., and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Resolution Adopting Section 3-1-5 Code of Alabama (1975), Requiring the Confinement of Dogs in Walker County.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(6) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Resolution Regarding Appointment of Agent(s) to Inspect Alleged Violations Concerning Cruelty to or Neglect of Animals. (This Resolution Rescinds All Prior Appointments Made Pursuant to Section 13A-11-242, Code of Alabama 1975.)

After County Administrator Amy Frederickson read the Resolution Regarding the Appointment of Agent(s) to Inspect Alleged Violations Concerning Cruelty to or Neglect of Animals, and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Resolution Regarding Appointment of Agent(s) to Inspect Alleged Violations Concerning Cruelty to or Neglect of Animals. (This Resolution Rescinds All Prior Appointments Made Pursuant to Section 13A-11-242, Code of Alabama 1975.)

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared this motion carried.

(7) Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Walker County Safety Action Plan and Courthouse Lockdown Policy & Procedure.

After explanation by EMA Director Regina Myers and input by Chairman Miller, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Approve the Walker County Safety Action Plan and Courthouse Lockdown Policy & Procedure.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(8) Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Authorize the Chairman to Authorize the Addition of New Hires to Payroll So Long as the Hiring Department is Within Prescribed Budget and Slot List.

After explanation by Chairman Miller and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve the Request to Authorize the Chairman to Authorize the Addition of New Hires to Payroll So Long as the Hiring Department is Within Prescribed Budget and Slot List.

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(9) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Alabama Department of Revenue to Administer and Collect Sales, Consumer Use, Sellers Use, Rental, Lodgings, Tobacco, and Motor Fuels Taxes Levied by the County of Walker.

After explanation by the local tax liaison for the Alabama Department of Revenue for the Northern half of the State, Mr. Cameron Clark, input by County Attorney Charles R. Stephens, Jr., and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Alabama Department of Revenue to Administer and Collect Sales, Consumer Use, Sellers Use, Rental, Lodgings, Tobacco, and Motor Fuels Taxes Levied by the County of Walker.

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(10) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to transfer Mr. Brandon Samuel to the Position of Journeyman Mechanic is District Two.

After explanation by Commissioner Burrough, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to transfer Mr. Brandon Samuel to the Position of Journeyman Mechanic is District Two.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Dunagan thanked everyone for coming. He stated, "I'm looking forward to our road paving projects starting. I wish we could do a lot more. Maybe one day we'll have the funding to do it. And anybody that's wanting to see budgets, I'm more than willing to sit down and show mine. I have no problem showing what my budget is for anybody that has questions about it."

Commissioner Burrough stated, "Again. thank everybody in attendance today. I appreciate everybody coming. Again, I know we don't have a whole lot to do with the Foothills Festival, but I think a lot of people in the county enjoyed the weekend. I'm just going to go straight to what we're doing in District Two. As Glenn mentioned, we had Nichols Road and Hillard Loop on the west side, just basically got new asphalt covering here in the last month. Those were the two projects that I had sort of on the inhouse Rebuild Walker County initiative we started, you know, a few months ago. But those are the two that I had and they're finished. We've got a couple of small projects that we're doing inhouse, tar and gravel road up towards the Nauvoo area. Also, we'll do a final cutting. Our tractors will be out in the month of October doing the last cutting of the season. Again, I want to thank everybody for being here. I want to thank everybody that works for us because y'all all do a tremendous job in helping us stay ahead of the game in running our departments and I appreciate you."

Commissioner Borden stated, "Thank everyone for being here. District Three, we never get caught up. It's, I guess technically, a year-round project. I've got two tractors trying to cut some seven hundred miles of right-of-way. So, our tractors are out. They're down in the Parrish area, back over kind of to the western side of the county. We work our way — start at one end and work our way through. So, we are coming. I look forward to seeing some of our little paving projects to get going. As our engineer stated, we're waiting on contractors. We approved this, I think, what a month and a half ago, roughly on our bids for the work to be done. It's up to the contractors, they work on their time schedule. Again, thank everyone for being here. Thank our employees, our first responders for what they do for the county."

Chairman Miller stated, "I, too, would like to say thank you for everyone attending. Like always, we do our best to continue the progress of Walker County. We certainly want to thank Mr. Clark for his trip here today and appreciate what he does and I think this will be something good for the County and the savings are great. I also want to thank Ms. Regina, she done a great job on this study and putting this together for the emergency Action Plan for Walker County. So, we appreciate that. Every employee that this County has, we thank you because without you we could not make this county run. With that said, I'd entertain a motion to adjourn."

# **ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Burrough that this meeting be adjourned to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled meeting or at the call of the Chairman.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District One: Aye; District Two: Aye; District Tour: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Read and Approved:

Chairman

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