

May 6, 2024

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 6th day of May, 2024, 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, Barbara Higgins called the roll and Commissioners present were Jeff Burrough and Jim Borden. Chairman Miller inquired of the County Attorney if they have a quorum and Mr. Fikes answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Al Blanton gave the invocation and Mr. Carl Carpenter led the pledge of allegiance.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATION:

Chairman Miller read and presented a Proclamation to Ms. Annalee Rubley and fellow co-workers from Northwest Mental Health, Proclaiming May 2024 as Mental Health Month. A photo session followed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Agenda; to Approve the Commission Meeting Minutes of April 1 and April 2, 2024; to Approve the New Vendor list and to Approve the Claims Against the County for April 2024.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated that paving on Smith Chapel Road started Friday, that they had a weather delay so it will take another two weeks or so before striping is completed and then they will have to have a bridge inspection, and he hopes they will finish up by the end of this month. He further stated that the project on Empire Road is completed, that they are waiting on striping.

Accountant Randy Dodd presented the Commission with a midyear budget report and asked and gave copies to others as requested. Mr. Dodd gave a detailed explanation, stating that the General Fund will be slightly over budget, most departments are within their budget, but the Sheriff will be over budget about a Million Dollars. Mr. Dodd stated, "I'm available for questions."

Chairman Miller asked, "So the general fund as a whole basically that we're looking at right now, we're headed project-wise about, if I'm looking right, \$289,000 over?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "That's right. Some departments are under budget, Revenue Commissioner and the Probate Judge are well under their budget."

Sheriff Nick Smith stated, "Randy, I do have a question. I don't want the public to be misled. Out of that \$7,429,000 that you estimated for overages, how much of that is the 107 Expense, which is its own separate –

Mr. Dodd stated, "About half a million."

Sheriff Smith asked, "How much of that is going to be overage in inmate medical? How much are you projecting that is going to be?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "About two hundred thousand."

Sheriff Smith stated, "So, it's safe to say we're not over budget a million, because those are two isolated expenditures. If something breaks down in the jail, it requires the 107 fund to fix it, I do not control intercom systems going out that's a hundred or two hundred thousand dollars. I do not control when the fire alarm system because its 30 years old as well goes down and its over a hundred thousand dollars. I do not control toilets tearing up, AC units going out that cost seven hundred thousand dollars to replace or fix. The Sheriff does not control those and cannot control those. No different if something blows up in the building here and a disaster happens, the Commission is responsible for fixing and maintaining this building, is that an overage for them?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "It's a fair question. You can't control some of the things that are causing –

Sheriff Smith, "Yeah, but you're making it sound one way and in reality it's a different way. I agree to the fact that we will spend probably close to this amount of money, but its not a budgeted expense. I'm budgeted \$6.185 Million a year, but you're saying I'm going to spend \$7.429 Million. You're not giving the people the breakdown of where those funds and overages went."

Mr. Dodd, "Well, the breakdown to me is 90% of it is payroll and inmate medical."

Sheriff Smith stated, "Yeah, at the end of the day it's payroll, fuel and maintenance. Those will be you're three things. There's nothing else to cut. And I think Commissioner Davis has said it many times before, there's nothing left to cut but bone. The Commission doesn't provide money for vehicles. They don't provide the vehicles that we buy and purchase that the deputies drive. And also, they make \$13, \$14 an hour and I understand the Commission is taking that into consideration and has a pay plan study to go from, but I just want it broke down to 107 – so where are we at on expenses for 107 as of today?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "Well, I've got the exact number as of March 31st, is about a half million dollars has been spent so far this year."

Sheriff Smith stated, "All right. So, that's \$500,000 you say I'm over, right?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "Prior to 2019 that money is not available to Sheriff Departments to spend – this is new spending."

Sheriff Smith stated, "Everything that is spent out of 107 is approved by the Chairman."

Chairman Miller stated, "So, let's realize – the Sheriff is taking this the wrong way. Nobody is after you. What we're after here is looking at where we're at over all

\$289,000. And what we're trying to do is look at 107 just like you had in the newspaper about can we fund that. We have to look at the budget as a whole because as you can see Fund 107 is probably not going to be able to do that. Just like you and I talked and we've got dollars and dollars and dollars to look at with that 24/7 medical. Listen, this is the most important thing to take care of life in the jail, beyond a shadow of a doubt. And that's what this Commission wants to do and looking at these numbers and giving everybody a look as to where we're at, is what this is about. And trying to figure out what we're going to do. So—

Sheriff Smith stated, "Just one more question and I won't say another word."

Chairman Miller stated, "All right."

Sheriff Smith stated, "Is it fair to say that that overage is maintenance related to the building and inmate medical cost?"

Mr. Dodd stated, "That's a fair statement. I also want to add payroll, which is a big number. It's 71% in cost. Look at overtime. Overtime has just spiraled. Is it reasonable to say that we might can reduce that number?"

Sheriff Smith stated, "Yes, I will say this – I said I wasn't going to say nothing else, but I will since you brought it up. Overtime, it's the same thing that Mr. Tucker just said, it's very hard to find employees that want to work. So, obviously I'm running the bare minimum right now at the jail, and that's four people a shift. If I've got three people out at the hospital, I can't take those three people out of four in the jail and have them sit with somebody out at the hospital, so what do I have to do? I have to call somebody in from the outside to come in and cover that shift for overtime. The same way with deputies, I mean, if somebody calls in – we've had this conversation, I know, for like six years of being Sheriff, the sick day policy and we're a 24/7 operation, we're not a Monday through Friday operation from 9:00 to 4:00 where we can sit down and prepare a budget. I have to keep a certain level of staffing out on the streets to protect this county with 814 square miles that this county has to patrol. Now, again, if somebody calls in sick and uses a sick day or abuses a sick day policy, we have to call somebody in to cover that shift. Yes, overtime is going to be larger than it was 2018 and a 7% increase in pay. Obviously, that's going to increase. We have traffic grant overtime and we get reimbursed. So, there's a lot of reimbursable expenses and I'm not sure you've been given that full picture."

Mr. Dodd stated, "Another thing I wanted to mention to the Commission. Other counties are starting to utilize a procedure called Just in Time Cash. It's where you take your daily cash balances and you transfer them to a money market account that invests in 90 day treasury bills that currently pay 5% interest. We have a lot of cash balances sitting in our checking accounts that are earning no interest. The way this process works, if you have Two Million Dollars in the General Fund checking account, you would transfer 1.8 Million to a money market account that's a treasure bill, it's earning 5% daily. When you need the money to have a payroll run or accounts payable run, you transfer the money back. You can get it back within one day through a direct deposit. But by doing that, you maximize your interest. Right now, we have some lazy money sitting in our checking accounts earning no interest. With the T-bill rated 5%, I would recommend that we check on utilizing that Just in Time Cash and maximize our interest

rate. And that's all I have."

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Adopt a Resolution to Appoint Mr. Harold Hulsey to the Copeland Ferry/Pumpkin Center Board of Directors and allow his term to extend to the year 2025. He will be replacing Board Member Ms. Carol Warren.

After explanation by Chairman Miller that they had received a letter requesting the same, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve Mr. Harold Hulsey to the Copeland Ferry/Pumpkin Center Board of Directors and allow his term to extend to the March 2025.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(2) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Appoint Ms. Sarah Webb to the Tri-County Agency for Intellectual Disabilities to replace Mr. Jonathan Mayhall.

After Chairman Miller explained that the Commission received a letter requesting the same, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Appoint Ms. Sarah Webb to the Tri-County Agency for Intellectual Disabilities.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(3) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Award Bid No. 817 – Resurfacing of District Two Roads.

After explanation and recommendation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden that all bids be rejected and that Bid No. 817 – Resurfacing of District Two Roads be rebid.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(4) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Award Bid No. 819–Crushed

Limestone.

After explanation by County Engineer Glenn Peek that it will be awarded per district, input from County Attorney Richard Fikes and a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to table this until the next Commission Meeting.

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: 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 Bid No. 820 – Slag or Stone.

After explanation by County Engineer Glenn Peek that this will also be awarded per district, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to table Bid 820 to next Commission Meeting.

With no further discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: 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 Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to execute State-Sub-recipient Agreement – Hazard Mitigation Grant Program HMPG DR 4555-0002 (EMA).

After explanation by EMA Director Regina Myers that this is a FEMA grant for a community shelter for Dora, a 96-person shelter, \$125,000 with a match of \$12,500, that the Town of Dora will be covering and doing all the work on the shelter site, and a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve the State-Sub-recipient Agreement- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program HMGP DR 4555-0002 (EMA).

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(7) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to hire Colby Tubbs, Derrick Hubbard and Joseph Cox as Full-time Driver/Operators for Solid Waste.

After explanation by Solid Waste Director John Dunagan that they are already working and it's just moving them into classification, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to hire Colby Tubbs, Derrick Hubbard and Joseph Cox as Full-time Driver/Operators for Solid Waste effective May 8, 2024.

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

Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(8) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to hire James Dockins as Part-time Director of Solid Waste.

After explanation by Director John Dunagan and a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to hire James Dockins as Part-time Director of Solid Waste Department.

With no discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: 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 to allow the Solid Waste Department to close Saturday May 25th and Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day Weekend.

After explanation by Director John Dunagan, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve the Solid Waste Department schedule to close Saturday May 25th and Monday May 27th for Memorial Day Weekend.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(10) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Post for Accounts Receivable Clerk for the Commission Office and to hire Tammy Elliott as Temporary Accounts Receivable Clerk for the Commission Office for 120 days effective May 8, 2024.

After explanation by Chairman Miller, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to post for Accounts Receivable Clerk for the Commission Office and to hire Tammy Elliott as Temporary Accounts Receivable Clerk for the Commission Office for 120 days effective May 8, 2024.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(11) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Assign duties to County Administrator Robbie Dickerson.

County Attorney Richard Fikes read aloud: "In addition to the duties set forth in the Commission Minutes of November 26, 2023, the County Administrator, Robbie Dickerson, shall be assigned the following duties consistent with the general administrator duties: Provide monthly reports to the Commission Office as to all items related to the Sheriff's Office budget, including projections for budget deficits and amendments to the budget of the Sheriff's Office; Properly process all medical claims for inmates to assure appropriate payments are issued; Provide updated inventory on a yearly basis for all inventory of the Sheriff's Department, which is confirmed with visual inspection; Provide and submit proper requisition forms for all Sheriff Department purchases; and Assist as directed with other duties assigned."

Administrator Dickerson stated, "May I ask a question? In order to do some of this I need access to the systems. I cannot wait for days to get what I need in order to process the medical bills and so forth. I need to be able to get in cabinets and I need to be able to get into FM for sure. Otherwise. I cannot do it. It would be months in arrears."

Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to approve to Assign duties to County Administrator Robbie Dickerson as read by County Attorney Richard Fikes (copy attached).

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Chairman Miller stated, "And Ms. Robbie we will work on that."

Administrator Dickerson further stated, "You took all of that away from me. I'd like an approval here in front of people that you're going to fix it."

Chairman Miller stated, "Ms. Robbie, we're good. Thank you."

(12) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to purchase Union Chapel Community Center.

After explanation by Commissioner Borden and a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to purchase Union Chapel Community Center for \$35,000.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(13) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval for the County to recoup costs incurred for providing copies of public records per the public records request form.

After explanation by County Attorney Richard Fikes, motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to approve for the

County to recoup costs incurred for providing copies of public records per the public records request form.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(14) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Approve the Simple Grants 45 – 60 hours \$7,425 - \$9,900.

After explanation by Chairman Miller that this is a grant to do a study on safe streets and roads, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Simple Grants 45 – 60 hours \$7,425 - \$9,900.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(15) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to declare an emergency and take bids to replace the 74-ton chiller for the Main Courthouse.

After explanation by County Attorney Richard Fikes and input by Chairman Miller, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to declare an emergency and take bids without advertising in the paper to replace the 74-ton chiller for the Main Courthouse.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(16) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to hire Austin Gray as Temporary Common Laborer for 120 days in the Maintenance Department.

After explanation by Chairman Miller, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to hire Austin Gray as Temporary Common Laborer for 120 days in the Maintenance Department.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(17) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion and approval to post for County Administrator.

After explanation by Chairman Miller, motion was made by Commissioner

Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to post for County Administrator.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(18) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to add additional duties to the Chairman.

After County Attorney Richard Fikes refers to Section 11-3-20 of the Code of Alabama which states that the Chairman can be given additional duties on vote by majority of the members of the County Commission and after reading the additional duties as follows: ' Supervise, discipline, reprimand or terminate any and all commission office employees including County Administrators; the Chairman to post, interview and hire Commission Officer personnel; the Chairman to post, interview and hire personnel for the Solid Waste Department', motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve to adopt the ACCA Resolution and to add the aforementioned additional duties to the Chairman of Walker County, Alabama.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(19) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Approve the Resolution for County Morgue Interior.

After explanation by Chairman Miller, input by Keith Duncan and a brief discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Resolution for County Morgue Interior and accept the low bid by Prestige Construction.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(20) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Approve Bevill State Community College to use Old Airport for Truck Driver Training.

After explanation by EMA Director Regina Myers, input by Chairman Miller, a brief discussion, and County Attorney Richard Fikes stating that he thinks everything is good with it, that they will not interfere with the counties activities but will help train county employees who require CDLs, that it is a month to month lease agreement and can be terminated at any time, motion was made by Commissioner Borden and

seconded by Commissioner Burrough to Approve Bevill State Community College to use Old Airport for Truck Driver Training.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

After County Attorney Richard Fikes stated that no letter was needed from him on this matter, motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough that this meeting be adjourned to Executive Session to reconvene.

**(COMMISSION RETIRES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION)
(COMMISSION RESUMES)**

Chairman Miller called the Commission back to order.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to reconvene the Commission Meeting.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declares the motion carried.

(COMMISSION MEETING RECONVENES)

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Burrough made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Borden to add Item 21 to the Agenda, Resolution pertaining to the Walker County Revenue Commissioner Jerry Guthrie.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(21) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Item 21, Resolution pertaining to Walker County Revenue Commissioner Jerry Guthrie.

After explanation by Revenue Commissioner Jerry Guthrie, input by Probate Judge Lee Tucker and Accountant Randy Dodd, and much discussion, motion was made

by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to approve the Resolution, which removes the monetary limitation and increases the percent of average compensation from 75% to 90%, and to approve an expense allowance for the Walker County Revenue Commissioner not to exceed \$10,000.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Burrough stated he appreciated everyone that is here and the ones that work for our County. He said it was getting the time of year to get out and get these projects started, that District Two has several Road Projects that have been bid on through the Engineering Department. He said Smith Chapel Bridge is getting close to opening, that grass cutting season is coming soon and asked that the citizens be cognitive of that so that they will have a safe mowing season. He reemphasized his appreciation for each employee that works day to day to day for our county.

Commissioner Borden made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burrough to add Item 22 to the Agenda, Resolution for emergency feeding fund for inmates at the Walker County Jail as requested by Sheriff Nick Smith.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(22) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open for discussion of Resolution for emergency feeding fund for inmates at the Walker County Jail as requested by Sheriff Nick Smith.

After explanation by Sheriff Nick Smith, motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to approve the Resolution for emergency feeding fund for inmates at the Walker County Jail as requested by Sheriff Nick Smith.

With a brief discussion, the vote taken resulted as follows: District Two: Aye; District Three: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Borden stated that he appreciated everyone being here, that they have challenges ahead of them for the rest of this year and the coming years, which stems from the services that we provide. He stated, "We're always hunting money. It always comes down to the money. We want to work with all of our departments to see that the departments and the employees have what they need to do their job. I support all of our department leaders. I support all of our departments in the county, our road

crews, the Sheriff's Office, the Jail, Revenue and the Probate Office. Our district guys they're out there working every day for us. We have in the works now – I know we keep coming back trying to retain and gain new employees in the future for this county. And that's future for our county. If we don't have people to work, then there's no alternative in a way. So, hopefully this Condrey study will bring to light, give us some options that we can begin to work as a group and as a Commission to solve some of these problems. Again, we have a lot on our plate. We'll work through them. I'm going to do everything that I can for the betterment of the citizens of this County. And I'll make my decisions accordingly. Again, thank everyone for being here."

Chairman Miller stated, "And I, too, would like to say thank you to everyone that has attended. It is a long session that we've had, but we have – as Jim said, trying to move this County in a forward direction and we're working hard to do that. We appreciate each and every one of you for being here. And as the Sheriff said, he and I spoke over the weekend about this 24/7 medical, and we're going to sit down, he and I, and look at the 107 where it's at, what we can do, what ifs, everything that's together, we'll get Mr. Fikes involved to look at some of the verbiage, I'm sure, on the contract because it is coming up and I think we have re-ups that basically is just going to let us move forward with that if we can continue with it. And all of the road departments, all of the Revenue, Probate, we do appreciate everyone that works for this county, and in the next few months we've got an opportunity to make this County better and better. Walker County has got a positive outlook on the horizon. Let's keep it moving that direction. With that I'll entertain a motion to adjourn."

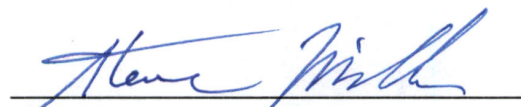
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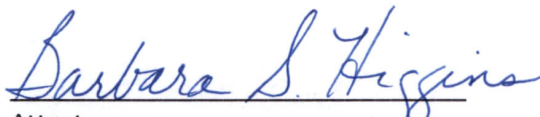
Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough that this meeting be adjourned to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled meeting or at the call of the Chairman.

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

With no opposition the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Read and Approved:


Chairman


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