

July 20, 2026

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 20th day of July 2026, 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, Jim Borden and Steven Aderholt.

Kelly Bell gave the invocation and County Administrator Amy Frederickson led the pledge of allegiance.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATION:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Approve the Agenda; to Approve the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 6, 2026; and to Approve the New Vendor List for June 2026.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

County Administrator Amy Frederickson stated, "Good morning, everyone. Just a brief reminder that we have this year budget work session for fiscal year 2027 this Thursday in this room beginning at 9:30a.m. I will send out time slot -- at least anticipated time slots in 30-minute-increments probably this afternoon to all the departments."

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated, "Currently, we are waiting on contractors for paving jobs and striping. They're not able to give me an updated schedule of when they will be moving in. And that's all I have at this time."

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Fund 101 FY2026 Budget Amendment Proposal.

After explanation by County Administrator Amy Frederickson, Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Approve Fund 101 FY2026 Budget Amendment Proposal.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(2) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Designate as Surplus and Sell by Public Auction (GovDeals.com) the following Vehicles:

- a. 2014 Ford Explorer VIN #M5K8B86EGB96277
- b. 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 VIN# 3GCUKNEC7GG232354

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(3) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Low Bidder for Project No. 25-RLE-B-5 Bridge Replacement on Gibson Hill Road Over Frost Creek.

After explanation and recommendation by County Engineer Glenn Peek and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt to Approve to Award Project No. 25-RLE-B-5 Bridge Replacement on Gibson Hill Road Over Frost Creek to the low bidder Murphree Bridge Corporation.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(4) Motion was made by Commissioner Aderholt and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Bid #871, Project No. WCP 64-03-26 Quinton Road Resurfacing.

After explanation and recommendation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, Motion was made by Commissioner Aderholt and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Approve to Award Bid #871, Project No. WCP 64-03-26 Quinton Road Resurfacing to the low bidder, Central Alabama Asphalt and Construction Company.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

(5) Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to In-Service Transfer (from the Eligible Register) Mr. Rodney Cain to the Full Time Position of Solid Waste Manager, Effective 7/20/2026.

After Chairman Miller stated that the letter from the Civil Service Board was in their packet, Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to Approve to In-Service Transfer (from the Eligible Register) Mr. Rodney Cain to the Full Time Position of Solid Waste Manager, Effective 7/20/2026.

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

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Aderholt stated, "I thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to add a comment to the Quinton Road Resurfacing Project. This is supposed to be in conjunction with also Thornton Lake Road, which is adjacent to it, but it is two totally different projects because it's such -- It's going to require a lot more work on the Quinton Road. Glenn can speak to that. But the Thornton Lake Road will be next in line with this project, and I'm glad we're able to get one road finally resurfaced and help those people in that area. Thank everybody for coming today."

Commissioner Borden stated, "I want to thank everyone for being here today. I want to ask Glenn; in a past meeting, we discussed some of the stuff I was going to do with the million dollars that we all got out of the Surplus Funds of the Commission for our roadwork. We have applied for our rebuild grant for --"

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated, "Annual Rebuild Alabama Grant and we have -- it has went through two drawings; we have not received it either time."

Commissioner Borden continued, "Correct. We applied for this early last year, I believe it was, and it was going to be around the \$400,000 mark."

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated, "Yes, we would receive \$350,000 and we would be responsible for what was over that, yes, sir."

Commissioner Borden continued, "So, I had plans of doing maybe a couple of different roads but now that we've been turned down for our grant, the road, the Blackwood Road -- It will actually consist of Tubbs Hill all the way up Blackwood, cross Brown's Bridge, whatever -- we will put that out for bid with our -- or go with our annual bid --"

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated, "We will use our annual bid to start on it as soon as we can get the contractors moving."

Commissioner Borden continued, "As soon as we get the contracts, I'll release that information, the dollar amount that it takes, but because we can't seem to get any monies through Montgomery, this puts another \$300,000-plus burden on District Three to try to do multiple projects. So, we will just have to reassess with what we have at this time. But, the work, I just want the people on the Brown's Bridge part to know, Blackwood Road, that we are continuing with that project. As soon as we get everything lined up, we'll proceed with that. And then we will re-evaluate what we can do with what's left. We've got several little projects that I need to work on, but we will do as we get to that."

Again, I just wish there was a way that we could come up with more monies for these districts. And like I said, I apply for this stuff, or with Glenn, take pictures of the roads -- It's an uphill battle, but we still try every day. Like I said, we are forced into doing what we have to do with what we have. Unless we come up with another form of funding for some of these projects -- It's a tough go, but with that said, that's all I have."

Commissioner Burrough stated, "I just want to thank everybody for coming and having an interest in our county government and I appreciate your attendance. And I appreciate all our employees that work hard for us each, and every day. District Two has plenty of road projects that we've just got completed. And we've got one more scheduled for this summer. We are praying for the rain to quit, every day, so we can quit picking up trees. Thank you for coming."

Commissioner Dunagan stated, "I thank everybody for coming. I thank all of our employees for what you do. Again, we are out cutting, I know it don't look like it, but we get done and it starts right back, so please be mindful of our workers. Again, we work for you, the public, so thank y'all."

Chairman Miller stated, "Well, I, too, would like to thank everyone and I just want to say, isn't it a privilege that we're able to come to meetings and worship our Lord and Savior on Sundays and all through the week? Aren't we living in a wonderful, wonderful country? You know, America -- when we read the Declaration of Independence on the Courthouse Square, -- You know, you think about America a lot, but when you really read that Declaration, you really understand and realize what those men and women of the colonial days went through to establish what we have today. We are thankful for that. We are thankful for the men and women in arms and the folks who are out there today, men and women over around Iran and those places that are carrying out the liberties that we have today and making sure we continue those liberties. I want to remember them today and remember those men and women and the Veterans of our past wars and that service. You know, again, isn't it a wonderful country? With that said, I'd entertain a motion to adjourn."

ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt 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 Three: Aye; District Four: Aye.

With no opposition, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Read and Approved:



Chairman



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