

September 8, 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 8th day of September 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.

Reverend David Miller gave the invocation and County Engineer Glenn Peek led the pledge of allegiance.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATION:

An informative presentation was given by Ms. Iva Hendon on Election Integrity.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt to Approve the Agenda and to Approve the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meetings of July 20, 2026 and of August 3, 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. I'd just like to remind you or announce that we will be having flu vaccinations at the end of this month -- let me double check the date -- it will be the 28th at noon in this room. So, if anyone is interested, anyone that participates in our health insurance program, please encourage their attendance from noon to 1 o'clock in this room on the 28th. "

County Engineer Glenn Peek stated, "Currently we're working on plans for future projects and waiting on contractors to finish up a few others. We did have a striping crew come in the last couple of weeks that did a lot of striping. We also have a preconstruction meeting tomorrow for the Gibson Hill Road Bridge Replacement. And once we have a schedule from the contractor, we'll be letting the public know when that bridge will be closed up and how long. That's all I have."

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Motion was made by Commissioner Aderholt and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Close Non-Essential County Offices September 11, 2026, Due to Foothills Festival Road Closures.

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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.

(2) Motion was made by Commissioner Aderholt and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) Emergency Management Performance Grant FY2026 Cooperative Agreement.

After explanation by EMA Director Regina Myers, Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Borden to Approve the Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) Emergency Management Performance Grant FY2026 Cooperative Agreement.

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 Aderholt to open discussion of Discussion and Approval to Award Sain & Associates, Inc., the Contract for Professional Engineering Services for Walker County's SS4A Planning & Demonstration Grant and to Authorize Chairman to Review and Execute the Same.

After explanation and recommendation by County Engineer Glenn Peek, Motion was made by Commissioner Aderholt and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Award Sain & Associates, Inc., the Contract for Professional Engineering Services for Walker County's SS4A Planning & Demonstration Grant and to Authorize Chairman to Review and Execute the Same.

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.

(4) Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of \$9,500.00 Davis Tree Proposal for Tree Clearing & Maintenance at Airport.

After explanation by Janet Clayton and much discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt to approve the \$9,500.00 Davis Tree Proposal for Tree Clearing & Maintenance at Airport.

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.

(5) Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Burrough to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Fairgrounds Right to Access Agreement with Graham & Associates.

After explanation by Commissioner Burrough and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to Approve Fairgrounds Right to Access Agreement with Graham & Associates.

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.

(6) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Re-Appraisal Fund FY2026 Budget Amendment Request.

After explanation by Andy McSpadden from the Revenue (Re-Appraisal) Office, Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to approve Re-Appraisal Fund FY2026 Budget Amendment Request.

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 this motion carried.

(7) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Reebo Reeves Invitational, Inc. Application to Use Old Fairgrounds October 3, 2026, for Memorial Scholarship Fund Annual Rodeo.

After explanation by County Administrator Amy Frederickson and Input by Commissioner Burrough, Motion was made by Commissioner Dunagan and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt to Approve Reebo Reeves Invitational, Inc. Application to Use Old Fairgrounds October 3, 2026, for Memorial Scholarship Fund Annual Rodeo.

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.

(8) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of Resolution Entitled "Revocation of General Use Permits for Automated License Plate Readers," Providing for the Timely (30-Day) Removal of All ALPRs from County Right-of-Ways.

Upon the Chairman's request, County Attorney Charles R. Stephens, Jr. read the Resolution aloud. After a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Dunagan to approve the Resolution Entitled "Revocation of General Use Permits for Automated License Plate Readers," Providing for the Timely (30-Day) Removal of All ALPRs from County Right-of-Ways.

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.

(9) Motion was made by Commissioner Burrough and seconded by Commissioner Borden to open discussion of Discussion and Approval of FY2027 Walker County – Bevill Field Airport Funding Pre-Application.

After explanation by Janet Clayton and a brief discussion, Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt to approve FY2027 Walker County – Bevill Field Airport Funding Pre-Application.

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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Burrough stated, "I've requested to go first, and mainly I wanted to thank Ms. Hendon for her presentation and taking the time and your group to do the, I guess, an audit of our county on what's actually going on. At this time, I know you waited patiently till the end of the meeting, but I've got one question. At the State level, I guess you're meeting with other groups in other counties and discussing these things?"

Ms. Hendon Responded: "Yes, sir. We have a state-wide grassroots election integrity group. And we are working in several counties to try to do the very same thing that we've done here. It takes a while. And some of those counties have been working for months. And many are ready to present to their commissioners, just like I did to you. And some have already done that. I think Shelby County had a presentation a couple of weeks ago. Morgan County has presented. There's another one presenting today down

in Coffee County. And then we just have September and October. It's happening across the State. So, we're hoping that if enough counties see the need for reform that this will start a fire storm."

Commissioner Burrough stated, "I don't mind sort of leading the Commission on this as far as meeting them and doing what we've got to do – I mean, we're all concerned about that too. We want the same thing that you guys want."

Ms. Hendon responded: "Well, I'll get with Steve Miller or whoever I need to."

Commissioner Burrough stated, "Well, that's what I – I'm sort of trying to do right here. You know, I was proposing maybe a type of work session or something one day where we can meet and if it's okay with the Commissioners that particular day, but meet in here and discuss publicly, you know, the next steps and action that we need to do to try to help you here at the local level."

Ms. Hendon responded: "Okay. If you can give me some dates that you guys can do it, then I'll get with the State Team and try to bring him in a good expert team to discuss it."

Commissioner Burrough asked of Chairman Miller: "In y'all's discussion at the State level are they going to make it to State ACCA our leader in the County Government. Have you heard anything at the State level?"

Chairman Miller stated: "No."

Commissioner Burrough responded: "This is just starting."

Chairman Miller: "Right. And we have Legislative Conference the 28th and 29th of October. So, there is some discussion already brewing about this for that Legislative Committee. But now as to what, how, nothing yet."

Commissioner Burrough stated: "If you will, just stay in touch with Steve and I'll be glad to meet with you guys on a day or whatever and keep the rest of the Commissioners up to date on what's going on with your group and try to help you move forward in Walker County."

Ms. Hendon responded: "Thank you so much."

Chairman Miller stated: "Maybe get in a work session at some point because we have Open Meetings Act. We'll have to schedule the work session so that it's open to the general public. And that way, all Commissioners can come to the work session and get all the information. So, we'll try to set that up if you'll just – we'll look at maybe the

first of October somewhere in that neighborhood.”

Commissioner Burrough: “Or maybe the middle of October, give y’all time to meet again.”

Ms. Hendon stated: “Okay.”

Chairman Miller stated, “So, we’ll get together and set up a work session then.”

Ms. Hendon stated: “Thank you so much.”

Commissioner Burrough continued with his discussion as follows:

“Thank everybody for coming. I was sort of shocked to have this many people in here. You know, it makes us feel good that people are interested in coming and supporting us and we certainly would like to support everybody in Walker County. Thank you for coming.”

Commissioner Dunagan stated: “It’s good seeing a room full of people.

Thank you, Ms. Hendon, for what y’all do. Also, we had a representative here today. It was good to see him. Also, our employees are out working hard in District One trying to get the roads cut. That’s been a hard task this year. We are also out patching and doing some limb cutting. So, if you see my employees out or see us out, please use caution. I’m glad everybody has safe – or hope everybody has a safe Labor Day weekend.”

Commissioner Borden stated: “I just thank everyone for being here. Again, thank you Ms. Hendon. I did see earlier our representative. I think he’s still in the room. Or our future representative, come in November, I believe. And then, I just want to say thank you to all of our county employees. Janet, I think you’re doing a good job in your role that you’ve assumed. Again, our Glenn – I still work with Glenn closely. It’s an everyday grind. Our biggest thing always comes back to people want their roads repaired, people wanting their roads paved. And it always comes down to the dollars. I think that’s one of the reasons I’m encouraged to see our representatives come in. I think they need to attend our Commission Meetings ever so often. That gives us a face - to-face chance to discuss the county needs.

Again, just thank everyone for being here. And that’s all I have.”

Commissioner Aderholt stated: “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Again, like these other commissioners say, thank everybody for being here and we appreciate all the local participation in our local county government. That’s encouraging when we get to come

in here and see so many faces. Thanks to our engineer, Mr. Peek. I got to drive through my district last night to go pick up my daughter at her friend's house and we've got a lot of good stripes and we have good reflectors down through District Four. So, most of all our main corridors throughout all of District Four they're great and navigable, goodlooking roadways. So, we've got a lot of work left to do and we're working hard everyday to make sure your tax dollars are spent wisely and as often as possible.

Ms. Hendon, thank you for your presentation. It was very in-depth. And I can tell you, I've seen presentations before, this was no small presentation. There was a lot of work to bring us this and I really appreciate everybody that participated in this and brought this forward to the Commission. And again, I'm looking forward with the rest of the Commission to do whatever we can to address the subject again on election integrity. It's top of the line. I mean, we're a voting country, we're a free country and the integrity of our elections matter. And we shouldn't give that away to people that don't respect that integrity. Again, thank y'all for coming."

Chairman Miller stated, "I, too, would like to say thank you for coming today, Ms. Hendon. Thank you for your presentation, everybody involved. I've met with these folks a few times and always are very professional and very professional today. We thank you for that. It is our intent to uphold our allegiance to the United States of America and the Constitution and to always hold our Walker County constituents at the highest level that we can keep you at, because that is our job, that is what we swore an oath to do.

And with that said, I appreciate all the workers of the County. Without you, this County could not move forward. We appreciate the help of our Attorney. He works hard to get these resolutions and things ready, along with Ms. Amy. And we appreciate them. And appreciate what they do. And Mr. Peek works on a lot of things, different things, which we tug at him right and left and he's got a lot going on. These guys up here, they really work hard to keep this County headed in the right directions. And I appreciate y'all putting up with me today -- My pain level has gotten good, they took me off all the medicine for the surgery tomorrow -- So, I thank you for that. And just say a prayer for me tomorrow for this total knee replacement. And we'll just move forward and keep the County going. And with that, I'd entertain a motion to adjourn."

ADJOURN:

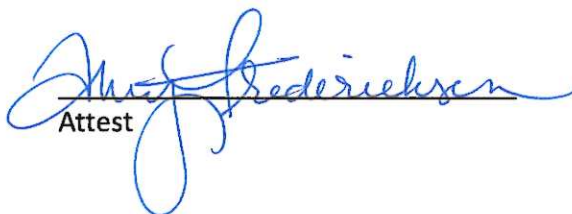
Motion was made by Commissioner Borden and seconded by Commissioner Aderholt that this meeting be adjourned to reconvene at the next regularly scheduled meeting or at the call of the Chairman.

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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