

AGENDA
COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION
November 9, 2021
9:30 Regular Commission Meeting

WELCOME

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Barbara Maxwell—CR 130 issues

ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENT:**CALL TO ORDER****COMMISSION ROLL CALL****INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****APPROVE AGENDA****READING OF MINUTES****AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS Resolution—Commissioner Kelley****CONSENT AGENDA- MOTION AND SECOND TO APPROVE**

- (A) Motion for Chairman, Vice Chairman and Administrator to authorize, to issue and sign checks for payment of monthly expenses and payroll.
- (B) Motion to approve changes in employees: job description, salary, work hours, status (including budget approved raises).

OPEN BIDS 11:00 a.m.**NEW BUSINESS**

- (1) Approval of Overtime/Compensatory Policy—Administrator Amy Gilliland
- (2) Approval to apply for ADECA Local Law Enforcement Equipment Grant—Captain Mike Mull
- (3) Action to Approve Coosa County applying for Ambulance grant and Approval to pay 25% matching funds—Commissioner Joiner, Ed Oliver, Ben Robbins
- (4) Approval to pay 25% match for Kellyton Fire and Rescue Company, Inc., rescue vehicle—Commissioner Joiner
- (5) Approval for Chairman Dunham to sign CDBG-CV CARES Act grant agreement—Administrator Amy Gilliland
- (6) Approval for Director Hutcherson to attend Alabama EMA training January 3—February 4, 2022 as an Instructor—EMA Director Hutcherson
- (7) Approval of NIMS Resolution—EMA Director Hutcherson
- (8) Approval to discontinue Police One service and add Virtual Academy—Sheriff Howell
- (9) Approval of proclamation to designating the week of Thanksgiving as "Farm-City Week"—Revenue Commissioner Debra Lamberth
- (10) Approval to deny Alabama Rebuild Program CR 40 Resurfacing Project—Commissioner Kelley
- (11) Approval to deny payment for Alabama Rebuild Program CR 40—Commissioner Kelley

- (12) Approval of Co-vid CDBG Non-Competitive Grant by ADECA—Commissioner Kelley
- (13) Approval to set a speed limit and a 15 Ton weight limit on CR 12—Commissioner Kelley

OLD BUSINESS

- (1) Approval to proceed with bid of roof for DHR/BOE if State DHR has agreed to specifications—Director White of DHR. (CRS claim has been filed due to storm damage.)

STAFF REPORTS

Administrator

- Open Enrollment Insurance will be Wednesday, November 10 in the Commission Courtroom
- Comp time compliance

Attorney-

EMA

Courthouse Maintenance-

Engineer-

Safety Coordinator-

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

ADJOURN

MINUTES**COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION****NOVEMBER 09, 2021****9:30 A.M.****ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENT****CALL TO ORDER**

THE COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION MET AT THE COOSA COUNTY COURTHOUSE NOVEMBER 09, 2021 FOR ITS REGULAR MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN RANDALL DUNHAM, PRESIDING.

COMMISSION ROLL CALL

COMMISSION ROLL CALL: HERE CHAIRMAN RANDALL DUNHAM, VICE-CHAIR-BERTHA MCELRATH, UNZELL KELLEY, RONNIE JOINER, AND LAMAR DAUGHERTY.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY COMMISSIONER RANDALL DUNHAM. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID BY ALL IN ATTENDANCE.

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO AMEND THE AGENDA: (1) TO ADD A RESOLUTION TO HONOR MR. MEREDITH J. (SUNNY) EBERHART AND (2) TO TAKE OFF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER FOUR, APPROVAL TO PAY 25% MATCH FOR KELLYTON FIRE AND RESCUE COMPANY, INC RESCUE VEHICLE. AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RANDALL DUNHAM. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

READING OF MINUTES

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO DISPENSE READING OF MINUTES. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

AWARDS AND PRESENTATION

RESOLUTION HONORING PROFESSOR JOHN RUBIN SAVAGE WHO ESTABLISHED THE COOSA COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL WAS READ BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY.

Resolution

Whereas, Professor John Rubin Savage was born on November 16, 1870 in Snow Hill, AL in Wilcox County; and

Whereas, Professor John Rubin Savage came to the Cottage Grove Community in Coosa County in 1899; and

Whereas, Professor John Rubin Savage John Savage United the surrounding communities of Cottage Grove, raised the money, purchased the land, and founded Coosa County Training School in 1899; and

Whereas, Professor John Rubin Savage died on October 27, 1910; and

Whereas, Professor John Rubin Savage was buried in a cemetery on the grounds of the campus of Coosa County Training School that was later named J.D. Thompson High School; and

Whereas, it is appropriate that we express our Gratitude by Honoring Professor John Rubin Savage as a Treasured Member of Coosa County for his lifetime of dedication and sacrifice to Education and the founding of Coosa County Training School in Cottage Grove, Alabama;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the powers of the Coosa County Commission, all members concurring; that we do hereby Honor Professor John Rubin Savage on the Occasion of the 122nd Anniversary of The Founding of Coosa County Training School in 1899.

Passed and Adopted this the 9th Day of November 2021.

Randall Dunham
Randall Dunham, Chairman (District 1)

Ronnie J. J. J.
Ronnie J. J. J. (District 4)

Bertha Kelly-McElrath
Bertha Kelly-McElrath (District 2)

Lamar Daugherty
Lamar Daugherty (District 5)

Unzell Kelley
Unzell Kelley (District 3)

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE FOR THE CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIR AND ADMINISTRATOR TO AUTHORIZE TO ISSUE AND SIGN CHECKS FOR PAYMENT OF MONTHLY EXPENSES AND PAYROLL. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL OF THE OVERTIME/COMPENSATORY POLICY. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMAR DAUGHERTY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Overtime Pay and/or Compensatory Leave: Amended 11/9/2021

No overtime pay of compensatory leave is authorized without the express permission of the County Engineer for highway department employees, the Sheriff for the deputies, jailers and other Department personnel, and the County Commission for other county employees and an Overtime/Compensatory form must be attached to the employee's time sheet/claim for pay. Sheriff's Deputies shall take compensatory leave as required by law. Compensatory leave can only be earned after working a regular weekly shift of 40 hours—a work week does not include any sick leave or vacation time off or weeks with a holiday. According to Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), compensatory hours shall not exceed 240 hours for regular employees and 480 hours for law enforcement employees and comp time must be taken over the next 26 pay periods. If comp time is not used during that time, the employee may be paid their comp time balance as overtime pay at the end of the calendar year.

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER THE APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR ADECA LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT GRANT. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE COOSA COUNTY APPLYING FOR AMBULANCE GRANT AND APPROVAL TO PAY 25% MATCHING FUNDS NO SECOND MOTION, MOTION FAILED.

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY FOR CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CDBG-CV CARES ACT GRANT AGREEMENT. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL FOR DIRECTOR SHELDON HUTCHERSON TO ATTEND ALABAMA EMA TRAINING JANUARY 3rd 2022-FEBRUARY 4th 2022 AS AN INSTRUCTOR. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RANDALL DUNHAM. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL OF NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN COOSA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD-5), Directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, Local and Tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity;

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all Federal, State, Local and Tribal homeland security partners have been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, Local and Tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management, it is critical that Federal, State, Local and Tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters;

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve Coosa Counties ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes.

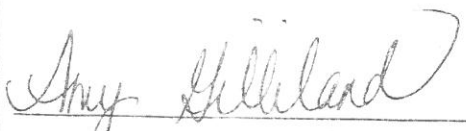
WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the (Jurisdiction), including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System;

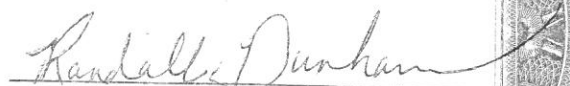
NOW, THEREFORE, I Coosa County Commission, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Alabama and do hereby establish the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as Coosa Counties standard for incident management.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 9 day of November, 2021.

Attest:



Amy Gilliland, County Administrator



Randall Dunham, Commission Chair

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER THE APPROVAL TO DISCONTINUE POLICE ONE SERVICE AND ADD VIRTUAL ACADEMY. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMAR DAUGHERTY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER THE APPROVAL FOR A PROCLAMATION OF DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING AS "FARM-CITY WEEK". SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

PROCLAMATION FOR COOSA COUNTY

ALABAMA FARM-CITY WEEK

November 19-25, 2021

For over 60 years during Thanksgiving week, the American people have observed Farm-City Week to express gratitude for the bounty with which God has blessed our land and to recognize the achievements of the farmers, rural townspeople, and city residents who make our Nation's agricultural production and distribution system so successful. Truly this cooperation between rural and city dwellers for mutual benefit helps ensure our country's well-being.

America's farmers have provided food and fiber to sustain our people throughout decade after decade of progress. Farmers' productivity has increased steadily, thanks largely to their initiative in supporting and adopting the methods and materials developed by scientific research. Yield per acre has grown tremendously, with the result that American farmers are able not only to meet the Nation's basic needs for food stuffs, but also to produce agricultural goods for export and for a wide variety of specialty markets here in the United States and around the world.

American agriculture, and the many service industries that depend upon it in cities and towns and along all the routes in between, is a story of extraordinary labor creating extraordinary abundance. At this time of year, it is only fitting that all Americans offer some special sign of thanks to those who grow, harvest, and bring to our Nation's tables the fruits of sun, seed, and soil.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the Honorable Randall Dunham, Chairman of the Coosa County Commission, by virtue of the authority vested in me do hereby, proclaim the week of November 19 through November 25, 2021, as ALABAMA FARM-CITY WEEK. I call upon all citizens of Coosa County to join in recognizing the accomplishments of our productive farmers and of our urban residents, who cooperate to create abundance, wealth, and strength for our County, State, and Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-one.

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL TO DENY ALABAMA REBUILD PROGRAM CR 40 RESURFACING PROJECT. ALSO, BEFORE THE ENGINEER APPROVES THE PROJECT, HE NEEDS TO BRING IT BEFORE THE COMMISSION. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL TO SET A SPEED LIMIT AND A 15 TON WEIGHT LIMIT ON CR 12. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMAR DAUGHERTH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO AMEND THE MOTION TO ADD A 40 MILE SPEED LIMIT WITH THE 15 TON WEIGHT LIMIT ON CR 12. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAMAR DAUGHERTY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO ADD AGENDA ITEM AND CORRECT THE MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2021, TO REFLECT 'MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO APPROVE TO APPLY FOR THE EMS GRANT, SECONDED BY RANDALL DUNHAM'. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY THE APPROVAL TO CORRECT THE MINUTES TO REFLECT THE APPROVAL OF EMS GRANT FOR THE AMBULANCE AND RESCUE TRUCK AND ALSO TO PAY THE 25% MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE AMBULANCE. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCELRATH. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO TABLE TO PROCEED WITH BID OF ROOF FOR DHR/BOE IF STATE DHR HAS AGREED TO SPECIFICATIONS. (CRS CLAIM HAS BEEN FILLED DUE TO STORM DAMAGE). SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RANDALL DUNHAM. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER UNZELL KELLEY TO ADD A RESOLUTION HONORING MR. MEREDITH J. (SUNNY) EBERHART.

**RESOLUTION HONORING MEREDITH J. (SUNNY) EBERHART
(AKA Nimblewill Nomad)**

WHEREAS, the Coosa County Commission, governing body of Coosa County, recognizes and honors Coosa County resident, MJ (Sunny) Eberhart, on the completion of the "Bama to Baxter Odyssey 2021".

MJ (Sunny) Eberhart on November 21, 2021 will become the oldest person to have finished a through hike of the entire Appalachian Mountain Range;

MJ (Sunny) Eberhart will complete the final .9 mile of the Pinhoti National Recreational Trail from the Southern Terminus at Flagg Mountain up to the historic Flagg Mountain Tower at the age of 83 years old;

MJ (Sunny) Eberhart hiked an additional 72 miles on the Benton MacKaye Trail which connect the Pinhoti and the Appalachian Trail;

MJ (Sunny) Eberhart from February 5, 2021 to November 21, 2021 will have hiked a total of 2617 miles;

MJ (Sunny) Eberhart has become an Ambassador for the State of Alabama and Coosa County throughout the hiking communities thus bringing worldwide recognition to Alabama and Coosa County.

WHEREAS, let it be known, the Coosa County Commission would like to recognize Meredith J (Sunny) Eberhart (aka Nimblewill Nomad) and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Coosa County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed on this the 9th day of November 2021.

Randall Dunham
Randall Dunham

Bertha K McElrath
Bertha K McElrath

Unzell Kelley
Unzell Kelley


Ronnie Joiner
Ronnie Joiner


Lamar Daughtery
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MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RANDALL DUNHAM. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2021.


CHAIRMAN RANDALL DUNHAM


UNZELL KELLEY


VICE-CHAIR BERTHA K. MCELRATH


RONNIE JOINER


LAMAR DAUGHERTY