

**AGENDA**  
**COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**April 8, 2025**  
**9:00 a.m. Commission Meeting**  
**911 Building**

**WELCOME**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENT**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**COMMISSION ROLL CALL**

**INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVE AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND WAIVER OF READING MINUTES**

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**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).

**NEW BUSINESS**

- (1) Approval for the Chairman to sign the Proclamation of Sexual Assault Awareness recognizing April as Sexual Assault Awareness month—Forensic Services Director at Safe House, Debra Higgins
- (2) Approval to re-appoint Billy Reed as a 6-year board member to the Hollins Water Authority beginning April 2025 through April 2031—Chairman Lamar Daugherty
- (3) Approve GovDeals Addendum—Chairman Lamar Daugherty
- (4) Discuss services offered by the Horseshoe Bend Regional Library to Coosa County—Samantha Godsy, Director Horseshoe Bend Regional Library
- (5) Approval for the Commission to enter into a user agreement with Biometrics—Sheriff Michael Howell
- (6) Approve the Construction Agreement for the McClellan Industrial Drive Extension project—Engineer Tad Eason
- (7) Approval to purchase 2-2026 International Single Axle Cab and Chassis with 10' Warren Dump Beds—Engineer Tad Eason
- (8) Approval to name the new bridge crossing Ray Creek on Coosa County Road 75 in Honor of longtime resident and World War II Veteran Thomas Cleveland. Name of bridge to be: Thomas Cleveland Memorial Bridge. Presentation of Resolution to follow—Chairman Lamar Daugherty

**OLD BUSINESS**

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Administrator**

**Attorney**

**EMA**

**EMS**

**Courthouse Maintenance**

**Engineer**

**IT**

**Safety Coordinator**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS**

**ADJOURN**

**MINUTES  
COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION  
APRIL 8, 2025  
9:00 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

THE COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION MET AT THE E911 BUILDING APRIL 8, 2025, WITH CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY PRESIDING.

**COMMISSION ROLL CALL**

COMMISSION ROLL CALL: HERE –CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY, VICE-CHAIR BRANDON DAVIS, COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS, COMMISSIONER BERTHA K. MCEL RATH, AND COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID BY ALL IN ATTENDANCE.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS TO APPROVE AGENDA. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND WAIVER OF READING MINUTES**

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR BRANDON DAVIS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND WAIVER OF READING MINUTES. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, FOR CHAIRMAN LAMAR DAUGHERTY AND ADMINISTRATOR AMY GILLILAND TO AUTHORIZE, TO ISSUE AND SIGN CHECKS FOR PAYMENT OF MONTHLY EXPENSES AND PAYROLL. AND TO APPROVE CHANGES IN EMPLOYEES: JOB DESCRIPTION, SALARY, WORK HOURS, STATUS (INCLUDING BUDGET APPROVED RAISES). SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**NEW BUSINESS**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA MCELRATH TO APPROVE FOR CHAIR TO SIGN THE PROCLAMATION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND TO RECOGNIZING APRIL AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS.

**Proclamation of Sexual Assault Awareness****2025**

**Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)** calls attention that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in our community. SAAM aims to raise public awareness about sexual violence and to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent it;

**Whereas**, rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment harm our community, and statistics show one in six women and one in 33 men will be raped at some point in their lives. (Rainn.org)

**Whereas**, child sexual abuse prevention must be a priority to confront the reality that one in ten children will experience sexual assault before age 18. (National Children's Alliance)

**Whereas**, on Campus, one in five women and one in 16 men are sexually assaulted during their time in college (Krebs, Lindquist, Warner, Fisher, & Martin, 2007)

**Whereas**, the theme of this year's Sexual Assault Awareness Month Campaign is "Together We Act, United We Change". The campaign emphasizes the importance of collective action in addressing and preventing sexual abuse, assault and harassment.

**Whereas**, ending sexual abuse, assault, and harassment requires more than individual action, together, we have the power to build a future free from violence, where all individuals feel safe, valued, and respected.

**Whereas**, we join advocates and communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence. April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I *Laura Dwyer*, do hereby proclaim April 2025, as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and ask all residents to join in raising the visibility of this crime whose victims are all too often invisible.



MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA MCELRATH TO RE-APPOINT BILLY REED AS A 6 YEAR BOARD MEMBER TO THE HOLLINS WATER AUTHORITY BEGINNING APRIL 2025 THROUGH APRIL 2031. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED



## *Coosa County Commission*

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AMY GILLILAND  
ADMINISTRATOR

BERTHA MCELRATH  
DISTRICT 2

RONNIE JOINER  
DISTRICT 4

JOHN FORBUS  
DISTRICT 1

BRANDON DAVIS  
DISTRICT 3

LAMAR DAUGHERT  
DISTRICT 5

April 8, 2025

Hollins Water Authority:

The Coosa County Commission voted unanimously at its regular meeting on April 8, 2025, to re-appoint Mr. Billy Reed to serve as a board member of the Hollins Water Authority. His term will begin April 2025 and expire April 2031.

Sincerely,

Amy Gilliland, Administrator for Coosa County

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MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER BERTHA MCEL RATH TO APPROVE THE GOVDEALS ADDENDUM.  
 SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

# GovDeals®

## Financial Settlement Services (FSS) Addendum

This Addendum is between Liquidity Service Operations LLC dba GovDeals, having its principal place of business at 6931 Arlington Road - Suite 460 - Bethesda, Maryland 20814, and Coosa County Commission  
 (Seller) having its principal place of business at  
9709 HWY 231, Rockford, AL 35136, P.O. Box 10, Rockford, AL 35136.

It is understood the Seller elects GovDeals to collect all proceeds due the Seller from the winning buyer and remit the proceeds to the Seller less the GovDeals fee.

GovDeals will charge the winning buyer a "Buyer's Premium", therefore, the Seller is not allowed to charge the winning buyer an additional "Buyer's Premium".

GovDeals will collect all proceeds from the winning buyer, including the "Buyer's Premium" through PayPal, credit card or wire transfer. This is the only means of payment by the buyer.

The Seller will not release an asset to the winning buyer until the Seller has received verification from GovDeals that payment has been received from the winning buyer. Prior to an item being released to the winning buyer, the Seller will ensure the winning buyer or his/her agent has signed a "Bill of Sale" containing the following notation: "Asset is sold as is, where is and without warranty. Once the asset is removed from the seller's premises there is no refund of monies previously paid". The Bill of Sale must be printed from the Seller Asset Management (SAM). Any other "Bill of Sale" used by the Seller must be submitted to GovDeals for approval.

No proceeds will be remitted to the Seller for any asset sold without verification of payment from GovDeals and verification from the Seller the item has been picked up by the winning buyer. Approved payment from the winning buyer through PayPal, credit card, or wire transfer will be noted in SAM. It is the Seller's responsibility to notify GovDeals when an item has been picked up, which is accomplished by the Seller accessing SAM and selecting the "Picked Up" option from the "Paid, not picked up" report.

GovDeals will remit all proceeds collected, less the "Buyer's Premium" and the GovDeals fee (if applicable) to the Seller on a weekly basis for all assets marked in SAM as 'Picked Up'. All proceeds will be remitted electronically by Automatic Clearing House (ACH) or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). A detailed statement will be emailed to the Seller supporting the amount remitted.

Under no circumstance will the Seller collect any proceeds directly from the winning buyer and if requested to do so, the Seller should refer the winning buyer directly to GovDeals for payment instructions.

GovDeals will absorb all costs of chargebacks by PayPal or a credit card company where an item is removed by the winning buyer after the Seller receives proper payment notification from GovDeals, GovDeals receives proper pick-up notification from the Seller and the Seller obtained and retained a signed "Bill of Sale" from the winning buyer.

GovDeals will refund proceeds collected to the winning buyer in those rare occasions where the winning buyer pays for an asset but never picks it up. It is the Seller's responsibility to request a credit on the asset paid for but not picked up as soon as the allowable pick up time passes. By taking the credit, it insures GovDeals will not charge the Seller a fee and will allow the Seller to resell the asset. If the asset is mistakenly placed in 'picked up' status by the Seller and GovDeals has remitted payment, the Seller agrees to refund this amount back to GovDeals.

A GovDeals' Account Manager or a GovDeals Help Desk Representative will train the Seller on how to effectively use the Financial Settlement Services feature and provide ongoing support as needed. There are no additional costs to the Seller for training and support.

GovDeals is covered by a Crime Insurance Policy with a limit of \$5,000,000, which will protect the Seller against any loss of funds.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by those officers, officials and persons duly authorized to execute same, and the Agreement is deemed to be dated and to be effective on the date hereinafter stated as the date of its approval by the Governor of Alabama.

Coosa County, Alabama

ATTEST:

By: Lamar Daugherty  
As Chairman (Signature)

LAMAR DAUGHERTY  
Print Name of Chairman

By: Amy Gilliland  
Clerk (Signature)

Amy Gilliland  
Print Name of Clerk  
(AFFIX SEAL)

This contract has been legally reviewed and approved as to form.



By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Counsel for  
Alabama Department of Transportation

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
DeJarvis Leonard, P.E.  
East Central Region Engineer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bradley B. Lindsey, P.E.  
State Local Transportation Engineer

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Edward N. Austin, P. E.  
Chief Engineer

STATE OF ALABAMA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH  
THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
John R. Cooper, Transportation Director

THE WITHIN AND FOREGOING AGREEMENT IS HEREBY EXECUTED AND  
SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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KAY IVEY  
GOVERNOR, STATE OF ALABAMA

DISCUSS SERVICES OFFERED BY THE HORSESHOE BEND REGIONAL LIBRARY TO COOSA COUNTY.

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO TABLE THE COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO A USER AGREEMENT WITH BIOMETRICS. SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR BRANDON DAVIS.  
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS TO APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR THE MCCLELLAN INDUSTRIAL DRIVE EXTENSION PROJECT. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION NUMBER 250408

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Coosa County Commission as follows:

That the County enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation relating to a project for:

**Grade, drain, base, and pave for the extension of McClellan Industrial Dr. to benefit Alabama Graphite Products; Project# IAR-019-000-004; CPMS Ref# 100078596.**

Which agreement is before this Commission, and that the agreement be executed in the name of the County, by the Chairman for and on its behalf and that it be attested by the County Clerk and the official seal of the County be affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the County.

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the of Coosa County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the County named therein, at a regular meeting of such Commission held on the 8th day of April, 20 25, and that such resolution is on file in the County Clerk's Office.

ATTESTED:

Amy Gilliland  
County Clerk

Sam Daugherty  
Chairman

8 day of APRIL, 20 25, and that such resolution is of record in the Minute Book of the County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the County on this 8th day of April, 20 25.

Amy Gilliland  
County Clerk



MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWO 2026 INTERNATIONAL SINGLE AXLE CAB AND CHASSIS WITH 10' WARREN DUMP BEDS. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

State of Alabama  
Master Agreement Number: 230000004247  
Southland Transportation Group  
 Proposal #5140-01

<b>Code #9</b>	<b>Base Unit</b>	<b>\$92,688.86</b>
<b>Code #12</b>	<b>Tractor Package Air &amp; Electric Lines</b>	<b>\$736.91</b>
<b>Code #16</b>	<b>Additional Options</b> Upgrade Front Suspension Upgrade Rear Axle w/Locking Differential Upgrade Steering Upgrade Paint Upgrade Electrical Options Upgrade Safety Features Upgrade Wheels w/.472" Thick Increased Cap.	<b>\$7,744.05</b>
<b>Code #9</b> <b>Code #12</b> <b>Code #16</b>	<b>Combined Lines for Grand Total</b>	<b>\$101,169.82</b>

INTERNATIONAL

**Financial Summary**  
2026 HV607 SBA (HV607)

October 01, 2024

(US DOLLAR)

DescriptionPrice

Net Sales Price:

\$101,169.82

Approved by Seller:

Accepted by Purchaser:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Official Title and DateCoosa County Commission  
Firm or Business Name\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized SignatureJames Daylight 4-8-25  
Authorized Signature and Date

This proposal is not binding upon the seller without  
Seller's Authorized Signature

Chairman, April 8 2025  
Official Title and Date

The TOPS FET calculation is an estimate for reference purposes only. The seller or retailer is responsible for calculating and reporting/paying appropriate FET to the IRS.

The limited warranties applicable to the vehicles described herein are Navistar, Inc.'s standard printed warranties which are incorporated herein by reference and to which you have been provided a copy and hereby agree to their terms and conditions.

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MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS THE APPROVAL TO NAME THE NEW BRIDGE CROSSING RAY CREEK ON COOSA COUNTY ROAD 75 IN HONOR OF LONGTIME RESIDENT AND WORLD WAR 11 VETERAN THOMAS CLEVELAND. NAME OF BRIDGE TO BE: THOMAS CLEVELAND MEMORIAL BRIDGE. SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR BRANDON DAVIS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

## *Resolution Naming Thomas Cleveland Memorial Bridge*

**WHEREAS**, the Coosa County Commission, governing body of Coosa County, recognizes and honors the late Thomas Cleveland, lifelong resident of Coosa County, by naming the bridge that crosses Ray Creek on Coosa County Road 75, **Thomas Cleveland Memorial Bridge**; and

**WHEREAS**, Thomas Cleveland was drafted into the military to serve in World War II in April 1943 and was trained in demolition. He received his first injury while training with TNT after a detonation cap exploded in his hand; and

**WHEREAS**, Thomas Cleveland received his first Purple Heart after being shot in the shoulder in Normandy, France. The bullet was never removed from his shoulder. The metal covered Bible that he carried, still has blood stains on it from the gunshot wound; and


**WHEREAS**, Thomas Cleveland received his second Purple Heart after being injured during the Battle of the Bulge; and

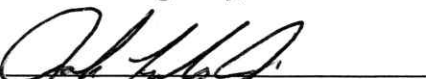
**WHEREAS**, Thomas Cleveland served in World War II for three years. He received a battle-field promotion from private first class to sergeant after being reunited with his unit after being separated when Germans were encountered; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate that we express our gratitude by honoring Mr. Thomas Cleveland as a treasured member of Coosa County and for his service to our country and a lifetime of sacrifice, dedication, and accomplishments; and

**Now**, therefore, be it resolved by the powers of the Coosa County Commission, all members concurring; that we do hereby name Thomas Cleveland Memorial Bridge in honor of Mr. Thomas Cleveland.


**Passed and Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.**

  
Lamar Daugherty, Chairman

  
John Forbus, Commissioner

  
Ronnie Joiner, Commissioner

  
Brandon Davis, Vice-Chairman

  
Bertha McElrath, Commissioner



### *Resolution*

*Whereas, Linda Burton was born to her late parents David and Ruth Mitchell Marbury in Coosa County; and*

*Whereas, Linda Burton accepted Christ at an early age at the New Home Missionary Baptist Church in Hissop, AL; and*

*Whereas, Linda Burton is married to Rev. Kendell Burton and they have two (2) sons, Rodregas and Lydell; and*

*Whereas, Linda Burton is a member of New Home Missionary Baptist Church, Hissop, AL. She has contributed to the community and is under watchcare at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church where her husband serves as pastor; and*

*Whereas, recognizing that a Coosa Countian has been elevated to President of the Alabama State Missionary Baptist Women's Auxiliary; and*

*Whereas, it is appropriate that we express our gratitude by honoring her as a treasured member of Coosa County for her lifetime of dedication, sacrifice, and accomplishments.*

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the powers of the Coosa County Commission, all members concurring; that we do hereby honor Linda Burton on the occasion of her Tenure as President.*

*Passed and Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2025.*

*Lamar Daughtery*  
Lamar Daughtery, Chairman (District 5)

*John Forbus*  
John Forbus (District 4)

*Bertha Kelly*  
Bertha Kelly (District 2)

*Brandon Davis*  
Brandon Davis, Vice-Chairman (District 3)

*Ronnie Joiner*  
Ronnie Joiner (District 4)



**OLD BUSINESS****ADJOURN**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2025.

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CHAIRMAN LAMAR DAUGHERTY

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COMMISSIONER BERTHA MCELRATH

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VICE-CHAIRMAN BRANDON DAVIS

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COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS

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COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER

APRIL 9, 2025