

**AGENDA**  
**COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**September 12, 2023**  
**9:00 a.m. Commission Meeting**  
**Commission Courtroom**

**WELCOME**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Devlynne and Kelvin Barnes—CR 19

**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**

**OPEN BIDS FOR INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICE AT 10:00**

- (1) Approval to participate in the 2 year Secretary of State GIS Software Program—Judge Dean and Pinky Reichert
- (2) Approval for Pacer and AlaCourt Registration to comply with new Notary Act requirements—Judge Dean
- (3) Approval of Resolution to formally reject bids for digitization of records—Administrator Amy Gilliland
- (4) Discuss the Armory building in Goodwater—Goodwater Mayor Lonnie Caldwell
- (5) Discuss National Forest Boundary in Coosa County—Cindy Ragland, Executive Director, Alabama Trails Foundation
- (6) Discuss ARC grant opportunity—Heather Graham, Regional Planner, East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission
- (7) Approval to send Annual Bid Forms for Steel pipe, Limestone, Granite, Liquid Asphalt, & Gasoline/Diesel Fuel—Engineer Tad Eason
- (8) Approval to send Bids for service truck for the highway department—Engineer Tad Eason
- (9) Approve bid for CDBG project—Engineer Tad Eason
- (10) Approval to purchase 2 dump trucks—Engineer Tad Eason
- (11) Approval to purchase 1 lowboy truck—Engineer Tad Eason
- (12) Approval to purchase 2 motor graders—Engineer Tad Eason
- (13) Approval to purchase a pot hole patcher—Engineer Tad Eason
- (14) Approval to purchase an asphalt zipper—Engineer Tad Eason

- (15) Approve Resolution for 100% participation in Local Government Health Wellness Screening—Administrator Amy Gilliland

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- (1) Approve FY24 budget, appropriations, and contracts—Administrator Amy Gilliland

### **STAFF REPORTS**

**Administrator---** *Wellness Screening participation*

**Attorney**

**EMA**

**EMS**

**Courthouse Maintenance**

**Engineer**

**Safety Coordinator**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS**

**ADJOURN**

**MINUTES****COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION****SEPTEMBER 12, 2023****9:00 A.M.****CALL TO ORDER**

THE COOSA COUNTY COMMISSION MET AT THE COOSA COUNTY COURTHOUSE SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 WITH CHAIRMAN BERTHA K. MCEL RATH PRESIDING.

**COMMISSION ROLL CALL**

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

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY COMMISSIONER BRANDON DAVIS. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID BY ALL IN ATTENDANCE.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO AMEND AGENDA BY OMITTING LINE ITEM NUMBER 6: DISCUSS ARC GRANT OPPORTUNITY. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE AGENDA. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

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

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND WAIVER OF READING MINUTES. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE FOR THE CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIR AND ADMINISTRATOR TO AUTHORIZE, TO ISSUE AND SIGN CHECKS FOR PAYMENT OF MONTHLY EXPENSES AND PAYROLL.

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGES IN EMPLOYEES: JOB DESCRIPTION, SALARY, WORK HOURS, STATUS (INCLUDING BUDGET APPROVED RAISES). SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**NEW BUSINESS****OPEN BIDS FOR INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICE AT 10:00**

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS TO APPROVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2 YEAR SECRETARY OF STATE GIS SOFTWARE PROGRAM. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE FOR PACER AND ALACOURT REGISTRATION TO COMPLY WITH NEW NOTARY ACT REQUIREMENTS. SECONDED BY JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO FORMALLY REJECT BIDS FOR DIGITIZATION OF RECORDS. SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

## RESOLUTION TO REJECT BIDS

**WHEREAS**, Coosa County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of final rule published by the United States Department of Treasury dated January 6, 2022, the County has duly elected to designate a standard allowance of up to \$10,000,000 of its ARPA funds, not to exceed the County's total ARPA funds award, as revenue replacement ("ARPA revenue replacement funds"); and

**WHEREAS**, ARPA revenue replacement funds can be used to support government services, including investments in county document management and storage;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with state law and federal guidance as it relates to the expenditure of ARPA revenue replacement funds, the County issued an invitation to bid for document management services and software ("ITB"); and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the ITB, four potential vendors submitted a bid package, which were opened in a public meeting on July 21, 2023; and


**WHEREAS**, in a due diligence review of the bid process and the bid packages, the County has made the determination that the submissions received were either noncompliant with the terms and conditions as set forth in the ITB or far exceeded the budget for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coosa County Commission (the "Commission") has determined that it is in the best interest of the County and its citizens to reject all bids in light of concerns raised during the due diligence review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION** as follows:

1. The Commission hereby rejects all bids received in response to the ITB and directs the County Administrator to provide notice of same to the corresponding bidders.
2. The Commission further hereby directs the County Administrator to review the scope of the agreement with the Probate Judge and his staff to determine whether the scope can be refined and a bid can be reissued by the County.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Coosa County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chair on the 12th day of September 2023.

  
Chair, Coosa County Commission

DISCUSS THE ARMORY BUILDING IN GOODWATER. NO DISCUSSION

DISCUSS NATIONAL FOREST BONDARY IN COOSA COUNTY, BY CINDY RAGLAND, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ALABAMA TRAILS FOUNDATION.

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS TO APPROVE SENDING ANNUAL BID FORMS FOR STEEL PIPE, LIMESTONE, GRANITE, LIQUID ASPHALT, & GASOLINE/DIESEL FUEL. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BRANDON DAVIS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE SENDING BIDS FOR SERVICE TRUCK FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BRANDON DAVIS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER BRANDON DAVIS TO APPROVE BID FOR CDBG PAVING PROJECT. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE PURCHASING 2 DUMP TRUCKS.  
 SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS TO APPROVE PURCHASING 1 LOWBOY TRUCK.  
 SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE PURCHASING 2 MOTOR  
 GRADERS. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE PURCHASING A POT HOLE  
 PATCHER. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BRANDON DAVIS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTIONED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE JOINER TO APPROVE PURCHASING AN ASPHALT  
 ZIPPER. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Equipment	Cost	Salvage Value	Difference	Fiscal Year		
				2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/2026
Service Truck	\$60,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$57,500.00	\$57,500.00		
Mack Dump with bodies (2)	\$425,172.00	\$370,000.00	\$55,172.00		\$55,172.00	
Track Tractor	\$178,078.00	\$165,000.00	\$13,078.00		\$13,078.00	
Cat 150 (2)	\$759,996.00	\$250,000.00	\$509,996.00		\$127,499.00	\$127,499.00
Pothole Patcher	\$87,777.00	\$15,000.00	\$72,777.00	\$72,777.00		
Asphalt Zipper	\$305,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$275,000.00		\$68,750.00	\$68,750.00
Backhoe (Purchased/Owe)	\$57,000.00		\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,873,023.00</b>	<b>\$832,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,040,523.00</b>	<b>\$187,277.00</b>	<b>\$264,499.00</b>	<b>\$196,249.00</b>

2026/2027	2027/2028
\$127,499.00	\$127,499.00
\$68,750.00	\$68,750.00
\$196,249.00	\$196,249.00

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR 100% PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH WELLNESS SCREENING. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

## Coosa County Commission

### Resolution 2023—0912

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Health Insurance Board provides health Insurance for Coosa County Commission employees, / officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGHIB has implemented a Works Wellness Program to provide employees/officials and their dependents with health risk assessments to identify potential health issues and to promote healthy habits, and

**WHEREAS**, the LGHIB is committed to providing employees/officials with information on maintaining food health through their Worksite Wellness Program. Most chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart diseases are preventable with simple diet and lifestyle changes. The Wellness Program's goal is to determine and assess employees/officials for risk factors that threaten their health and provide a plan to improve their health and the health of their family; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGHIB will provide discounts in monthly health insurance premiums to agencies who meet the minimum number of Wellness Program participants; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure the minimum compliance, the Coosa County Commission, in their meeting of September 12, 2023, has requested that all County employees/officials who participate in LGHIB complete a Wellness Screening within the yearly qualifying period.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Coosa County Commission that those employees/officials who fail to participate in the Worksite Wellness Program or fail to return a completed Provider Screening form by October 31 of each year, will be assessed \$50.00 per pay period toward the cost of health insurance premiums, until such time the completed wellness screening form is provided.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023**

**COOSA COUNTY COMMISSISON**

BY: Bertha K. McElrath

**Bertha K. McElrath, CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:**

Amy Gilliland

**Amy Gilliland, Administrator**



**OLD BUSINESS**

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO TABLE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 TO APPROVE FY24 BUDGETS, APPROPRIATIONS, AND CONTRACTS. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**MOTION TO RECESS**

MOTIONED BY VICE-CHAIR LAMAR DAUGHERTY TO RECESS UNTIL SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 AT 4:30 PM. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN FORBUS. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

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CHAIRMAN BERTHA MCELRATH

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BRANDON DAVIS

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