

Jackson County Commission

Meeting

July 12, 2021

The Jackson County Commission met July 12, 2021 in the Commission board room. Those in attendance were Chairman Bill Nance, Danny Rich, Jason Venable and Kevin McBride. County Attorney John Porter was also present and County Administrator Bob Manning recorded the minutes of the meeting. A J Buckner was absent.

Chairman Nance noted that a quorum was present. John Porter gave the invocation and Commissioner Rich led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve the agenda of the meeting and work session for July 12, 2021 with the following revisions was made by Commissioner Rich and seconded by Commissioner Venable. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Move (d) Form Committee on the Meeting to 7. on the Work Session, remove 1. Liberty Learning Presentation under Commission on the Work Session and add 6. A/C failure at COA to work session.

There were no awards or presentations.

Public comment – Mr. Fred Couch, Jr. gave presentation on Alabama Scenic River Trail.

Motion to approve the minutes from June 28, 2021 meeting and June 30, 2021 continuation of meeting was made by Commissioner Venable and seconded by Commissioner Rich. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Motion to approve bridge inspection contract renewal with Porter-Higginbotham Engineering, Inc. was made by Commissioner Rich and seconded by Commissioner Venable. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Motion to approve Singing River Trail partnership with a \$20,000 donation was made by Commissioner Venable and seconded by Commissioner Rich. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Motion to accept hiring committee's recommendation of Colby Gann for the vacant maintenance director position was made by Commissioner Rich and seconded by Commissioner Venable. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Motion to accept hiring committee's recommendation of Chris Talley for the vacant full-time bus driver position at Jackson County Rural Public Transportation with Council on Aging was

made by Commissioner Venable and seconded by Commissioner Rich. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Motion to accept hiring committee's recommendation of Candy Maynor for the vacant chief mapper position in Mapping and Appraisal office for Revenue Commission was made by Commissioner Venable and seconded by Commissioner Rich. All members voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Work Session

Revenue Commission:

Jeff Arnold, Revenue Commissioner, discussed doing a contract with Patrick Gamble, former chief mapper, to train the new chief mapper. Mr. Porter is to draw up a contract that will run 3 months and then be revisited if needed. This will be placed on next meeting agenda.

Commission:

Liberty Learning presentation – Removed from session.

Tennessee River Line presentation – Place on next meeting agenda.

Project/Activities Coordinator – Discussion on this and agreed to get a detailed job description together. This will be brought to a later work session.

Board Announcements/Appointment process – Continue discussion on this topic and bring to a later work session.

Mowing/Landscaping proposal – More discussion needed on this item.

COA air condition failure – We have a 30 year old unit that has been patched temporarily, but needs replacement quickly. Commission to get some quotes to replace unit from local vendors and add to next meeting agenda.

Committee for use of County buildings – Form committee to study all County buildings and determine how they can be used more efficiently. Get together a statement of activities for this committee to bring recommendations to the Commission for discussion. Place the approval of forming this committee on next meeting agenda.

With no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Rich and seconded by Commissioner McBride, with all members voting affirmatively, to adjourn until the next meeting on July 26, 2021 in the Commission board room.