

HENRY COUNTY COMMISSION  
DECEMBER 21 16, 2023  
11:00 A.M.

The Henry County Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. The following members were in attendance: Chairman David Money and Commissioners Benton Beasley, John Ralph Saunders, Jason Hudspeth, Henry Grimsley and Gregory Reynolds.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation was given by Jason Hudspeth.

Chairman Money stated that all commissioners are present, we do have a quorum.

Public Comment from Citizens.

None.

Comment from other Elected Officials and Department Heads.

Chairman Money recognized Chad Sowell and Sheriff.

Awards and Presentations.

None.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Money requested a motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2023, regular commission meeting. Henry Grimsley moved to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2023, regular commission meeting seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Scheduled Public Hearing

None.

New Business

Chairman Money requested action to amend EMA Director Matt Hatcher's employment contract. Henry Grimsley moved to amend EMA Director Matt Hatcher's employment contract seconded by Benton Beasley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to publish the annual financial report in *The Abbeville Herald*. John Ralph Saunders moved to publish the annual financial report in *The Abbeville Herald* seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on Resolution concerning Henry County Retiree Insurance Benefit. Henry Grimsley moved to approve Resolution concerning Henry County Retiree Insurance Benefit seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on new Driveway Installation Policy. Benton Beasley moved to approve new Driveway Installation Policy seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

### Old Business

None.

### Reports from Staff

Chairman Money – See attached report.

Dawn Shirley, Interim County Administrator – none.

Chris Champion, Engineer – Waiting for the balance in the Rebuild Alabama Fund to build to complete last project. Generator enclosure in place at the courthouse. Poured concrete pad for generator at the road department. We are still waiting on the transfer switch to come in.

Spence Danzey, County Attorney – Merry Christmas!

Rhonda Harrison, Economic Development Director – See attached report.

Chad Granberry – Sanitation is 3 trucks strong! We had issues over Thanksgiving. Thank you for helping us get the word out. Pickup for Monday and Tuesday trash will be on Tuesday due to Christmas holiday.

Safety – Commend the departments. We've had deer strikes from the Sheriff Department and one from the Road Department. Safety meeting scheduled for January.

Matt Hatcher – See attached report.

Sheriff Blakenship – See attached report.

### Discussion items by Commissioners

Benton Beasley – Merry Christmas! It's a pleasure to serve with everybody working together.

John Ralph Saunders – Thank you Chad, Chris, Matt and Dawn for taking on new roles, y'all are doing a good job and we appreciate it. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Jason Hudspeth – Echo what John Ralph said. I've heard nothing but compliments. Thank y'all.

Henry Grimsley – Standing ovation for what you all do! Working together for one thing – to get it done for Henry County! And to all a Merry Christmas.

Gregory Reynolds – Thank you for the hard work. Merry Christmas to everyone!

On a motion by Gregory Reynolds seconded Henry Grimsley and a unanimous vote, the commission adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.