

HENRY COUNTY COMMISSION  
JUNE 20, 2023  
10:00 A.M.

The Henry County Commission held its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 10:00 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 Greg Reynolds.

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

Public Comment from Citizens.

Jay and Nicey Eller – AI power coming across property. The Eller's updated the commission on their situation and are asking the Commission for a resolution to request Alabama power to initiate a feasibility study to use the existing utility easement which runs from the current North-South transmission line Northwest to Henry County Road 99. A representative from Alabama Power was present at the meeting and informed the Eller's that routing engineers were coming down 6/21/23 to meet.

Dr. Hannah Matz – protection of people in the county from neighbors. Dr. Matz spoke regarding noise problems in the county, no animal control, and a request for rules and regulations.

Comment from other Elected Officials and Department Heads.

Derek White, Coroner request – provided clarification that another vehicle is not needed yet. Current vehicle can get thru a year. Requesting a Ford Expedition 4-wheel drive. A 4-wheel drive is needed for fields/creek beds. Regarding the cooler need we can get together on a fee to use his cooler.

Chairman Money recognized Sheriff Blankenship, Rhonda Harrison, Matt Quincey, Matt Hatcher, Chad Granberry and Pam Dyson.

Awards and Presentations.

None.

Consent Agenda

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

Scheduled Public Hearing

None.

New Business

Chairman Money requested action to submit nominations of three citizens to serve on the Board of Equalization (Winston Griggs, Chan Smith, Michael Starling). John Ralph Saunders moved to submit nominations of three citizens to serve on the Board of Equalization (Winston Griggs, Chan Smith, Michael Starling) seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action to dissolve the Henry County Library Authority and to also request that all state aid from the Alabama Public Library Service be distributed in equal amounts to the Blanche R. Solomon Memorial Library in Headland and to the Abbeville Memorial Library in Abbeville. Henry Grimsley moved to dissolve the Henry County Library Authority and to also request that all state aid from the Alabama Public Library Service be distributed in equal amounts to the Blanche R. Solomon Memorial Library in Headland and to the Abbeville Memorial Library in Abbeville seconded by Jason Hudspeth. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on proposal to schedule monthly Administrative and Commission meetings for 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Administrative) and 1:00 p.m. (Commission) John Ralph Saunders moved to schedule monthly Administrative and Commission meetings for 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (Administrative) and 1:00 p.m. (Commission) seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested motion to add additional item to the agenda. Gregory Reynolds made motion to add additional item to the agenda seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Money requested action on resolution to participate in the joint application for the bridge investment program grant funding opportunity. Benton Beasley moved to approve resolution to participate in the joint application for the bridge investment program grant funding opportunity seconded by Henry Grimsley. Vote was unanimous.

#### Old Business

Chairman Money requested action to approve Insolvents, Errors, and Taxes in Litigation for 2022. Henry Grimsley moved to approve Insolvents, Errors, and Taxes in Litigation for 2022 seconded by Gregory Reynolds. Vote was unanimous.

#### Reports from Staff

Chairman Money – See attached report.

Ronnie Dollar, Chief Operations Officer – Health Screening Tuesday reminder.

Chris Champion, Engineer – See attached report.

Spence Danzey, County Attorney – none.

Rhonda Harrison, Economic Development Director – See attached report.

Discussion items by Commissioners

Benton Beasley – Thank y'all for being here. Thank you Road crew!

John Ralph Saunders – Thank you to the Eller family and Alabama power for being here. I hope the meeting goes well tomorrow.

Jason Hudspeth – Good to see everybody. I appreciate all the hard work with the storm.

Henry Grimsley – Good to see each and everyone. Thank you to Mr. Champion and all.

Gregory Reynolds – Thank you all for coming. Thank you department heads, road crew and Chris and Chad.

On a motion by Henry Grimsley seconded by Gregory Reynolds and a unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.