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**The Autauga County Commission met at 5:00 p.m. on APRIL 15, 2025.**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Jay Thompson and Invocation was given by Commissioner Rusty Jacksland.

**Members present:** Jay Thompson - Chairman  
Rusty Jacksland  
John L. Thraikill  
Bill Tatum  
Terry Tanner

**Also present:** Scott Kramer, Treasurer/Administrator  
Audra Smith, Deputy Treasurer/Administrator  
Kyle Shirley, County Attorney  
Rob Ellzey, Assistant County Engineer

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **approve the minutes of the APRIL 1, 2025 Regular Meeting.**

**Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.**

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner to **approve invoices received through APRIL 15, 2025 and authorize the Chairman and Treasurer/Administrator to issue warrants for payment thereof.**

**Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.**

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **approve the following items on the Consent Docket:**

**1. APPROVAL FOR DESIGNATED PERSONNEL TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING:**

**COMMISSION**

2025 AAPPA SUMMER CONF.	JULY 22-25, 2025	FLORENCE, AL
2024/2025 CSU COURSES		PRATTVILLE, AL

**SHERIFF**

**APOSTC FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR DEV. COURSE   APRIL 28-29, 2025   FULTONDALE, AL**

**2. APPROVE PAYMENT TRANSFER TO THE GASOLINE BUDGET (111-53600-212) FOR GAS USAGE DURING MARCH 2025:**

001-56900-212	RURAL TRANSPORTATION	5,124.73
001-52610-212	SOLID WASTE	193.98
001-57800-212	ARENA	175.19
001-51100-212	COMMISSION	85.70
001-52620-212	LITTER CONTROL	384.55
001-51981-212	MFGHOME	198.37
001-52400-212	CORONER	<u>193.00</u>
	<b>DUE FROM GENERAL FUND:</b>	<b>\$ 6,355.52</b>
120-51810-212	REAPPRAISAL	\$ <u>167.38</u>
	<b>DUE FROM REAPPRAISAL FUND:</b>	<b>\$ 167.38</b>

3. **APPROVE PAYMENT TRANSFER TO THE SHERIFF BUDGET (001-52100-212) FOR GAS USAGE DURING MARCH 2025:**

001-52600-212	ANIMAL CONTROL	\$	449.53
001-52960-212	SRO	\$	294.49
001-52200-212	JAIL	\$	1,850.32

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner to **approve proclamation honoring the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Paul Reveres historic ride "2 Lights for Tomorrow"**.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.



**A PROCLAMATION  
For Alabama Counties**

**PROCLAMATION**

By the Commissioners of the County of Autauga, Alabama

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama and Autauga County recognize the importance of honoring and commemorating the two-hundred-fiftieth anniversary of the founding of our nation; and

WHEREAS, the events of 1775 that began the revolution the year before independence was declared are significant moments that signaled the creation of a national identity and unity of purpose that transcended national geographic, cultural and societal divides; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of April 18, 1775, with impending hostile action from the British Army in Boston, Massachusetts, Paul Revere and William Dawes along with other alarm riders undertook a perilous ride to alert everyone in the countryside of the coming danger; and

WHEREAS, preceding their departure from Boston, a prearranged signal was set in the Old North Church steeple to ensure that the message got out and did not solely rely on just one or two alarm riders; and

WHEREAS, the two lanterns that were the signal were immortalized in Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem Paul Revere's Ride as "One if by land, and two if by sea" and have become an enduring symbol of American vigilance, perseverance and preparedness in the face of adversity; and

WHEREAS, we are reminded, 250 years later, that the call for unity and the call to serve each other is no less relevant today than it was then; and

WHEREAS, a national initiative has been proposed by the United States Semiquincentennial Commission that two lights be displayed in public spaces across the country for all to see marking that significant anniversary in April 2025 and the beginning of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorations leading up to the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, that state of Alabama and Autauga County support and encourage community events that promote patriotism, unity and reflection on our shared history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAY Thompson, Chairman Autauga County Commissioner, do hereby endorse the national initiative and proclaim Friday, April 18, 2025, as

Two Lights for Tomorrow day

In Autauga County, Alabama and encourage reflection on the idea that all these historic events were endeavoring toward one common goal: the chance to embrace our God-given rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to approve Resolution #2025-19; recognizing April 20-26, 2025 as National 4-H Volunteer Week.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

**Resolution  
2025-19**

**Recognizing April 20<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as National 4-H Volunteer Week**

WHEREAS, National 4H Volunteer Week is being held April 20-26, 2025, in conjunction with National Volunteer Week, and

WHEREAS, we want to recognize our local volunteers for their amazing contributions to positive youth development through 4-H projects and programs, and

WHEREAS, we appreciate the selfless hours spent committed to the children of Autauga County, and

WHEREAS, Autauga County 4-H had a total of 190 group volunteers with volunteer hours that totaled 875.5 logged hours last year, and

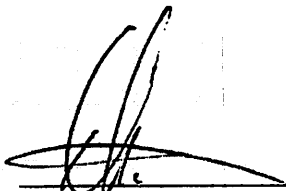
WHEREAS, Autauga County 4-H had a total of 43 individual volunteers with hours that totaled 576 hours last year, and

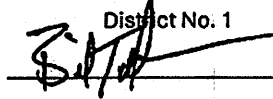
WHEREAS, according to Alabama 4-H - the value of volunteer time for the 2023-2024 4-H Club Year was: \$33.49/Hour, equal to \$48,610.74 donated through volunteerism to our local program, and


WHEREAS, because of the time and effort of the volunteers, the Autauga County program was able to reach over 2800 participants.

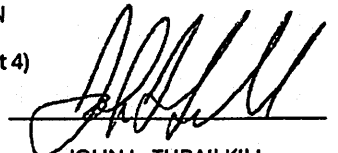
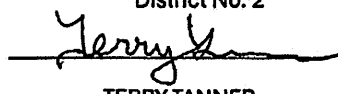
THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Autauga County Commission recognizes April 20-26, 2025, as National 4-H Volunteer Week and encourages citizens to support our local program.

ADOPTED, THIS THE 15th Day of April 2025.

  
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RUSTY JACKSLAND

District No. 1  
  
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BILL TATUM  
District No. 3

  
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JAY THOMPSON  
Chairman (District 4)

  
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JOHN L. THRAILKILL  
District No. 2  
  
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TERRY TANNER  
District No. 5

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland for approval of change order #1 for Pine Level Park.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for approval to transfer David Williams from animal control to deputy, effective 4/12/2025.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland for approval to promote David Williams from deputy to corporal, grade ps304: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for **approval to promote Shaun Pearsall from sergeant to lieutenant, grade ps306: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland for **approval to promote Jordan Prieur from sergeant to lieutenant, grade ps306: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner for **approval to promote Ryan Holena from corporal to sergeant, grade ps305: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thrailkill and seconded by Mr. Tatum for **approval to promote Richard Dorman from deputy to corporal, grade ps304: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for **approval to promote Duntrevious Esco from deputy to corporal, grade ps304: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tatum for **approval to promote Matthew Eller from deputy to corporal, grade ps304: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tanner and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for **approval to promote Jacob Turner from deputy to corporal, grade ps304: step 1, effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner for **approval to transfer Justin Holt from deputy to animal control, (no change in pay) effective 4/12/2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thrailkill and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **suspend the rules and add the following item to the agenda: rescind the hire of John Owens, part time courthouse security.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for **approval to rescind the hire of John Owens, part time courthouse security.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tanner and seconded by Mr. Jacksland for **approval to hire Brenda Tyus, part time driver, grade 3: step 2 (pending background/drug test) to fill an open position.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve a one year, one step pay increase for satisfactory service to Robert Perkins, shop foreman, DOH: 4/15/2024.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Tanner for **approval to hire Steven Williams, operator I, grade 4: step 1 (pending background/drug test) to replace Matt Powell who retired.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tanner and seconded by Thraikill for **approval to hire Shedrick Perry, truck driver, grade 4: step 4 (pending background/drug test) to replace William Leatherberry who resigned.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner for **approval to hire Ian Redmond, laborer 1, grade 2: step 5 (pending background/drug test) to replace Bruce Conard who resigned.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thraikill and seconded by Mr. Tatum to **enter into Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.**




Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thraikill and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **come out of Executive Session at 5:36 p.m.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thraikill to **adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. and reconvene on Tuesday May 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

  
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JAY THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN  
COMMISSIONER  
DISTRICT NO. 4  
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RUSTY JACKSLAND  
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JOHN L. THRAIKILL  
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