

STATE OF ALABAMA ()
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AUTAUGA COUNTY ()

The Autauga County Commission met at 5:00 p.m. on FEBRUARY 4, 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. Thrailkill
Bill Tatum
Terry Tanner

Also present: Scott Kramer, Treasurer/Administrator
Audra Smith, Deputy Treasurer/Administrator
Kyle Shirley, County Attorney
John Mark Davis, County Engineer

A motion was made by Mr. Thrailkill and seconded by Mr. Tatum to **approve the minutes of the JANUARY 7, 2025 Regular Meeting.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve invoices received through FEBRUARY 4, 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. Thrailkill to **approve the following items on the Consent Docket:**

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

<u>JAIL</u>		
FOOD SHOW	FEB. 4-6, 2025	BILOXI, MS
AL. JAIL ASSOC.	MAY 17-21, 2025	FORT WORTH, TX
<u>COMMISSION</u>		
ACAA CONF.	MAY 7-8, 2025	ORANGE BEACH, AL
<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>		
EDAA CLASS	FEB. 20, 2025	AUBURN, AL
<u>ENGINEERING</u>		
ACEA CONF.	MAY 6-7, 2025	ORANGE BEACH, AL
QCI TRAINING		WEBINAR
<u>REV./APPRAISAL MAPPING DEPT.</u>		
AATA SUMMER CONF.	JUNE 8-12, 2025	ORANGE BEACH, AL
<u>SHERIFF</u>		
E-FLO K9 TRAINING	FEB. 3-7, 2025	KOKOMO, IN
BASIC NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS	FEB. 18-21, 2025	TUSCALOOSA, AL
2025 SAFE SCHOOL CONF.	JUNE 2-6, 2025	ORANGE BEACH, AL
2025 APOA CONF.	JUNE 10-13, 2025	ORANGE BEACH, AL
2025 NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY	JULY 6-11, 2025	GRAPEVINE, TX
<u>SENIOR SERVICE</u>		
2025 ALTRANS & TRANSIT CONF.	APRIL 29-MAY 1, 2025	GULF SHORES, AL
<u>RURAL TRANSPORTATION</u>		
2025 ALTRANS & TRANSIT CONF.	APRIL 29-MAY 1, 2025	GULF SHORES, AL
<u>PROBATE</u>		
AL. PROBATE JUDGE'S SPRING CONF	MAR. 9-12, 2025	MONTGOMERY, AL

2. APPROVE A 6 MONTH PROBATION PERIOD TO THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEE:**SHERIFF****CHARLES DRISCOLL, DEPUTY SHERIFF DOH: 7/22/2024****3. APPROVE PAYMENT TRANSFER FROM THE COMMISSION BUDGET 001-51100-252 (POSTAGE) TO THE PROBATE BUDGET 001-51300-252 (POSTAGE) FOR POSTAGE METER USAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59.21**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve a Memorandum of Understanding for Autauga/Elmore Mobile Crisis Team (CARASTAR).**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **approve the McDowell, Faulk & Shirley County Attorney Contract.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner to **approve an Election Agreement between Autauga County Commission, Board of Registrars, Autauga County Probate Judge and the City of Prattville.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **approve the 2025 county mileage rate at .70 per mile, effective as of January 1, 2025.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve ACCA Insurance recovery, supplemental pay for the following vehicle: 001-47905**

\$1,047.64 52100-234 2022 Ford F150 VIN#42662

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tatum to **approve the termination of Cody Barnhart, deputy sheriff, effective 1/8/2025 and hire a replacement.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tanner and seconded by Mr. Jacksland to **approve the termination of Sarah Waters, desk clerk, effective 1/14/2025 and hire a replacement.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve the resignation of Lucas Middleton, deputy sheriff, effective 1/8/2025 and hire a replacement.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to **approve the resignation of Shane Kent, part time correction officer, effective 1/23/2025 and hire a replacement.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Tanner for **approval to hire Kenta Richardson, part time driver, grade 3: step 1 (pending background/drug test) to replace Margie Bolt who was promoted.**

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thraikill for approval to hire Winford Reese, part time driver, grade 3: step 1 (pending background/drug test) to replace Tommie Geohagan who resigned.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Tanner for approval to hire Codey Cotton, part time driver, grade 3: step 1 (pending background/drug test) to replace Willie Russell who was terminated.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner to approve the resignation of Gretta Golson, full time driver, effective 1/31/2025 and hire a replacement.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tatum to approve Resolution #2025-13: Coosa river fishing.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

**AUTAUGA COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025-13
A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE OPPOSITION OF AUTAUGA COUNTY TO RESTRICTIONS
PLACED ON FISHING TOURNAMENTS ON THE COOSA RIVER AND AFFIRMING THE
COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING LOCAL FISHERIES**

WHEREAS, the Coosa River is a vital natural resource and a cornerstone of the local economy and quality of life for residents of Autauga County; and

WHEREAS, fishing tournaments on the Coosa River are an important economic driver for the community drawing anglers and tourists from outside the region, and contributing to the local hospitality, retail, and service industries; and

WHEREAS, the Coosa River has long been recognized for its excellent fishing opportunities, attracting world-class anglers and offering a premier destination for fishing tournaments, which in turn generates significant economic benefits through tourism, hotel stays, dining, and other local spending; and

WHEREAS, restrictions placed on fishing tournaments would negatively impact local businesses, tourism revenue, and the livelihoods of citizens who depend on the river's recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Autauga County benefit greatly from the enjoyment of the Coosa River, and restrictions on fishing tournaments would diminish the quality of life in the community, reducing opportunities for recreation and economic prosperity for local families; and

WHEREAS, the current condition of the Coosa River's fisheries is good, and with proper management and support, there is tremendous potential to enhance the quality of these fisheries to a world-class level providing both environmental and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Autauga County are committed to working collaboratively with local, state, and federal agencies to improve the health and sustainability of the Coosa River's fisheries while preserving the opportunities for recreational fishing tournaments that support tourism and the local economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Autauga County, as follows:

1. **Opposition to Restrictions:** The Autauga County Commission expresses its strong opposition to the imposition of restrictions on fishing tournaments on the Coosa River, as such restrictions would have adverse effects on local tourism, the economy, and the quality of life of its citizens.
2. **Support for Fisheries Enhancement:** The Autauga County Commission affirms its support for efforts aimed at enhancing the existing fisheries of the Coosa River, recognizing the potential for improvement to achieve world-class quality fisheries. The Council encourages cooperative efforts between local stakeholders, environmental groups, and governmental agencies to create and implement effective strategies for improving river health and fisheries management.
3. **Commitment to Economic Growth:** The Autauga County Commission reaffirms its commitment to supporting economic development through responsible management of the Coosa River's natural resources, including the continuation of fishing tournaments that bring value to the local economy and promote the river's global reputation as a premier fishing destination.
4. **Collaboration for Solutions:** The Autauga County Commission encourages ongoing collaboration among residents, businesses, tourism organizations, and regulatory bodies to ensure that any management plans for the Coosa River's fisheries prioritize both environmental sustainability and the economic welfare of the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the appropriate state and federal agencies, local partners, and stakeholders involved in the management of the Coosa River's resources.

ADOPTED by the Autauga County Commission, this 4th of February 2025.

Autauga County Chairman
Jay Thompson

ATTEST:

Autauga County Administrator
Scott Kramer

To approve the ABC license for Ballerz Lounge LLC died from lack of motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tatum to for approval to enter into an agreement with Universal Engineering Solutions (UES) Professional Solutions, LLC for geotechnical design and testing services for an approximate one-mile-long section of CR-19 from US-82 to the Autauga Northern Railroad Tracks.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thrailkill and seconded by Mr. Tanner for approval to enter into contract with Ozark Striping Company, Inc. under public works inquiry 2025-PW1 to perform annual traffic striping and related traffic control markings of the county.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thrailkill and seconded by Mr. Jacksland for approval to enter into contract with GW Norrell Contracting Company, Inc. under public works inquiry 2025-PW2 to perform annual bridge and culvert maintenance and repair of the county.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill for approval to enter into contract with Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc. under public works inquiry 2025-PW3 to perform annual paving and surface treatment of the county.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner to award the annual concrete bid for 2025 to Champ Concrete and Hodgson Concrete Company.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tanner for approval to hire Justin Cunningham, operator I, grade 4: step 3 (pending background/drug test) to replace James Dunn who resigned.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Tatum to approve subdivision Alpine Place Plat No. 1 (district 4).

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tanner and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to approve subdivision Alpine Place Plat No. 2 (district 4).

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to approve subdivision Jordan Estates Plat No. 1 (district 4).

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Jacksland and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to approve the FY2025 Family Sunshine Center Service Agreement.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

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

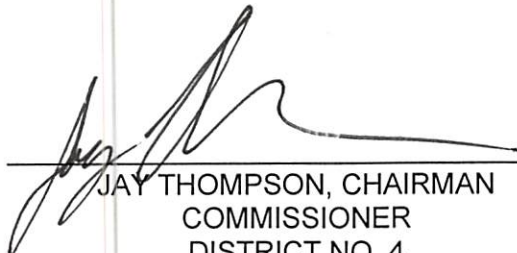
Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tatum and seconded by Mr. Thrailkill to come out of Executive Session at 5:52 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Thraikill and seconded by Mr. Tatum to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and convene back on Tuesday February 18, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.



JAY THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT NO. 4



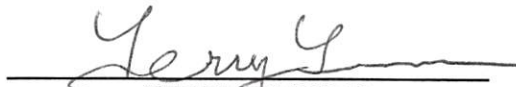
RUSTY JACKSLAN
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT NO. 1



JOHN L. THRAIKILL
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT NO. 2



BILL TATUM
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT NO. 3



TERRY TANNER
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT NO. 5

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