The Marshall County Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, November 8, 2017, at 10:00am in the Marshall County Commission Chambers.

PRESENT:
James Hutcheson, Chairman
William H. Stricklend, III, District 1 Commissioner
R.E. Martin, District 2 Commissioner
David Kelley, District 3 Commissioner
Jessie C. Swords, District 4 Commissioner
Bob Pirando, County Engineer
Karen Young, Administrative Assistant
Shelly Fleisher, County Administrator
Norma Parker, Commission Clerk
Clint Maze, County Attorney

Chairman Hutcheson called the meeting to order and asked Commissioner Kelley to lead the invocation. He then asked Commissioner Stricklend to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: LEON LATHAM 112 FOREST HOME ROAD BOAZ, AL DISTRICT #3
Mr. Latham approached the Commission to request they apply for HVAC funds to be used on an ADA certified ramp at Pine Grove Community Center, which is a designated polling place in District #3. The funds would be used to: add a new concrete pad that would connect to a concrete ramp and tie into the existing asphalt pad, with two handicap parking spots at the back of the building. In November 2016 Commissioner Kelley had a wooden ramp built at this location in the front of the building. Mr. Latham said that ramp was not ADA certified and supplied photos with explanation of his claim. Commissioner Kelley believes the ramp is ADA certified. Probate Chief Clerk Andrea LeCroy said the funds are available to apply for with HVAC and if Commissioner Kelley was interested, they could apply and request a new ramp be built. Commissioner Kelley declined and said ‘No’ he was not interested in applying for the funds.

CONSENT AGENDA
A motion was made by Commissioner Martin, duly seconded by Commissioner Kelley, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the consent agenda as read by Chairman Hutcheson. The consent agenda includes the minutes from the October 25, 2017 commission meeting and the claims docket for October 24, 2017 – November 6, 2017 in the amount of $477,696.21.

APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL STATE HOLIDAY, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2017, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNOR KAY IVEY
A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Stricklend, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the additional state holiday, Friday, November 24, 2017, as authorized by the Governor.

PALS – ANNOUNCE WHITE GOODS PICKUP SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2017; DISTRICTS 1 & 2 – DONATED DUMPSTER, DISTRICT 3 & 4 – PAYING FOR DUMPSTER

APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS GAP VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION MONTH
A motion was made by Commissioner Stricklend, duly seconded by Commissioner Kelley, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the Proclamation recognizing November as GAP Volunteer Recognition Month.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, our Elderly and Adults with Disabilities deserve to be treated with respect and dignity.
WHEREAS, these individuals have a vast amount of wisdom and life experiences to convey to their communities, and are worthy of our time and attendance.

WHEREAS, the frightening reality is that our Elderly and Adults with Disabilities are being abused, neglected, and exploited each year by persons who are supposed to care for them.

WHEREAS, in our great county a need to protect these individuals has been recognized and remedied by forming GAP, Marshall County Guardianship Program, Inc.

WHEREAS, through GAP, Community Volunteers are trained and supported to meet the needs of our Elderly and Adults with Disabilities.

WHEREAS, Community Volunteers spend time, and give their attention to these individuals by serving as their advocates and giving them a voice.

NOW THEREFORE, I, James Hutchison, Chairman of the Marshall County Commission and in such capacity, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2017 as

GAP VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION MONTH

In Marshall County and encourage the citizens of this great county to show they care about our Elderly and Adults with Disabilities by honoring our GAP Volunteers and supporting the Marshall County Guardianship Program, Inc.

S/James Hutcheson
James Hutcheson, Chairman

APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 17-23 AS ALABAMA FARM-CITY WEEK

A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Swords, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the Proclamation recognizing November 17-23 as Alabama Farm-City Week.

ALABAMA FARM-CITY WEEK – 2017
A PROCLAMATION

For over 60 years during Thanksgiving week, the American people have observed Farm-City Week to express gratitude for the bounty with which God has blessed our land and to recognize the achievements of the farmers, rural townspeople, and city residents who make our Nation’s agricultural production and distribution system so successful. Truly this cooperation between rural and city dwellers for mutual benefit helps ensure our country’s well-being.

America’s farmers have provided food and fiber to sustain our people throughout decade after decade of progress. Farmers’ productivity has increased steadily, thanks largely to their initiative in supporting and adopting the methods and materials developed by scientific research. Yield per acre has grown tremendously, with the result that American farmers are able not only to meet the Nation’s basic needs for foodstuffs, but also to produce agricultural goods for export and for a wide variety of specialty markets here in the United States and around the world.

American agriculture, and the many service industries that depend upon it in cities and towns and along all the routes in between, is a story of extraordinary labor creating extraordinary abundance. At this time of year, it is only fitting that all Americans offer some special sign of thanks to those who grow, harvest, and bring to our Nation’s tables the fruits of sun, seed, and soil.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Hutcheson, Chairman of the Marshall County Commission by virtue of the authority vested in me do hereby, proclaim the week of November 17 through November 23, 2017, as Alabama Farm-City Week. I call upon all citizens in rural and cities alike to join in recognizing the accomplishments of our productive farmers and of our urban residents, who cooperate to create abundance, wealth, and strength for our Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, 8th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

announce two week application period for the Joppa, Hulaco & Ryan water authority; term begins March 1

district 3 – approve discontinuation of road approval sheet for purchase orders
A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Martin approve discontinuation of road approval sheet for purchase orders. Chairman Hutcheson did a roll call vote; Commissioner Stricklend, No, Commissioner Martin, Yay, Commissioner Kelley, Yay, Commissioner Swords, No. Chairman Hutcheson voted No, to break the tie. The motion to discontinue use of Road Approval Sheet was voted down with three No’s and two, Yay’s.

district 3 – approve payment request to James Sims for mowing Douglas Senior Center; $100
A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Swords, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve payment request to James Sims for mowing Douglas Senior Center.

approve revision to credit card purchase policy removing section V(1) regarding per purchase limit of $2,500
A motion was made by Commissioner Stricklend, duly seconded by Commissioner Martin, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve revision to credit card purchase policy removing section V(1) regarding per purchase limit of $2,500.

approve the snow removal agreement on state highways in Marshall county with ALDOT for winter 2017-2018
A motion was made by Commissioner Stricklend, duly seconded by Commissioner Kelley, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the Snow Removal Agreement on State Highways in Marshall County with ALDOT for winter 2017-2018. The motion stated that we will opt in on rate of $170 per hour for motor graders, $75 per hour for pilot vehicles, $145 per hour on rubber tire loaders, and the county supply its own operators and blades.

approve the rds contract for collection of county taxes for one year
A motion was made by Commissioner Stricklend, duly seconded by Commissioner Martin, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the RDS contract for collection of County taxes for one year.

approve the sell, trade or scrap of fixed assets
A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Swords, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve the sell, trade or scrap of fixed assets.
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APPROVE CANCELLATION OF MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 22, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Swords, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve cancellation of meeting scheduled for November 22, 2017.

Chairman Hutcheson announced a Veteran’s day ceremony scheduled for Saturday November 11th at Guntersville Courthouse.

There being no further business a motion was made by Commissioner Stricklend, duly seconded by Commissioner Kelley and so carried to adjourn.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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James Hutcheson, Chairman

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