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The Marshall County Commission met in emergency meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 1:00pm in the Marshall County Commission Chambers.

PRESENT:

James Hutcheson, Chairman
Ronny Shumate, District 1 Commissioner
James R. Watson, District 2 Commissioner
David Kelley, District 3 Commissioner
Joey Baker, District 4 Commissioner
Bob Pirando, County Engineer
Clint Maze, County Attorney
Norma Parker, Commission Clerk

NOT PRESENT

Shelly Fleisher, County Administrator
Karen Young, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Hutcheson called the meeting to order and asked County Attorney Clint Maze to lead the Invocation. He then asked Commissioner Joey Baker to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND CLOSING COURTHOUSE

A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Shumate, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approving the Marshall County Emergency Declaration as read by County Attorney regarding the disease COVID-19. A motion was made by Commissioner Kelley, duly seconded by Commissioner Watson, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to approve close all Marshall County Courthouses and satellite offices to the general public effective March 17, 2020 – April 6, 2020. The Commission will decide at a later date if re-opening date is to be extended. All employees are required to work regular scheduled hours.

JOINT DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY CONDITIONS
MARSHALL COUNTY AND
EXECUTING MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, MARSHALL County (the “County”) and the Cities of Albertville, Arab, Boaz, Guntersville and the Towns of Douglas, Grant, and Union Grove (the “Municipalities”); are at risk of experiencing COVID-19 sickness and infection, which began on or around March 13, 2020 and continuing;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 infection poses a risk on public and private property;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that numerous individuals, homes, and businesses will be impacted. Due to the continuous spreading of COVID-19 within the State of Alabama, efforts and activities must continue and;

WHEREAS, all of the above could adversely affect the health, safety, and economy of the people of the County and the Municipalities, and;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that these damages, by reason of their magnitude, will be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County and Municipalities and will require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to alleviate the adverse effects to the health, safety, and economy of the County and the Municipalities, and;

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WHEREAS, the situation does create emergency conditions in Marshall County and the Municipalities within the intent of the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Commission and each Municipalities Mayor (Council/Mayor) has been requested by the Marshall County Emergency Management Agency to implement its emergency powers as set out in Code of Alabama 1975, § 31-9-10.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that emergency conditions exist throughout Marshall County and the Municipalities warranting to exercise of emergency powers as provided by law and the activation of the Marshall County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and each Municipalities EOP and all appropriate annexes. In addition, I direct the appropriate county and city agencies to exercise their statutory authority to assist the communities and entities affected.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of the Marshall County Emergency Management Agency and the emergency organizations of the County and the Municipalities shall be those prescribed by state law, and the ordinances and resolutions of this County and the Municipalities.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the local emergency conditions, all procedures and formalities described in Ala. Code (1975 § 31-9-10(b)(5) are hereby waived.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of the local emergency conditions and without limiting any other manner or method by which a person or entity may be deemed an "emergency management worker", all persons or entities tasked pursuant to, or at the request of, the Marshall County Emergency Management Agency ("MCEMA") by or through its Emergency Management Information Tracking System (WebEOC) or subject to the order or control of any agency, department, board, commission, bureau, committee, institution, corporation, authority, or office tasked by MCEMA by or through WebEOC shall be deemed an "emergency management worker" for purposes of Ala. Code (1975 Section 31-9-16.

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Attest: David Kelley
S/David Kelley
Vice Chairman

By: James Hutcheson
S/James Hutcheson
Chairman

By: Anita McBurnett
S/Anita McBurnett
Marshall County EMA Director

APPROVE CANCELLING MARCH 25TH COMMISSION MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Shumate, duly seconded by Commissioner Watson, all members voting affirmatively and so carried to cancel the March 25, 2020 regular session meeting.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED

James Hutcheson, Chairman

Ronny Shumate, District 1 Commissioner

James R. Watson, District 2 Commissioner

David Kelley, District 3 Commissioner

Joey Baker, District 4 Commissioner