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The Marshall County Commission met in a regular session on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., in the Marshall County Commission Chambers. County Engineer Mike Knop led the invocation, and Commissioner Rick Watson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

John Young, Chairman
Ashleigh Bubbett, County Administrator
Vacant, District 1 Commissioner
James R. Watson, District 2 Commissioner
Lee Sims, District 3 Commissioner
Joey Baker, District 4 Commissioner
Mike Knop, County Engineer
Kristal Jones, Administrative Assistant
Tanya Giroir, Commission Clerk
Clint Maze, County Attorney

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Baker, duly seconded by Commissioner Watson, to approve the consent agenda as presented by Chairman Young. The consent agenda includes the minutes from the April 8, 2026, regular scheduled meeting, and the claims docket for the period from April 7, 2026, to April 20, 2026, totaling \$3,823,510.63.

APPROVE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 19-25, 2026, AS NATIONAL CRIMES VICTIMS' WEEK

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker. All members voted affirmatively to approve the Proclamation recognizing April 19-25, 2026, as National Crimes Victims' Week. Attorney Clint Maze read the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL CRIMES VICTIMS' WEEK

Whereas, crime in America has a devastating impact on victims and survivors, and tears at the social fabric of our society as a whole;
and Whereas, no victim or survivor should have to endure the trauma of victimization and its impact – physical, financial, emotional, spiritual and social – alone;
and Whereas, the community of crime victims and survivors, those who serve them, and countless allies work together to ensure that victims' needs are identified and met with quality, collaborative and comprehensive services;
and Whereas, there are more than 12,000 system- and community-based victim services programs across the Nation that help crime survivors and promote community safety, and over 32,000 laws that define and protect victims' rights;
and Whereas, 2026 is the 45th anniversary of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, first proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan in 1981;
and Whereas, this time-honored tradition unites all who care about crime, victimization and survivors to acknowledge and honor survivors, their challenges and their strengths;
and Whereas, during 2026 National Crime Victims' Rights Week – April 19 through 25 – we recommit our efforts to promote and strengthen the extensive community that supports and serves victims and survivors of crime;
now Therefore, I, John Young, Chairman of the Marshall County Commission do hereby declare the week of April 19 through 25, 2026 as Crime Victims' Rights Week in Marshall County, with this proclamation amplifying our commitment to ensure that crime victims' rights and services are not only recognized annually, but provided daily.

ENGINEERING – APPROVE GRANT VIEW ESTATES, SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN DISTRICT 2

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve Grant View Estates Subdivision, located in District 2, as recommended by the County Engineer.

ENGINEERING – APPROVE NEELY AVENUE RESURVEY, SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN DISTRICT 2

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve Neely Avenue Resurvey, subdivision located in District 2, as recommended by the County Engineer.

ENGINEERING – APPROVE ROBERT DAVIS PROPERTY, SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN DISTRICT 3

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the Robert Davis Property subdivision located in District 3, as recommended by the County Engineer.

ENGINEERING – APPROVE PRISCILLA’S ADDITION TO HORTON, SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN DISTRICT 3

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve Priscilla’s addition to Horton, Subdivision located in District 3, as recommended by the County Engineer.

ENGINEERING – APPROVE TO AWARD BID #23A-25 REBID FOR HOT BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT (F.O.B. PLANT) AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve awarding Bid #23A-25 for Hot Bituminous Pavement (F.O.B. Plant) to all vendors, as recommended by the County Engineer.

The following Vendors are included in the award:

- APAC Alabama/Midsouth Paving Inc., Birmingham, AL
- Rogers Group Inc., Huntsville, AL
- Vulcan Materials Company, Birmingham, AL
- Grayson Carter & Son Construction Inc., Athens, AL
- C. A. Lanford, Guntersville, AL

ENGINEERING – APPROVE TO AWARD BID #36-25 FOR BITUMINOUS SURFACE TREATMENT COUNTYWIDE (CIP) AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO CHARLES E. WATTS LOCATED IN GADSDEN, AL

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the award of Bid #36-25 for Bituminous Surface Treatment Countywide (CIP), as recommended by the County Engineer to Charles E. Watts, located in Gadsden, AL.

APPROVE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EXAMINERS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND THE MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION FOR FY2025 AUDIT

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the contract agreement between the Examiners of Public Accounts and the Marshall County Commission for the FY2025 audit.

COUNCIL ON AGING – APPROVE CONTRACT WITH TOP OF ALABAMA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (TARCOG) STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SHIP); NO MATCH

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the contract with the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments (TARCOG) State Health Insurance Program (SHIP); no match.

APPROVE TO SELL A 2010 FORD F150, VIN #1FTFW1EV5AFB13380, BOUGHT WITH METH INITIATIVE GRANT; PROCEEDS FROM SALE TO BE GIVEN TO DRUG UNIT

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the sale of a 2010 Ford F150, VIN #1FTFW1EV5AFB13380, bought with Meth Initiative Grant; proceeds from the sale to be given to the Drug Unit.

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APPROVE TO SELL A 2010 DODGE NITRO, VIN # 1D4PT2GK1AW129326, BOUGHT WITH METH INITIATIVE GRANT; PROCEEDS FROM SALE TO BE GIVEN TO DRUG UNIT

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the sale of a 2010 Dodge Nitro, VIN #1D4PT2GK1AW129326, bought with Meth Initiative Grant; proceeds from the sale to be given to the Drug Unit.

REVENUE COMMISSION – APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT TO INCREASE REVENUE COMMISSIONER BUDGET BY \$45,000

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Sims, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the budget amendment to increase the Revenue Commissioner's budget by \$45,000.

APPROVE OBTAINING A \$5 MILLION CD WITH 1-YEAR TERM FROM LIBERTY BANK; 4.0%

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve obtaining a \$5 million CD with a 1-year term from Liberty Bank; 4.0%.

APPROVE THE SALE, TRADE, OR SCRAP OF FIXED ASSETS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the sale, trade, or scrap of fixed assets.

FIXED ASSET/ SURPLUS/ SCRAP DECLARATIONS

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	<u>FA#</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
<i>SCRAP</i>		1990 Chevrolet Van	Drug Unit	Item is obsolete, broken or worn out
		2007 Dodge Durango	Drug Unit	Item is obsolete, broken or worn out
<i>SELL</i>		2015 Ford F-150	Drug Unit	Item is no longer needed in department
	10787	2010 Ford F-150	Drug Unit	Item is no longer needed in department
	10785	2010 Nitro SUV	Drug Unit	Item is no longer needed in department

APPROVE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE EMERGENCY TO REPLACE FIRE PUMP WHICH COULD RESULT IN HARM TO PERSON OR PUBLIC PROPERTY

A motion was made by Commissioner Sims, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker, and all members voted affirmatively to approve the resolution to Declare Emergency to Replace Fire Pump, which could result in harm to persons or public property. Attorney Clint Maze read the resolution.

STATE OF ALABAMA
MARSHALL COUNTY

RESOLUTION OF THE MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
PURSUANT TO ALA. CODE
SECTION 39-2-2 (f)

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Courthouse in Guntersville is served by a fire suppression pump, which has been in service for thirty-six (36) years; and

WHEREAS, each year, inspection and recertification on the fire suppression system is required under the laws and regulations of the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the fire suppression system did not pass the most recent inspection, and it is presently not certified for service; and

WHEREAS, the fire suppression system is necessary for the occupancy and use of the Marshall County Courthouse in Guntersville; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of replacement of the fire suppression system is \$250,000; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of \$250,000 for a fire suppression system would be covered under the Alabama Public Works requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ala. Code Section 39-2-2(f), in the event of an emergency, the Marshall County Commission can award a public works contract without public advertisement or bidding.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Marshall County Commission, as follows:

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1. A functioning fire suppression is necessary for the occupancy and use of the Marshall County Courthouse in Guntersville; and
2. The absence of a functioning fire suppression pump creates substantial risk of loss of human life and potential for loss or significant damages to public property; and
3. The Chairman of the Marshall County Commission is authorized secure quotes for the replacement of the fire suppression pump and enter into a contract with the best vendor who can replace the at the best price, considering the replacement timeline.

Adopted this the _____ day of April 2026, with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

APPROVE TO GO OUT FOR QUOTE TO REPLACE THE FIRE PUMP WHICH FAILED INSPECTION. REPLACEMENT WAS SUGGESTED BY THE INSPECTION COMPANY. ITEMS TO BE REPLACED ARE A 750 GALLON PER MINUTE PUMP, A 20-25 HORSEPOWER ELECTRIC MOTOR, A JOCKEY PUMP, AND A PUMP CONTROLLER. VERBAL ESTIMATE OF \$250,000.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Watson, duly seconded by Commissioner Sims, and all members voted affirmatively to approve going out for quotes to replace the fire pump, which failed inspection. Replacement was suggested by the inspection company. Items to be replaced are a 750-gallon-per-minute pump, a 20-25-horsepower electric motor, a jockey pump, and a pump controller. Verbal estimate of \$250,000.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED

John Young, Chairman

Vacant, District 1 Commissioner

James R. Watson, District 2 Commissioner

Lee Sims, District 3 Commissioner

Joey Baker, District 4 Commissioner