

## MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

The Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, convened in a scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Commission in the Morgan County Commission Office, Morgan County Courthouse, Decatur, Alabama. The following members were present: Chairman Ray Long; Commissioners Jeff Clark, Randy Vest, Don Stisher, and Greg Abercrombie. Also present: David Langston, County Attorney; Greg Bodley, County Engineer; Julie Reeves, Chief Administrative Officer; Jessica Smith, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Mike Wetzell, Communications Director; Laura Vest, Business Services Coordinator. Absent: None. Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Vest acted as clerks of the Meeting. Mr. Clark offered the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Reeves called roll and stated that a quorum was present. The Chairman declared the Meeting open for the transaction of business.

### VISITORS

Matthew Frost, Resident

### PUBLIC HEARING:

#### **PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMENTS CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF AN UPDATED "FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE" AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA).**

The Chairman brought to the attention of the Commission that this was the date and time advertised to hold a "Public Hearing" for the purpose of receiving citizen input concerning adoption of an updated "Floodplain Development Ordinance" as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Greg Bodley, County Engineer, explained that from time-to-time FEMA and/or the state require an update to the floodplain to assure compliance with federal rules and regulations. The state put out a model ordinance that the county followed, although some items were pulled out that did not pertain to the county. A copy of the corrected ordinance had been sent to the state for approval prior to the adoption and submittal deadline set by state of February 5, 2024. He felt sure it would not be met with any disapproval.

Per Mr. Bodley, this adoption is a requirement, and the county cannot opt-out. To opt-out would mean the county would not to be in the program and would be in violation of the FEMA program which would affect people with flood insurance.

Mr. Bodley also stated the basic requirements and rules in the new floodplain are the same. He felt the verbiage was easier to follow making it user-friendly if anyone wanted to review the ordinance.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Bodley and the Engineering Department for their work and instructed anyone who had a question concerning the floodplain ordinance to contact the Engineering Department.

There were no additional comments or questions regarding the adoption of an updated "Floodplain Development Ordinance".

The Chairman declared the "Public Hearing" closed.

### AGENDA

The Agenda for the meeting of Tuesday, January 23, 2024, had been presented to the Commission for review.

After due consideration, it is therefore ordered by the Commission on motion of Mr. Don Stisher, seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, and unanimously carried that there being no further additions or corrections to the above listed agenda; it is hereby approved.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, had been presented via email to the Commission for review.

After due consideration, it is therefore ordered by the Commission on motion of Mr. Randy Vest, seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, and unanimously carried that there being no further additions or corrections to the above referenced Minutes; they are hereby approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO ACCEPT BID FROM SPARKMAN HEATING AND AIR AS LOWEST RESPONSIVE BIDDER MEETING SPECIFICATIONS TO REPLACE FOUR (4) HVAC UNITS AT FARM SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,000.**

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
WS ELECTRICAL & AIR CONDITIONING CO.	\$56,626.38
SPARKMAN HEATING AND AIR	\$43,000.00**
LOWER ALABAMA HEATING COOLING AND REFRIG	\$43,350.00

Mr. Randy Vest, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

**RESOLUTION 24-145**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to accept bid from Sparkman Heating and Air as lowest responsive bidder meeting specifications to replace four (4) HVAC units at Farm Services in the amount of \$43,000, this the 23rd day of January 2024.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
WS Electrical & Air Conditioning Co.	\$56,626.38
Sparkman Heating and Air	\$43,000.00
Lower Alabama Heating Cooling and Refrigeration	\$43,350.00

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADOPT RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE UPDATED "FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE" FOR UNINCORPORATED MORGAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. THE ORDINANCE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON PASSAGE.**

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

**RESOLUTION 24-146**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby adopt and enact the updated "Floodplain Development Ordinance" for unincorporated Morgan County, Alabama. The Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage, this the 23rd day of January 2024.

**ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2023 MORGAN COUNTY REBUILD ALABAMA ANNUAL REPORT AS PRESENTED BY GREG BODLEY, COUNTY ENGINEER.**

Mr. Jeff Clark, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Randy Vest, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit: