
MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

The Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, convened in a rescheduled meeting on Thursday, October 5, 2023, 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: Greg Bodley, County Engineer; Julie Reeves, Chief Administrative Officer; Jessica Smith, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Mike Wetzel, Communications Director; Laura Vest, Business Services Coordinator. Absent: David Langston, County Attorney. Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Vest acted as clerks of the Meeting. Mr. Vest 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

Heather McIngvale, Morgan County Sheriff's Office
Erica Smith, Decatur Daily
George Hill, Morgan County IT
Zach Starnes, Harris Caddell & Shanks, PC
Jonathan Warner, EMA Director

AGENDA

The Agenda for the meeting of Thursday, October 5, 2023, 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, September 26, 2023, 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: None

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SOLICIT SEALED BIDS FROM THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE BIDDER MEETING SPECIFICATIONS FOR FENCING AT NORTH PARK, WEST PARK, AND SOUTH PARK IN DISTRICTS 1, 2, & 3, RESPECTIVELY.

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:

RESOLUTION 24-001

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to solicit sealed bids from the lowest responsive bidder meeting specifications for fencing at North Park, West Park, and South Park in Districts 1, 2, & 3, respectively, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF EVA FOR POLICE PROTECTION TO BE PROVIDED BY THE MORGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AT AN ANNUAL COST OF \$73,740, PAYABLE IN TWELVE (12) MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS OF \$6,145, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

Mr. Don Stisher, 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:

RESOLUTION 24-002

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement with the Town of Eva for police protection to be provided by the Morgan County Sheriff's Department at an annual cost of \$73,740, payable in twelve (12) monthly installments of \$6,145, effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH CENTRAL ALABAMA HIGHWAY SAFETY OFFICE (NAHSO) AND THE MORGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR OFFICIAL PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTH CENTRAL ALABAMA HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICE PROGRAM GRANTS(S) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

Mr. Jeff Clark, 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 24-003

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with the North Central Alabama Highway Safety Office (NAHSO) and the Morgan County Sheriff's Office for official participation in the North Central Alabama Highway Traffic Safety Office Program grants(s) for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 beginning October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GRANT AGREEMENT FROM THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES IN COLLABORATION WITH THE MORGAN COUNTY JUVENILE COURT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350,438 FOR THE MITNICK WILDERNESS PROGRAM, PROVIDING A SERIES OF STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES, CHALLENGES, AND INTERACTIONS WITH NATURE IN A SHORT-TERM PROGRAM FOR YOUTH WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE COMMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES.

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 24-004

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 grant agreement from the Alabama Department of Youth Services in collaboration with the Morgan County Juvenile Court, in the amount of \$350,438 for the Mitnick Wilderness Program, providing a series of strategic activities, challenges, and interactions with nature in a short-term program for youth who would otherwise be committed to the Department of Youth Services, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GRANT AGREEMENT FROM THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES IN COLLABORATION WITH THE MORGAN COUNTY JUVENILE COURT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,668, FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL DIVERSION SERVICES FOR YOUTH WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE COMMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES.

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 24-005

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 grant agreement from the Alabama Department of Youth Services in collaboration with the Morgan County Juvenile Court, in the amount of \$400,668, for residential and non-residential diversion services for youth who would otherwise be committed to the Department of Youth Services, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES UNDER TITLE III OF THE OLDER AMERICAN ACT OF 1965 WITH NORTH CENTRAL ALABAMA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (NARCOG) AREA AGENCY ON AGING TO PROVIDE SUPPORTIVE AND NUTRITION SERVICES, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

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 24-006

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the Contract for Services Under Title III of the Older American Act of 1965 with North Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments (NARCOG) Area Agency on Aging to provide supportive and nutrition services, effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO RENEW SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH GARRATT CALLAHAN FOR WATER TREATMENT CHEMICAL PROGRAM FOR THE MORGAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,400, TO BE PAID IN TWELVE (12) MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS OF \$450, FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION 24-007

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to renew service agreement with Garratt Callahan for water treatment chemical program for the Morgan County Courthouse in the amount of \$5,400, to be paid in twelve (12) monthly installments of \$450, for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN, ON BEHALF OF MORGAN COUNTY EMA, TO ENTER INTO A CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH JH CONSULTING, LLC PROVIDING SERVICES RELATED TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$27,970 FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 9, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.

Mr. Don Stisher, 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:

RESOLUTION 24-008

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman, on behalf of Morgan County EMA, to enter into a Consulting Agreement with JH Consulting, LLC providing services related to emergency preparedness in an amount not to exceed \$27,970 for a period of one (1) year beginning October 9, 2023 through September 30, 2024, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE CERTIFICATE OF MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO REBATE LIABILITY FOR THE SERIES 2012 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING WARRANTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.

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

RESOLUTION 24-009

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the Certificate of Morgan County Commission with Respect to Rebate Liability for the Series 2012 General Obligation Refunding Warrants for the period ending September 30, 2023, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RANDY VEST, DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER, TO FILL TWO (2) EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITIONS, GRADE B05 (\$20.32-\$26.15).

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 24-010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize Randy Vest, District 2 Commissioner, to fill two (2) Equipment Operator positions, Grade B05 (\$20.32-\$26.15), this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVE EMPLOYEE ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023.

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 24-011

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby approve the following employee additions and deletions for September 2023, this the 5th day of October 2023:

<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>	
Sharon Toefield	Commission	Franklin Seth Hill	Community Corrections
Rhonda James	Commission on Aging	Timothy Sandlin	District 3
Alan Gastler	EMA	Jacob Harel	Jail
Bille Shelton	Jail	Ashley Bailey	Jail
Courtney Ingle	Jail	Jorge Salas	Jail
Hector Aviles	Jail	Fredrick Ewing	Jail
Jorge Salas	Jail	Austin Strain	Sheriff's Office
Riley Morgan	Jail		
Steven Blake Dozier	Jail		
Mercades McCoy	License		
April Springer	Maintenance		
Garrett Higginbotham	Sheriff's Office		
John Wall	Sheriff's Office		
Tony Vest	Sheriff's Office		

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RANDY VEST, DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER, TO DECLARE ONE (1) 1995 FORD LT8000 DUMP TRUCK (#2789), VIN #1FDYU82E4SVA66941, AS SURPLUS AND SELL ON GOVDEALS OR DISPOSE OF PROPERLY:

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 24-012

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize Randy Vest, District 2 Commissioner, to declare one (1) 1995 Ford LT8000 Dump Truck (#2789), VIN #1FDYU82E4SVA66941, as surplus and sell on Govdeals or dispose of properly, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO REAPPOINT TONY WEIKERT AND DEPUTY CHIEF NATHAN SPRINGER TO THE MORGAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNICATION DISTRICT (E-911) BOARD FOR 4-YEAR TERMS EACH, EXPIRING APRIL 11, 2027.

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 24-013

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Commission to reappoint Tony Weikert and Deputy Chief Nathan Springer to the Morgan County Emergency Management Communications District (E-911) Board for 4-year terms each, expiring April 11, 2027, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023.

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:

RESOLUTION 24-014

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby approve the following budget amendments for September 2023, this the 5th day of October 2023:

**Morgan County Commission
Budget Amendments for Board Approval
September 2023**

<u>General Fund</u>		<u>ACTION</u>
00144052 44901 - Revenue	11,846.00	Increase
00152100 50154 - Expenditures	11,846.00	Increase
00144052 44725 - Revenue	3,291.18	Increase
00152100 50116 - Expenditures	3,291.18	Increase
00152201 50231 - Expenditures	15,733.71	Increase
00152203 50231 - Expenditures	4,968.54	Increase
00147003 47905 - Revenue	20,702.25	Increase
00151972 50299 - Expenditures	10,000.00	Increase
00147003 47100 - Revenue	10,000.00	Increase
(To amend budget for revenue and expenditures not previously budgeted)		

<u>Contingency Fund</u>		<u>ACTION</u>
00251100 50296 - Expenditures	1,000.00	Increase
00251100 50299 - Expenditures	1,000.00	Decrease
(To amend budget for expenditures not previously budgeted)		

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING INVOICES, TOTALING \$116,213.45:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
County Rev Officers Assoc. of AL	Membership Dues (4) – Sales Tax	\$40.00
AL Assoc. of Boards of Registrars	Membership Dues (4) – BOR	130.00
Examiners of Public Accounts	Audit Services	3,268.00
Genesis Construction	South Park Concession	12,350.00
E Tech Construction	Morgan County Jail	43,083.45
Genesis Construction	North Park Concession	57,342.00

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, moved for their approval. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously approved:

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2023 FORD F150 SUPERCREW 4X4 TRUCK FOR THE SAFETY DEPARTMENT FROM STIVERS FORD LINCOLN, MONTGOMERY, AL, UTILIZING STATE CONTRACT T191 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,872, AND AMEND BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

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

RESOLUTION 24-015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford F150 Supercrew 4x4 truck for the Safety Department from Stivers Ford Lincoln, Montgomery, AL, utilizing State Contract #T191 in the amount of \$40,872, and amend budget accordingly, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMANDA SCOTT, REVENUE COMMISSIONER, TO PURCHASE CUBICLES FOR REVENUE DEPARTMENT FROM TURNERBOONE, AN OSCO COMPANY, HUNTSVILLE, AL, UTILIZING STATE CONTRACT #MA220000002796 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,884.98.

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 24-016

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize Amanda Scott, Revenue Commissioner, to purchase cubicles for Revenue Department from TurnerBoone, an OSCO Company, Huntsville, AL, utilizing State Contract #MA22000002796 in the amount of \$98,884.98, this the 5th day of October 2023.

ADOPT RESOLUTION CANCELLING THE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023, MEETING OF THE MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION AND RESCHEDULE FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023, AT 9 A.M.

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 24-017

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby cancel the Tuesday, October 24, 2023, meeting of the Morgan County Commission and reschedule for Monday, October 23, 2023, at 9 a.m., this the 5th day of October 2023.

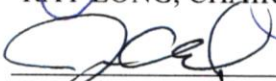
Before the Chairman gavelled for the meeting to be adjourned, he expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners for completing another Fiscal Year and thanked them for working together for the good of the employees and the citizens of Morgan County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that there being no further business to come before the Commission, the same on motion of Mr. Don Stisher, seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, and unanimously carried; the Morgan County Commission is duly adjourned.


These Minutes were approved,
this the 23rd day of October 2023.




RAY LONG, CHAIRMAN



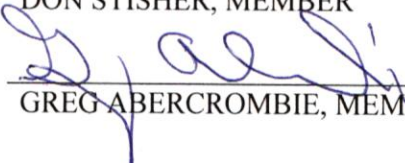
JEFF CLARK, MEMBER



RANDY VEST, MEMBER



DON STISHER, MEMBER



GREG ABERCROMBIE, MEMBER