**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 1st March Adj.**



THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

PRESENT: JOE WILSON, PRESIDING COMMISSIONER; JOHN SHORTEN, SOUTHERN COMMISSIONER; CINDY THOMPSON, NORTHERN COMMISSIONER

**DISCUSSIONS**

The Commissioners discussed what was learned at the CCAM training sessions that were held last week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at Margaritaville Resort in Osage Beach. They also discussed the VCRCC meeting held on Monday evening.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, called on the Commission to report on culverts that were repaired, a New Holland tractor that was repaired, but still had some problems, cutting in Coal Township, the bridge that is being replaced on 725 Road, and brush along the West side of 200 Road, South of Quail Road. He also reported on the need for more plastic and steel culverts.

**VISITORS**

Phyllis Sprenkle, representing the Vernon County Democrats, called on the Commission for an update on current projects.

**ROADS**

Karen Pettit visited the Commission to discuss 2175 Road in Dover Township. Shelly Baldwin, Recorder of Deeds, also attended the meeting. She was advised to meet with the Vernon County prosecutor. Phyllis Sprenkle also attended the meeting.

Commissioner Shorten returned a call to Kasen Pitts in regard to 1375 Road, south of Whipsaw Road, in Moundville Township. He later visited the Commission Office to determine if the road had ever been closed. Phyllis Sprenkle also attended the meeting.

Randy Allee called on the Commission to report that 1300 Road in Deerfield Township needs to be maintained. Phyllis Sprenkle was also present at the meeting.

Commissioner Shorten received a call from Elizabeth Johnson regarding a hole in a road in

Montevallo Township and an issue involving a school bus. She was referred to Jeff Parrish, Montevallo board member. Commissioner Shorten called Jeff Parrish to visit about the road.

Tammy Bobbett called in regard to a hole in 1625 Road near Union Track Road in Drywood Township. Commissioner Shorten called Danny Laning, Township Trustee to determine what needs to be done.

Commissioner Shorten returned a call to Jim Cochran about a road issue in Virgil Township. He referred him to the Trustee and board members of the township.

**COUNTY VEHICLE**

Sheriff Mike Buehler delivered keys to a vehicle that was previously used as a Vernon County Deputy’s car. The car will be used by Kelsey Westerhold, Public Administrator, to transfer her clients to appropriate locations.

Kelsey Westerhold, Public Administrator, visited the Commission to discuss the vehicle, pick up the key and give updates on the daily operations of her office. Phyllis Sprenkle also attended this meeting.

**CULVERTS**

A call was received from Delton Fast concerning culverts near his property that need to be cleaned out. Commissioner Shorten referred him to the township trustee.

**COUNTY BUSINESS MANAGER**

Erik Sommer, County Business Manager, visited the Commissioners to review the February 2025 receipts and expenditures.

**INVOICES AND CHECKS**

The Commission reviewed and approved invoices and checks.

**TIME SHEETS AND PAYROLL**

The Commission reviewed and approved employee time sheets and payroll.

**OLD MONTEVALLO SCHOOL**

Commissioner Wilson received a phone call regarding the Old Montevallo School.

**ARPA FUNDS**

Commissioner Shorten returned a call to Shane Clinton, Bronaugh Community Fire Association, to discuss ARPA funds that were allocated to the Association.

**COUNTY JAIL**

Adrienne Lee, County Clerk, reported on a claim filed by Carolyn Hill, a visitor at the jail, regarding a slip and fall injury.

**VERNON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Nathan Forkner, President; Josh Weber, Vice President; Ben Bennett, Secretary; Kermit Pritchett, Treasurer; Chance Wait, Klay Beisly, and Jenny Gayman, members-at-large, of the Vernon County Youth Fair board, called on the Commission to discuss the upcoming additions to the Fairgrounds. It was reported that the new building will be delivered on March 18th. The Road and Bridge Crew will tear down the old buildings and Erwin Construction will then start the concrete work. Phyllis Sprenkle also attended the meeting.

**ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 4:25 p.m. until Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

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