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(STATE OF ALABAMA)  
(COUNTY OF MACON)

MACON COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018  
6:00 P.M.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- INVOCATION
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

II. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING (S)

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

(Limited to 3-minutes, no more than two speakers on the same subject)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

V. ROLL CALL to ESTABLISH QUORUM

HONORABLE MILES D. ROBINSON, DISTRICT ONE  
HONORABLE EDWARD HUFFMAN, DISTRICT TWO  
HONORABLE ANDREW D. THOMPSON JR, DISTRICT THREE  
HONORABLE ROBERT M. BERRY, DISTRICT FOUR

VI. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

VII. AWARDS & PRESENTATION(S)

- Employees of the Month (Proclamation)
  - o Thelma Hardmon, General Fund
  - o Arthur Swain, Gasoline Fund
  - o Jimmy McCoy, Gasoline Fund (February 2018)
  - o Michael Williams, Gasoline Fund (March 2018)

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - January 08, 2018
- PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES
  - Overtime

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- BOARD APPOINTMENT(S)
  - M.C. Healthcare Authority D#1, 2, 3 & 4 - At-Large
  - E9-1-1 – At-Large
  - Beauregard Water Authority
- RESOLUTION (S)
  - G.O. Bond
  - Pinkie Menefee
  - Mary Flennoy
  - Alfred “Chat” Bryant Sr.
  - Communications Providers: Cell Phone Towers -Verizon/Century Link
- COUNTY LEVIES ALCOHOL LICENSING
- PERSONNEL ACTION (S)

- M.C. Sheriff Dept & Jail
  - Hire, New
- Leave of Absence
  - Probate Judge Office
    - Personnel (2)
- OLD COUNTY SHOP – Sale
- GLOVER PROPERTY – Purchase

X. REPORTS FROM CHAIRMAN & STAFF

- CHAIRMAN
- FINANCE DIRECTOR
- COUNTY ENGINEER
- COUNTY ATTORNEY
- COMPLIANCE OFFICER
- EMA DIRECTOR
- RSVP DIRECTOR
- COMMUNITY CORRECTION DIRECTOR

XI. OLD BUSINESS

- Proposed District Meetings for 2018

XII. DISCUSSION ITEM(S) BY COMMISSIONERS

(Discussion Items May Only Be Acted upon by Affirmative Vote of All Commissioners in Attendance.)

XIII. RECESS/ADJOURNMENT

**Meeting:** REGULAR MEETING  
**Date:** January 8, 2018  
**Time:** 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Annex

**Meeting Called to Order:**

- The Honorable Louis Maxwell, Chairman

**Offering of Prayer:**

- Minister Laura Lee, Member, Apostolic Faith Church, Tuskegee, Alabama

**Present Commissioners:**

- The Honorable Miles D. Robinson, Commissioner District #1
- The Honorable Edward Huffman, Commissioner District #2
- The Honorable Andrew D. Thompson Jr., Commissioner District #3
- The Honorable Robert Berry, Commissioner District #4

**Staff:**

- Attorney Bridgett Gray
- Susan B. Thomas, Finance Director
- Gertrude S. Benjamin, Personnel Director/Treasurer
- Erika Collins, Administrative Assistant

**Topics of Discussion:**

1. Commissioner Robinson moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
2. Commissioner Huffman moved to adopt a Proclamation honoring the Employee of the Month Jabari Ware, Compliance Officer for January 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
3. Commissioner Robinson moved to adopt the minutes of 12/11/2017 with any necessary corrections if there be any. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, and the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
4. Commissioner Robinson moved to approve payment of bills and invoices for the month of December 2017, contingent upon review and signatures of the Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, and the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
5. Commissioner Berry moved to approve the payment of all Budgeted Overtime for General Funds & Gasoline Funds for the month of January 2018 upon review and signatures of the Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
6. Commissioner Berry moved to appoint Jan Fountain to replace Albert Simon on the Macon County- Tuskegee Public Library Board effective immediately filling the unexpired term of Alberta Simon. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
7. Commissioner Thompson moved to reappoint Debra Ellis to the Macon County Healthcare Authority Board representing District #3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berry, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
8. Commissioner Thompson moved adopt a resolution calling on our Legislative Delegation to cause a portion of Highway 80, **between mile markers 157-167** be named in memory of the late Harold D. Powell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berry, the motion carried by unanimous vote in favor of the motion.

9. Commissioner Berry moved to adopt a resolution honoring the life of Alberta Simon and 30-years of service on the Macon County- Tuskegee Public Library Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
  10. Commissioner Huffman moved to adopt a resolution honoring the life of William Johnson, Principal (retired) for years of service with the Macon County School Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
  11. Commissioner Robinson moved to adopt a resolution honoring the life of the Late Ms. Christine Sanford. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
  12. Commissioner Berry moved to adopt a resolution honoring Coach Obidah Threadgill for being inducted into the Alabama State Hall of Fame. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huffman, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
- NOTE: Report: Finance Director's, Engineer's, Complicance Officer's, EMA Director's, RSVP's, Community Correction's (Copy of Report on File)**
13. Commissioner Robinson moved to accept all Department Head's written reports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
  14. Commissioner Huffman moved to authorize a temporary hire for Probate Judge Office if needed (emergency situation). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the motion carried by **unanimous vote in favor of the motion.**
  15. Commissioner Thompson moved to adjourn @ 6:17pm.

**MACON COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**January 8, 2018 (Reg Meeting)**

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Honorable Louis Maxwell, Chairman

  
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 Honorable Miles Robinson, Dist. #1

  
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 Honorable Edward Huffman, Dist. #2

  
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 Honorable Andrew Thompson, Dist. #3

  
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 Honorable Robert M. Berry, Dist. #4

ATTEST:   
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 Erika Collins, Administrative Assistant

**PROCLAMATION**

In Recognition of  
***Jabari Ware***  
"Employee of the Month"  
January 2018

**WHEREAS**, Macon County Commission is the governing body which here and hereafter represents the citizens of its domain of the County of Macon and State of Alabama; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty and privilege of the Macon County Commission to serve the residents of Macon County, to recognize special events pertaining to the residents of the county and contributions of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the employees of the Macon County Commission nominated from among their peers a co-worker whom they feel is worthy of the designation *Employee of the Month*, and

**WHEREAS**, *Jabari Ware*, County Administrator provides leadership with a sense of passion and enthusiasm by being a trail blazer, who has a vested interest in making sure that the citizens in Macon County are being afforded services that are second to none, her collaborative leadership style cultivates a clear customer services focus that centers on every citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, *Jabari Ware*, *Employee of the Month* recipient will be honored during the month of *January 2018* by her peers; and

**WHEREAS**, *Jabari Ware*, relentless giving of herself to, County Government, and to the Macon County Community is worthy of recognition, congratulations and expressions of gratitude and appreciation; and

**WHEREAS**, it is with a sense of great pride that the Macon County Commission joins the Macon County employees and the Macon County Community in celebrating this accomplishments and public service contributions of *Jabari Ware*, *Employee of the Month*.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Louis Maxwell, Chairman along with the honorable Commissioners and all the citizens of Macon County hereby formally acknowledge

**"*Jabari Ware*"**  
**"*Employee of the Month*"**

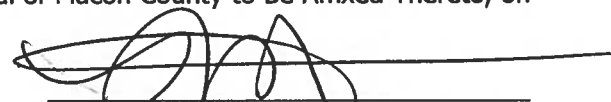
in recognition and appreciation for her dedicated services to humanity and to the citizens of Macon County.

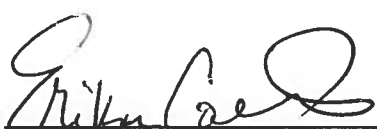
**IN FURTHER RECOGNITION THEREFORE**, I, Louis Maxwell, Chairman, and on behalf of the Macon County Commission, do hereby proclaim the month of *January, 2018* as

**"EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH APPRECIATION RECOGNITION"**

in Macon County, Alabama, and encourage all Macon Countians to come forward and join in paying tribute to this individual.

In Witness Whereof, I Have Hereunto Set My Hand and Caused the Great Seal of Macon County to Be Affixed Thereto, on this the *1<sup>ST</sup>* Day of **JANUARY, 2018**.

  
Louis Maxwell, Chairman

ATTEST:   
Erika Collins, Administrative Assistant

## Finance Director's Report

January 04, 2018

- We have finished Bank Reconciliations for November, 2017, afterwards the month-end-close-out will follow.
- **Revenues on all funds are better, but not enough to make a big difference.**
- Business Licenses collected from October, 2012 through September, 2013 totaled **\$185,230.12** and **\$145,756.07** was collected from October, 2013 through September 30, 2014 for Business Licenses.

Business Licenses collected from October, 2014 through September 2015 totaled **\$167,455.27.**

Revenues collected for Business Licenses from October, 2015 through September, 2016 totaled **\$128,998.09.**

Revenues collected from Business Licenses were \$64,787.35 for October, 2016 thru September, 2017 which totaled **\$157,928.02.**

Revenues collect for Business Licenses for October, 2017 was \$62,134.40 and \$35,490.52 for November, 2017 which totaled **\$97,624.92.**

- The 2012 Gas Tax Bond had a Cash balance of **\$24,161.39** at November 30, 2017.
  - **Gasoline taxes collected from RDS** were \$2,693.13 for November, 2015; \$2,896.63 for December, 2015; \$6,163.94 for January, 2016; \$7,449.61 for February, 2016; \$17,595.50 for March, 2016; \$8,035.71 for April, 2016; \$7,940.36 for May, 2016; \$7,862.98 for June, 2016; \$7,571.21 for July, 2016; \$7,498.87 for August, 2016; and \$7,933.30 for September, 2016; \$7,805.20 for October, 2016; \$6,760.68 for November, 2016; \$38,778.47 for December, 2016; \$22,045.92 in January, 2017; \$15,544.74 for February, 2017; \$27,792.19 for March, 2017; \$7,952.18 for April, 2017; \$32,119.41 for May, 2017; \$31,270.93 for June, 2017; \$23,084.19 for July, 2017; \$24,580.12 for August, 2017; \$24,527.06 for September, 2017; \$23,468.53 for October, 2017 and \$24,825.32 which totaled **\$394,196.18.** A check for **\$228,255.00** has been done to Midsouth Paving, Inc.
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**for work done on Co. Roads 40 & 30. The check has been cashed. This leaves a balance of \$165,941.18.**

- **I have resubmitted the 09/26/2017 Election reimbursement to the State. We are also in the process of getting ready for the 12/12/2017 Election, which had to be put on hold until they dealt with the prior election.**
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**MACON COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Report for the County Commission

January 8, 2018

J.D. Smith, county engineer



**Federal & State Aide Project(s)**

- FHWA/ALDOT Projects
  - County Road 56 Resurfacing completing remaining work required
  - County Road 9/Calebee Bridge should begin shortly

**County Projects**

**<Bold-Scheduled, *Italic-Complete*>**

A. One Cent Gas Tax

○ <u>District 1</u>			
- <b>CR 24 Chip Seal</b>	\$	<b>75,000</b>	\$ 75,000
○ <u>District 2</u>			
- <b>CR 24 Resurface</b>	\$	<b>82,000</b>	
- <b>CR 33 Chip Seal</b>	\$	<b>20,000</b>	\$ 102,000
○ <u>District 3</u>	\$	0	\$ 0
○ <u>District 4</u>			
- <i>CR 40 Resurface</i>	\$	<i>233,412.60</i>	\$ 233,412.60
B. Regular Department Funds			
○ <u>District 2</u>			
- <i>CR 45 Chip Seal</i>	\$	<i>126,818.60</i>	\$ 126,818.60



**Macon County Emergency Management Agency Director's Report**  
**Frank H. Lee, Director**  
**January 8, 2018**

As we wind down holiday season, our office continues to daily work on efforts to enhance and mitigate emergency efforts in our county.

Currently we are experiencing Winter Freeze warnings and our office is working with a number of agencies to make sure our citizens are safely preparing themselves for this very cold weather.

Upon our departure from the State several weeks ago, we were presented with another check in the neighbor of two hundred plus thousand dollars to aid in disaster relief.

County Engineer J.D. Smith has done an outstanding job in coordinating these ongoing works to restore our roads and structural damage sustained by the 2015 flooding. We in my opinion still must visit or contact the new state EMA director to settling this matter as soon as possible.

Chairman Maxwell is know the direct contact with The Alabama Department of Emergency Management and will replay to all information in regard to projects and state funding, disbursements will go directly to the Chairman's office.

Our office has provided resourceful information to our citizens in several mediums to assure that we enhance in every possible way to further our efforts to disseminate resourceful information.

We are looking forward to an exciting 2018 and look ford to a successful 2018.

Our office has attended area volunteer fire departments meetings, neighborhood watch association, and civic organizations and have been the featured speaker at a number of civic organizations in Macon County.

This clearly offers an opportunity for us to discuss ongoing preparedness efforts in which is top priority for your Macon County Emergency Management Agency under our watch.

We shall in 2018 take advantage of all methods of media to further our emergency preparedness message.

We continue to provide instant messaging in the event of weather and safety concerns, impacting the lives of the citizens in which we serve.

Currently, we are exploring that simple message content to a county wide instant messaging system to instantly have the ability to alert our citizen almost instantly.

We are looking forward to following up with the U.S. Marshall's office in our request that we engage in an active shooting seminar in Macon County .This effort will allow a number of our agencies can be professionally trained by an expert to prepare for such an event.

We are continuing to work with the Sheriff, as the chief law enforcement officer in Macon County to inform our citizens in an emergency setting. The recent rash of Church Shootings has prompted our office to make churches aware of copycat crimes.

The recent rash of church related shootings has prompted our office to explore what resources we can provide in that type of emergency occurrences.

Interstate 85 continues to be inundated with numerous vehicle mishaps and with the shortages of State Troopers, our county and city officials are faced with responding to daily multiple calls on Interstate 85.

When our office is involved in an emergency situation, all surrounding agencies all for jointly responded in a very professional manner.

The frequency of these accidents are at an all-time high and occur mainly between both the Lee and Montgomery County lines.

We will continue to document and reference the occurrences.

Our office has made mention of a number of Fire Department grants to all of our county's fire departments and we will continue to assist in getting information out on all federal and state related grants .

We are still facing unpresented delays in our efforts to repair and open flood damaged bridges.

I must end this report reminding all that our roads and bridges damaged

I am prompted to inform you, as your Emergency Management Director, that we have as a county been overly patient on both our state and federal governments, in regard to replacing flood damaged structures in Macon County.

Since of last year, I along with many have been seeking information in funding that, at that time reached a year and three months, since the flooding event's occurrence.

Our office, in conjunction with our county's Road and Bridge department, and the county commission immediately began an effort to ascertain what we could do collectively, to determine the delay in funding these projects in cooperation with both our State and Federal partners.

Our office launched, "Operation Open All of Our Roads and Bridges ", and we contacted and meet with our state partners, The Alabama Emergency Management Agency, in an effort to effectively execute every effort possible to begin this delinquent process. We were promised that help and assistance would be forthcoming.

I understood that a meeting is to be scheduled strongly suggest that a meeting with both the Governor and region IV officials in Atlanta be followed up on to seek full disclosure on all Macon County Projects be sought after immediately.

Our county commission, our road and bridge department continues to yet get a date in which construction can at least begin on one of the nine structures that are in disrepair.

The Macon County Commission did receive an indication that County Road 32, Washington Avenue is nearing the point of construction, however that process has been delayed.

Our nine projects are still dormant as we approach the two year mark in a couple of weeks.

Our County Commission has done its level best to lobby for some relief and we must as a county demand answers as to why Macon County has been not been funded.

As your Emergency Management Director, I will continue to assist in facilitating relief in Opening All of Our Roads and Bridges in Macon County.

As we continue to wait, I am prompted to continue our efforts in informing our citizens as to the circumstances of why or projects have been delayed for almost two years.

**MACON COUNTY COMPLIANCE OFFICE**

**MONTHLY REPORT January 8, 2018**

**Business License:** We have been visiting local businesses door to door in the city and county on a daily basis about noncompliance for mandatory business license for Macon County for 2018.

**Solid Waste:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday pickup**

There will be three (3) dump sites available for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday pickup on January 20, 2018, as follows:

1. District #1 Recreation Center – County Road 69
2. District #3 Shop – Hwy. 80 West
3. District #4 Shop on Lori Lane – Notasulga, Alabama

**Animal Control:** The calls and complaints have doubled in the last couple of months.

**Mobile Home permit: Routine**

**Are there any questions?**

**Brian Ware**

**Compliance Officer**

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**JONATHAN DAVIS  
DIRECTOR  
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

**101 East Rosa Parks Avenue**

**Tuskegee, AL 36083**

**(334) 724-2574**

**(334) 421-2829**

**[CommuntiyCorrections2@gmail.com](mailto:CommuntiyCorrections2@gmail.com)**

**Governing Body of Macon County**

Louis Maxwell, Chairman

Miles D. Robinson,

District 1 Commissioner

Edward Huffman,

District 2 Commissioner

Andrew D. Thompson, Jr.,

District 3 Commissioner

Robert M. Berry,

District 4 Commissioner

**To: Maxwell Chairman County Commission**

**From: Jonathan Davis, Director**

**Re: Monthly Report**

**January 08, 2018**

**This report will reflect the activities of the Macon County Community Corrections Program for the month of December 2017. Two additional clients enter the program during the month. The number of clients in the program is seven. We anticipate to receive monthly supervision fee and reimbursement from DOC for all seven clients.**

**The major accomplishment for the month includes, my office will have the ability to utilize the computer network that has been approved from the Department of Corrections (DOC).**

**The access will assist in expediting the client's information network. Supervision and case planning of our clients is ongoing.**

**The Department of Corrections Audit for our program is schedule for April 10,2018. We will receive the remaining of the setup money after that date.**

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**Report of Mary L. Harris  
Director, Macon County RSVP  
Macon County Commission Meeting  
January 8, 2018**

Happy New Year!

RSVP's Annual Recognition Program was held on December 19, 2017 at the Tuskegee Municipal Complex. The RSVP staff would like to take this opportunity to thank Chairman Maxwell, the Commissioners and all special guests for being in attendance and honoring the RSVP senior volunteers. This event was well-attended and we have received great feedback.

We were invited and attended some of the Christmas programs at the senior centers and they were full of the holiday spirits. We really enjoyed being a part of the festivities.

RSVP's staff had the opportunity to attend Open House sponsored by the Tuskegee Senior Citizens Program on December 22, 2017. Everyone was allowed to tour and learn about the different businesses that are located in this building. This is one of RSVP's volunteer stations.

RSVP will be accepting applications for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> through April 2018 as a community outreach effort. You must be 60 years of age or older and meet the income requirements to receive the vouchers. You may call (334) 724-2606 or come by the RSVP office at the Courthouse Annex, 210 North Elm Street, Tuskegee, AL.

We are looking forward to new opportunities for our seniors this year.

We are still recruiting senior volunteers age 55 years and older for the Chisholm Community Center, Central Alabama Veterans Health Care Systems (Tuskegee Campus), and the Tuskegee History Center, to name a few. You may contact the RSVP Office at (334) 724-2606 for further information.

RSVP staff thanks you for your continued support!

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary L. Harris*

**MARY L. HARRIS**

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## PROPOSED DISTRICT MEETINGS

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➤ **MARCH 12, 2018**

**6:00 p.m.**

District #3  
Sojourner Center  
216 L Overture Circle  
Tuskegee, AL 36083

➤ **JUNE 11, 2018**

**6:00 p.m.**

District #1  
Irish & Bertha Chisholm Community Center  
3031 County Road 69  
Tuskegee, AL 36083

➤ **SEPTEMBER 10, 2018**

**6:00 p.m.**

District #2  
Cotton Valley Community Center  
11425 US Hwy 29 South  
Tuskegee, AL 36083

➤ **DECEMBER 10, 2018**

**6:00 p.m.**

District #4  
District #4 Community Center  
1200 County Road 27  
Tuskegee, AL 36083

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