

October 24, 2022

On this the 24th day of October 2022, the Coffee County Commission met in Commission Chambers in New Brockton, AL at 9:00 AM. Those present at the said meeting were: Josh Carnley, Al Britt, Jimmy Jones and Tom Grimsley. Dean Smith, Commissioner and Chairman, was presiding. Kim Ellis and Jim Thompson were both absent. John R. Morgan III, Administrator/Attorney, was also absent.

Chairman Smith noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order. He also gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sandy Bynum Williams, Elba Chamber of Commerce, came before the commission to request the use of the grounds at the Elba Courthouse for Pumpkins on the Square. She also thanked the Commission for painting the courthouse. She invited everyone to attend a book reading by Linda Hodge at Blessed Nutrition on November 3, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Motion was made by Chairman Smith and seconded by Commissioner Jones that the Coffee County Commission honor her request. All voted Aye.

BJ Cardwell and Travis Whittaker updated the Commission on the Coffee County Food Bank as well as food banks they have started in other counties. Chairman Smith thanked them for their hard work and noted the food bank can still use our facilities.

Chairman Smith read a resolution supporting Amendments 2 & 7 to the Alabama Constitution, which will promote broadband expansion and economic development. The Commission encouraged all citizens to vote yes on election day.

Chairman Smith also read a resolution honoring Josh Carnley for faithfully serving Coffee County as a County Commissioner since 2012. Commissioner Carnley was elected to serve as a Senator representing Alabama District 31. He will be sworn in on November 9, 2022.

Motion was made by Commissioner Grimsley and seconded by Commissioner Jones that the Coffee County Commission adopt the minutes from the September 26, 2022 meeting. All voted Aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carnley and seconded by Commissioner Britt that the Coffee County Commission execute a two-year agreement with ADEM that would reimburse the county for scrap tires as requested by County Engineer Marty Lentz. All voted Aye.

Mike Thornton, Environmental Services, thanked Josh for his service to the county and wished him the best of luck.

Dean Blair, 911, stated that Enterprise Rescue received 1050 calls during the month of September. He also thanked Josh for his service to the county.

County Agent Gavin Mauldin updated the Commission on upcoming events.

Sheriff Sutton thanked Josh and wished him the best. He also reminded everyone to be safe on Halloween.

All of the commissioners thanked Josh for his faithful to service to the citizens of Coffee County.

Motion was made by Commissioner Carnley and seconded by Commissioner Jones that the Coffee County Commission elect Dean Smith to serve as Commission Chairman. All voted Aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Britt and seconded by Commissioner Smith that the Coffee County Commission appoint Cornelius Burrow to serve on the Southeast Alabama Community Action Partnership Board. All voted Aye.

With no further business to discuss, motion was made by Commissioner Grimsley and seconded by Commissioner Jones that the Coffee County Commission adjourn until the next meeting on November 14, 2022. All voted Aye.

Dean Smith, Chairman
Commissioner District 1

Kim Ellis
Commissioner District 2

Josh Carnley
Commissioner District 3

Al Britt
Commissioner District 4

Jimmy Jones
Commissioner District 5

Jim Thompson
Commissioner District 6

Tom Grimsley
Commissioner District 7