

**RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION
WORKSHOP AGENDA
FEBRUARY 8, 2024**

WELCOME ALL VISITORS

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

PUBLIC HEARING

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 22, 2024 COMMISSION MEETING
2. APPROVE THE LIST OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT
3. APPROVE THE EVALUATIONS AS BUDGETED

NEW BUSINESS

1. DISCUSS ANY CHANGES NEEDED TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 COUNTY LEVIES FOR ALCOHOL LICENSING
2. DISCUSS APPROVING RESOLUTION 2024-02A ENCOURAGING THE CITIZENS OF ALABAMA TO VOTE YES TO AMENDMENT 1 ON MARCH 5, 2024
3. DISCUSS APPROVING RESOLUTION 2024-02B FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO PURCHASE TWO JOHN DEERE 5105M TRACTORS FROM SUNSOUTH, LLC FOR \$71,100.87
4. DISCUSS IMPLEMENTING A DIRT ROAD IMPROVEMENT POLICY
5. DISCUSS AN UPDATE ON CR. 256
6. DISCUSS AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO ADD CR. 71

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION AND ANNEXES WILL BE CLOSED FEBRUARY 19, 2024 FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY

REPORTS FROM STAFF

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER -
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ENGINEER -
SHERIFF –
PROBATE JUDGE –
REVENUE COMMISSIONER –
EMA DIRECTOR –**

CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER BROWN

COMMISSIONER LARRY ROBERTS

COMMISSIONER PAMELA JOHNSON

COMMISSIONER DEREK FARR

COMMISSIONER LORENZO FOSTER

**RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 12, 2024**

WELCOME ALL VISITORS

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THOSE WHO ARE SIGNED IN TO SPEAK ON A SUBJECT FROM THE AGENDA (3 MIN)

CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

APPROVE THE AGENDA (AS AMENDED)

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NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION TO LEAVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 COUNTY LEVIES FOR ALCOHOL LICENSING FEES THE SAME AS FY2023-2024
2. MOTION APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02A ENCOURAGING THE CITIZENS OF ALABAMA TO VOTE YES TO AMENDMENT 1 ON MARCH 5, 2024 ALABAMA PRIMARY ELECTION
3. MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02B FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO PURCHASE TWO JOHN DEERE 5105M TRACTORS FROM SUNSOUTH, LLC FOR \$71,100.87 EACH
4. MOTION TO IMPLEMENT A DIRT ROAD IMPROVEMENT POLICY
5. MOTION TO AMEND THE TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO ADD CR. 71

6. MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT 2024-001-02 ALLOWING THE SHERIFF TO PURCHASE AT LEAST ONE USED PATROL VEHICLE UP TO THE BID LAW THRESHOLD OF \$30,000
7. MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-02C FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO PURCHASE ONE SIGN TRUCK FROM THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SURPLUS PROPERTY DIVISION FOR \$57,798.

AMENDED AGENDA ITEMS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ADJOURN

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

This being Feb. 12, 2024, it is a regular meeting. A quorum was duly established with the following present: Chairman Chris Brown and Commissioners Pamela Johnson, Larry Roberts, Derek Farr and Lorenzo Foster.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Farr seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to leave the fiscal year 2024-2025 county levies for alcohol licensing fees the same as FY 2023-2024. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Chairman Brown and Commissioners Roberts and Johnson voted "aye," and Commissioners Farr and Foster abstained. Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-02A encouraging the citizens of Alabama to vote yes to Amendment 1 on March 5, 2024, in the Alabama primary election. Commissioner Farr seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-02B for the expenditure of American Rescue Plan Act funds for government services to purchase two John Deere 5105M tractors from SunSouth LLC for \$71,100.87 each. Commissioner Roberts seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to begin the discussion about implementing a dirt road improvement policy. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to amend the transportation plan to add County Road 71. Commissioner Farr seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Farr made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 2024-001-02, allowing the sheriff to purchase at least one used patrol vehicle up to the bid law threshold of \$30,000. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02C for the expenditure of American Rescue Plan Act funds for government services to purchase one sign truck from the Alabama Department of Transportation surplus property division for \$57,798. Commissioner Farr seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Commissioner Brown declared the motion carried.

Regular meeting, Feb. 12, 2024

Commissioner Farr made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. With all present voting "aye," Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting.



Chairman Chris Brown



Commissioner Derek Farr



Commissioner Lorenzo Foster



Commissioner Larry Roberts



Commissioner Pamela Johnson

STATE OF ALABAMA

RANDOLPH COUNTY

RESOLUTION OF THE RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION

RES. NO. 2024-02A

WHEREAS, voters will soon consider Amendment 1, which will be on the ballot during the 2024 Primary Election held on March 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature regularly passes local laws and local constitutional amendments that impact the services provided to the county's residents, as well as the mechanisms for funding these services; and

WHEREAS, some of these taxpayer-funded services include law enforcement, education, fire protection, ambulance services, the regulation of alcoholic beverages, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, since 1984, the Alabama Constitution has required that no legislation be considered by the Legislature until both of the State's annual budgets are passed and delivered to the Governor; and

WHEREAS, there is an exception that allows the Legislature to consider other matters ahead of the budgets by adopting a "Budget Isolation Resolution" (BIR) by a vote "of not less than three-fifths of a quorum present"; and

WHEREAS, the language of this exception has been interpreted various ways since 1984 and has generated lawsuits in recent years over how many votes are needed to adopt a BIR; and

WHEREAS, if a court finds that a local law's BIR was adopted improperly, it could result in that local law being challenged on procedural grounds, even if the local law otherwise passed both chambers and became law; and

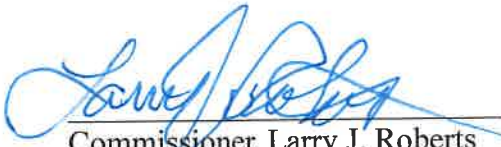
WHEREAS, Amendment 1 would allow local bills and local constitutional amendments to be considered by the Legislature without the adoption of a BIR, removing a procedural step from the legislative process; and


WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissions of Alabama has adopted a resolution encouraging Alabamians to vote yes to Amendment 1 on March 5, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION that it encourages the citizens of the county to go to the polls on March 5, 2024, and make their voices heard on Amendment 1.

DONE this 12th day of February, 2024.


Chairman Christopher Brown


Commissioner Larry J. Roberts


Commissioner Pamela Johnson


Commissioner Derek Farr


Commissioner Lorenzo Foster

RESOLUTION 2024-02B
RESOLUTION FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT
FUNDS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, Randolph County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, under the Final Rule published by the United States Department of Treasury dated January 6, 2022, the County designated a standard allowance of up to \$10,000,000 of its ARPA funds, not to exceed the County's total ARPA funds award, as revenue replacement ("Revenue Replacement funds"); and

WHEREAS, the County may expend designated Revenue Replacement funds for government services, like the provision of safe public roadways; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the procurement of the following equipment from following vendor is a necessary, reasonable, and proportionate measure to facilitate the provision of these government services:

Two John Deere 5105M Utility Tractors from SunSouth, LLC for \$142,201.74; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified the vendor from which to procure these goods and services in a manner consistent with federal and state laws and guidelines, as applicable to the expenditure of Revenue Replacement Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION as follows:

1) The County shall use up to \$142,201.74 of ARPA funds, which are hereby designated as Revenue Replacement funds, to facilitate the provision of the government services described herein.

2) The County Administrator is hereby authorized to expend these funds to purchase the equipment as described herein from the designated vendor to facilitate the provision of these services.

3) The ARPA Program Director is charged with ensuring that Revenue Replacement funds allocated and expended to provide these government services will not be used in such a way as to frustrate COVID-19 mitigation guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control, or for any other use prohibited by the Final Rule or any applicable state or federal law.

4) Expenditure of these funds, as authorized by this Resolution, shall be contingent on the continued appropriation and availability of ARPA Revenue Replacement funds for this purpose and in no event shall be used for any expenses not obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Randolph County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 12th day of February 2024.


Chairman, Randolph County Commission

RESOLUTION 2024-02C
RESOLUTION FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT
FUNDS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, Randolph County, Alabama (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, under the Final Rule published by the United States Department of Treasury dated January 6, 2022, the County designated a standard allowance of up to \$10,000,000 of its ARPA funds, not to exceed the County's total ARPA funds award, as revenue replacement ("Revenue Replacement funds"); and

WHEREAS, the County may expend designated Revenue Replacement funds for government services, like the provision of safe public roadways; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the procurement of the following equipment from following vendor is a necessary, reasonable, and proportionate measure to facilitate the provision of these government services:

One 2014 International with ALTEC 4300M7 Bucket Sign Truck from the Alabama Department of Transportation Surplus Property Division for \$57,798.00; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified the vendor from which to procure these goods and services in a manner consistent with federal and state laws and guidelines, as applicable to the expenditure of Revenue Replacement Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION as follows:

- 1) The County shall use up to \$57,798.00 of ARPA funds, which are hereby designated as Revenue Replacement funds, to facilitate the provision of the government services described herein.
- 2) The County Administrator is hereby authorized to expend these funds to purchase the equipment as described herein from the designated vendor to facilitate the provision of these services.
- 3) The ARPA Program Director is charged with ensuring that Revenue Replacement funds allocated and expended to provide these government services will not be used in such a way as to frustrate COVID-19 mitigation guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control, or for any other use prohibited by the Final Rule or any applicable state or federal law.
- 4) Expenditure of these funds, as authorized by this Resolution, shall be contingent on the continued appropriation and availability of ARPA Revenue Replacement funds for this purpose and in no event shall be used for any expenses not obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Randolph County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 12th day of February 2024.


Chairman, Randolph County Commission

BUDGET AMENDMENT 2024-001-02

Fund - Account - Object		Current Budgeted Amounts	Budget Increase / (Decrease)	New Budgeted Amounts
General Fund (001) - Sheriff's Dept (52100) - VEHICLE PURCHASE(550)		\$ 56,842.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 86,842.00
General Fund (001) - Sheriff's Dept (52100) - Principal (600)		\$ 55,791.00	\$ (15,869.78)	\$ 39,921.22
General Fund (001) - Sheriff's Dept (52100) - Interest (630)		\$ 1,500.00	\$ (668.95)	\$ 831.05
General Fund (001) - Transfer In Road & Bridge (61100)		\$ 839,649.00	\$ 13,461.27	\$ 853,110.27
Road & Bridge (112) - Transfer Out to GF (62105)		\$ 839,649.00	\$ 13,461.27	\$ 853,110.27
Road & Bridge (112) - Budgeted Surplus		\$ 87,851.00	\$ (13,461.27)	\$ 74,389.73
Total Effect on Budgeted Net Income			\$ (13,461.27)	

Why is this budget amendment needed?

As a result of vehicle accidents, one of the 2020 Dodge Durango SUVs was totaled with the insurance company paying the lien holder, leaving the sheriff with one less vehicle.

What does this budget amendment do?

This budget amendment would allow the Sheriff to purchase at least one used patrol vehicle without exceeding the bid law threshold of \$30,000.00.

How does this budget amendment affect the overall budget?

The budgeted Excess Revenue over Expenditures and Other Sources for the Road & Bridge Fund will be reduced from \$87,851.00 to \$74,389.73 because the overall affect of this amendment is (\$13,461.27).