

**RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION
MAY 27, 2025
MEETING AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

WELCOME ALL VISITORS

PRAYER – REV. ALAN HURST

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MIN)

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

CALL ROLL TO ESTABLISH A QUORUM

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

APPROVE THE AGENDA (AS AMENDED)

AWARDS & PROCLAMATIONS

1. PATRIOT AWARDS PRESENTED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO SHERIFF DAVID COFIELD, CHIEF DEPUTY DONNIE GRANT, AND LIEUTENANT NATHANIEL MORROW AS RECOMMENDED BY ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD SPECIALIST DEREK WATKINS
2. RESOLUTION 2025-05A HONORING DWIGHT AKINS ON HIS RETIREMENT

PUBLIC HEARINGS

OLD BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE THE MAY 12, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
2. REVIEW THE LIST OF APPROVED CHECK PAYMENTS
3. APPROVE THE EMPLOYEE EVALUATION CHANGES AS BUDGETED

NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVE OR DENY VACATING A SECTION OF COUNTY ROAD 412 IN THE MORRISON CROSSROADS AREA
2. DISCUSS AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES & PROCEDURES HANDBOOK TO ADD A PET POLICY
3. DISCUSS APPROVING A RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM BUDGET UP TO \$500.

4. DISCUSS APPROVING THE MODIFIED 2022 CAT 963 TRACKLOADER \$414,927.14 LOAN WITH ALABAMA ONE CREDIT UNION FOR 5 YEARS AT 5.75% AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS
5. DISCUSS APPROVING A LETTER SUPPORTING THE RANDOLPH COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S EFFORTS TO ATTAIN A GRANT THROUGH THE ALABAMA STATE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS FOR THE 17TH ANNUAL FALL ON MAIN STREET FESTIVAL
6. DISCUSS ALLOWING AN EMPLOYEE TO ACCESS THE CATASTROPHIC SICK LEAVE BANK DUE TO A SERIOUS ILLNESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. MAY 26TH – COURTHOUSE & ANNEXES CLOSED FOR FED. MEMORIAL DAY
2. JUNE 2ND – COURTHOUSE & ANNEXES CLOSED FOR JEFF. DAVIS' BIRTHDAY

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Administrator
Engineer
Attorney
Sheriff
Other

CHAIRMAN LORENZO FOSTER

COMMISSIONER CHRIS LUNSFORD

COMMISSIONER LARRY ROBERTS

COMMISSIONER PAMELA JOHNSON

COMMISSIONER DEREK FARR

MOTION TO ADJOURN

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

This being May 27, 2025, it is a regular meeting. A quorum was duly established with the following present: Vice Chairman Derek Farr and Commissioners Chris Lunsford, Larry Roberts and Pam Johnson. Chairman Lorenzo Foster was absent.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-05A, honoring Dwight Akins on his retirement. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to deny the vacating of a section of County Road 412 in the Morrison Crossroads area. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to amend the personnel policies and procedures handbook to add a pet policy. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve a retirement incentive program budget up to \$500. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the modified 2022 CAT 963 trackloader \$414,927.14 loan with Alabama One Credit Union for five years at 5.75% and authorize the chairman and administrator to execute the documents. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve a letter supporting the Randolph County Chamber of Commerce's efforts to attain a grant through the Alabama State Council on the Arts for the 17th annual Fall on Main street festival. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to allow an employee to access the catastrophic sick leave bank, due to a serious illness. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Lunsford seconded the motion. All present voting "aye," Vice Chairman Farr declared the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.



Chairman Lorenzo Foster



Commissioner Chris Lunsford



Commissioner Larry Roberts



Commissioner Pamela Johnson



Commissioner Derek Farr



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05A HONORING EDWARD DWIGHT AKINS



WHEREAS on the 1st day of January 2011, Edward Dwight Akins began his career in the Randolph County Highway Department as a part-time employee and later became a full-time Equipment Operator I on the 1st day of February 2012; and,

WHEREAS on the 13th day of November 2017, after several promotions throughout the years, Mr. Akins moved to his current position of District 1 Crew Foreman; and,

WHEREAS he has served faithfully under County Engineers Burrell C. Jones IV and Justin D. Rush; and,

WHEREAS he has been a valued and dedicated employee to the Highway Department, County Commission, and to the citizens of Randolph County; and,

WHEREAS among his strong attributes are his knowledge of the department, loyalty, and dependability; and,

WHEREAS his absence will be greatly felt by the many friends he has made in his fellow employees and citizens over the years; and,

WHEREAS the County Commission wishes Mr. Akins many years of good health, happiness, and exciting adventures in the next chapter of his life; and,

WHEREAS on behalf of the citizens of Randolph County, the Randolph County Commission wishes to convey its utmost gratitude for his hard work, service, and dedication.

NOW THISEFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Randolph County Commission hereby honors Edward Dwight Akins for his 14 years of service to the citizens of Randolph County.

DONE THIS 27th day of May 2025.

Chairman Lorenzo D. Foster

Commissioner C.E. "Chris" Lunsford

Commissioner Larry J. Roberts

Commissioner Pamela B. Johnson

Commissioner Derek B. Farr





Randolph County Highway Department

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*Justin Rush, P.E.
County Engineer*

April 16, 2025

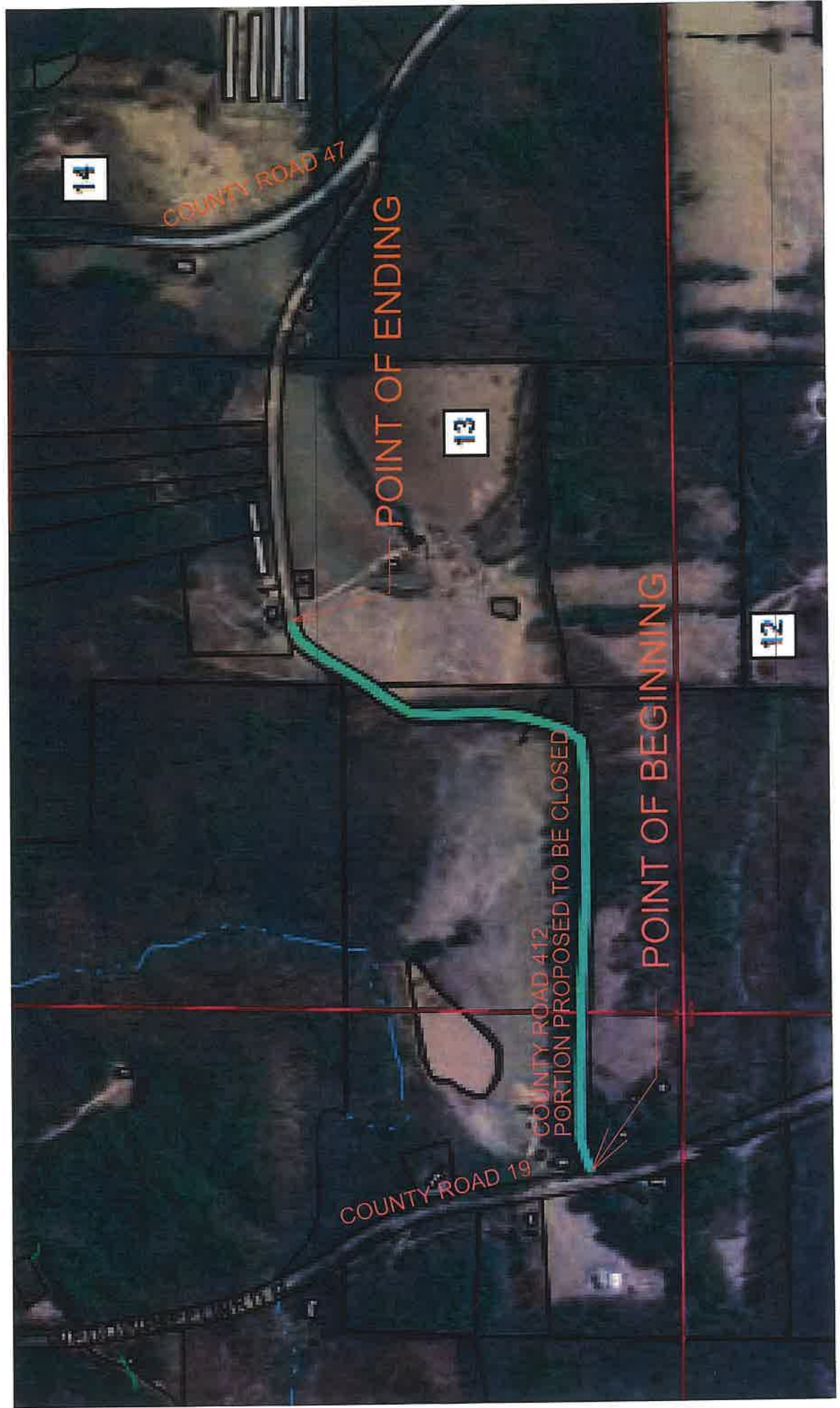
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Randolph County Commission is considering the feasibility of closing (vacating) a section of County Road 412, in the area Morrison Cross Roads being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Right of Way of County Road 19, as a point of beginning, thence run easterly along said County Road 412 (an unpaved roadway) a distance of 0.597 miles for a point of ending. Said roadway lying in the Section 20 and 21, Township 18 S, Range 11 E, Randolph, County Alabama.

A public hearing will be held in the Commission Annex located at 12 Broad Street East in Wedowee Alabama during the regular scheduled Commission Work Session on May 22, 2025, at 3:00 pm. Interested parties should contact Justin Rush, County Engineer, at (256) 357-2311.

COUNTY ROAD 412 PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE MAP



RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING SIGN-IN SHEET
Thursday, May 22, 2025

	Print Name	Address	Phone	Support	Oppose	Signature
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AMENDMENT TO THE RANDOLPH COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY & PROCEDURES HANDBOOK TO INCLUDE A PET POLICY

PET POLICY

Pets are not allowed in the workplace; however, service animals trained to perform a task because of a disability are permitted. Service animals must be housebroken and under the handler's control at all times. Service animals that are dangerous, repeatedly disruptive, and/or cannot be controlled may be asked to leave.



Randolph County

COMMISSION

ALABAMA

12 East Broad Street Southeast | P.O. Box 228 | Wedowee, Alabama 36278 | P: 256-357-4980

District #1

C.E. "Chris" Lunsford
592 Sunset Drive
Wedowee, AL 36278
256-357-6680

May 27, 2025

Alabama State Council on the Arts
201 Monroe Street, Suite 110
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

District #2

Larry Roberts
2748 County Road 134
Newell, AL 36280
256-201-9253

Re: 17th Annual Fall on Main Street Festival on October 25, 2025
Letter of Support

District #3

Pamela Johnson
3537 County Road 651
Roanoke, AL 36274
334-863-0883

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Randolph County Commission supports the efforts of Randolph County Chamber of Commerce applying for an Alabama State Council on the Arts Grant through Roanoke Rotary Club/Roanoke Rotary Charities.

District #4

Derek Farr
2000 Omaha Road
Roanoke, AL 36274
334-863-7233

This event helps promote diversity, teaches the history of Randolph County through artistic displays, live musical artist performances and firsthand crafts for the children. It provides opportunities for businesses throughout the county to promote themselves, welcomes tourists and surrounding counties to Randolph County. The experience of fun and fellowship has a substantial economic impact for the entire county and provides a rural county opportunity to experience new artistic creations and entertainment.

District #5

Lorenzo Foster
733 Auburn Avenue
Roanoke, AL 36274
334-338-4046

Thank You for your consideration of support to the Roanoke Rotary Charities in their application for funding the 17th Annual Fall on Main Street Festival hosted by the Randolph County Chamber of Commerce.

Sincerely,

Lorenzo D. Foster, Chairman