

THE SHELBY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**OCTOBER 20, 2025**

The Shelby County Commissioners met on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 8:00 a.m., and present were Commissioners Abel (Zoom), Lawson, Runnebohm, County Attorney and County Auditor.

MINUTES:

Motion to approve minutes from October 14, 2025, was made by Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

UTILITY REQUEST:

QC Communications is requesting a Right of Way Permit to install fiber new at the following location, near 1173 E 900 S, Flat Rock. Ben Taylor advised it is just west of State Road 9.

Motion to approve was made by Abel, seconded by Lawson, approved 3-0.

COURT SERVICES / REQUEST TO CLOSE OFFICE:

Alison Everhart is requesting to close their office on October 29, 2025, and December 10, 2025, from 1-4 for classes that will be put on by Ivy Tech. This training will be located at the Probation Office. Motion to approve was made by Lawson, seconded by Abel, approved 3-0.

EMA / RAVE MASS NOTIFICATION CONTRACT:

Denis Ratekin presented the Commissioners with a contract with RAVE Notification Center. Ratekin advised this is the mass notification system for Shelby County. This notification service is an alert you can receive on your phone to alert you of weather conditions and warnings. There are over 40 different options available for you to choose from. Ratekin advised there are lots of agencies that can use it, but do not. The five5year agreement till save the county around \$500.00 a year. Yearly would be \$10,004.28 per year, a total of \$50,071.39 . Commissioner Abel had a concern with the 5-yerar contract, with the way technology changes if doing a 5-year contract is good. Ratekin advised they keep up on all of the new changes and keep the program running. Motion to approve was made by Lawson to approve the 5-year contract, seconded by Abel, approved 3-0.

SHERIFF:

N/A

HIGHWAY:

Update on Bridge #146 on 1100 S between 275 & 200 East has begun work and the piling are in and work is progressing. The historical bridge is moving right along. Speedway Solar along with Dave O'Mara will begin work today on replacing/fixing approximately 13.4 miles. They have gone out and did door knockers on all residents that will be effected by this. Lawson wanted to state again that Speedway Solar is paying for all of this, no cost to the county. Runnebohm asked Danny Norris if he wanted to give any additional information on this. Danny advised Ben really did a good job of going over everything, he did want to advised is there is a text chain for anybody or if any residents wanting to be added to this text thread please let either Danny, Ben Taylor or the Commissioners know and they will be sure to get them added. Danny asked if they were ready to discuss the MOU today? Abel advised that after the meeting he was going to get in contact with legal and see where things stand on that and he would follow up with Danny this morning. Danny advised the only other project update is they are starting to finish up on the landscape screening and sending that over to the Planning Commission and then Jeff and I met on site last week and he understands what Jeff is looking for and should get everything closed out for the project around the end of the month. The only outstanding item being the road construction, which will go through November. Auditor Glackman wanted to ask a question about this project. What about the money going to the school? Norris advised that this money is tied to our tax abatement approval, so the way that the Shelby County rules are for taxes, we

have to file in 2026 and after it is approved, we'll be ready the first week or two of next year and then it will have to go for approval and then when it is approved we will issue our payment. It is within 5 business days to the school. Glackman advised according to the minutes back on July and the contract that's supposed to be that the money was supposed to be dispersed to the school and the county 90 days (should have said 120 days) after Speedway got their Commercial Certificate to start producing power which you guys did get the certificate on June 23, 2025. Norris advised that is definitely in there, there is another section that says we have to have our abatement approved as well, and because the County Council (Glackman advised it was approved) Norris asked our abatement and said we have not filed for anything in 2026 yet? Lawson asked if they could not file for their abatement until you started to pay taxes, is that correct? Glackman advised the abatement comes before any equipment is installed and you already have an abatement. This money was supposed to be to the county and the schools by well, 90 days is what the minutes state which would have been September 23, and here we are in October. Glackman advised that is what Norris stated in the meeting. Glackman advised again you already have the abatement, you just have not started using it because you have not had your equipment up. You guys will be taxed next year for the equipment and that is when your abatement will start. Kyle Barlow stated that is they way he understood it as well. Glackman advised there was no discussion that we had that Speedway was waiting on the abatement to take place before the school and county received their money. Speedway, filed for their abatement way back before the project even started and it will not start until the first year that you pay property taxes. You have been filing your CF-1's which is part of the abatement process. Glackman advised we will just need to have legal look into this and Speedway needs to look into this also. Glackman found the minutes where Norris advised the money was promised within 90 days of receiving their commercial operation permits which was approved on June 23, 2025, this was state by Norris at the July 14, 2025, Commissioner Meeting. Norris advised he understands what Glackman is saying, but he thought this was left that it would be tied to the Council approving our 2026 tax return. Glackman advised the abatement was approved before the project started by the Council, she advised she does not have that date with her. But to keep your abatement the company has to file the CF-1. Kyle Barlow advised he would like to have Jody Butts review this as far as the Council side. Blake Newkirk asked about the MOU and what it was for. Commissioner Abel advised they wanted something to clearly define that USI is the company that set forth the design standards and the standards to which the roads shall be constructed, reconstructed, rehabilitated, what roads they are, what stretches they are. They came up with benchmarks by which the contractor chosen by Speedway, which is Dave O'Mara, to do the project to those specifications that basically protects the county with regards to third-party contractors, not holding the county liable. Newkirk asked with it being a MOU they will directly be paying the contractors, correct? Abel advised that is correct. This is information only; no action was taken.

CLAIMS:

PAYROLL: Motion to approve payroll was made by Lawson, seconded by Abel, approved 3-0.

TRANSFER / ADDITIONALS:

N/A

MISCELLANEOUS:

There being no further business to come before board. A motion to adjourn was made by
Lawson, seconded by Runnebohm, approved 3-0.

AYE:

NAYE:

ATTEST:

AMY L. GLACKMAN
SHELBY COUNTY AUDITOR