



Dale County Commission

Commission Emergency Meeting Minutes - March 17, 2020

The Dale County Commission convened an emergency meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. The following members were present: Chairman Mark Blankenship; District One Commissioner Chris Carroll; District Two Commissioner Steve McKinnon; District Three Commissioner Charles W. Gary and District; and Four Commissioner Frankie Wilson.

Chairman Blankenship called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Commissioner Gary opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Carroll followed with prayer.

APPROVED – AGENDA

Commissioner Carroll made a motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, all voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVED – EMERGENCY CLOSING OF COUNTY BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS

Commissioner Gary made a motion to approve an Emergency Closing of County Buildings and Cessation of Operations Resolution. See Exhibit 1.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion, all voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVED – EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REGARDING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Commissioner Carroll made a motion to approve an Emergency Resolution Regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic. See Exhibit 2.

Commissioner McKinnon seconded the motion, all voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT – NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Blankenship announced that the next regular meeting of the Dale County Commission will be Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT: CONFIRMATORY STATEMENT

Commission McKinnon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

It is hereby ordered the foregoing documents, resolutions, etc., be duly confirmed and entered into the minutes of the Dale County Commission as its official actions.

Mark Blankenship, Commission Chairman

RESOLUTION NO.:

COUNTY OF DALE
STATE OF ALABAMA

2020 3-17-1

RESOLUTION OF THE DALE COUNTY COMMISSION

EMERGENCY CLOSING OF COUNTY BUILDINGS AND CESSATION OF OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, Dale County Commission is concerned for the welfare and safety of the citizens of the county as well as employees working in the courthouse and county buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Dale County Commission recognizes that there are emergency situations that necessitate the closing of the courthouse and county buildings and the cessation of certain county operations; and

WHEREAS, the Dale County Commission recognizes that emergency closings of the courthouse and county buildings must be in accordance with the Code of Alabama, Section 31-9-10 (b) (6); and

WHEREAS, the Dale County Commission recognizes that in most emergency situations it is not possible to convene an emergency meeting of the Commission; and

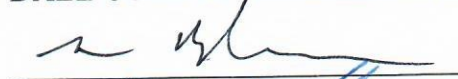


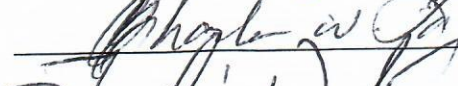

WHEREAS, the legislative body of the Dale County Commission recognizes that the Chairman of the County Commission is the appropriate County official authorized to act on behalf of the County in emergency matters;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Commission Chairman, after determining from reliable sources that an emergency exists, has the authority to close the Courthouse or other Dale County buildings and cease county operations in one or more offices or departments in the event that circumstances creating the emergency prohibit the County Commission from meeting to vote on the closing until such time that a meeting can safely be convened. If the Commission Chairman is unavailable, the following is the chain of command that is authorized to close the courthouse or other county buildings and cease county operations in emergency situations: Duly designated Acting Chairman, County Administrator, County Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission Chairman or alternate shall instruct County Commission Office personnel to inform all department heads, appropriate Court Officials and the public of such closing.

This resolution is hereby passed and approved by Dale County Commission in official session on this the 17th day of March, 2020.

DALE COUNTY COMMISSION:

	Mark Blankenship, Chairman
	Chris Carroll, District 1
	Steve McKinnon, District 2
	Charles W. Gary, District 3
	Frankie Wilson, District 4

Attest:


Cheryl Ganey, Administrator

RESOLUTION NO.:

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**COUNTY OF DALE
STATE OF ALABAMA**

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, Dale County Commission is concerned for the welfare and safety of the citizens of the county as well as County Employees and Public Officials and; and

WHEREAS, A Federal and State Emergency has been declared regarding the 2020 Coronavirus Pandemic also known as the Covid-19 Virus and

WHEREAS, The Dale County Commission does also declare that an emergency does exist in Dale County as a result of the Virus and

WHEREAS, the Dale County Commission recognizes that as the Pandemic progresses it is possible that public officials and members of the public and media may become ill or quarantined and unavailable to attend public meetings and

WHEREAS, the Dale County Commission recognizes that the current Pandemic emergency may prevent regularly scheduled meetings of the Commission called to act upon ordinary county business and

WHEREAS, the legislative body of the Dale County Commission recognizes that the Chairman of the County Commission is the appropriate County official to act on behalf of the County in conducting regular and ordinary business in times of emergency;


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Commission Chairman is hereby delegated with the authority- during the duration of this Covid-19 emergency- to act on behalf of the Commission when it cannot safely meet in carrying on the ordinary and regular business of the Commission which shall include, but not be limited to, the collection of funds, the payment of invoices and salaries, personnel matters, maintenance, County operations, County services and emergency management. Items of a permanent or substantial nature are reserved to the action of the Commission at regular or special meetings.

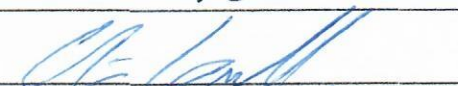
If the Commission Chairman is unavailable, the following is the chain of command that is authorized to conduct such county business on behalf of the Commission: 1. Duly authorized Acting Chairman, 2. County Administrator. All prior resolutions and actions of the Commission contrary to this directive are hereby rescinded or modified during the Covid-19 emergency.

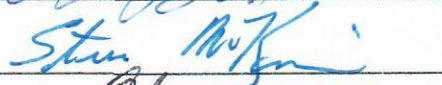
The purpose of this resolution is to clearly state that the Chairman or his alternate has the full and complete authority to act on behalf of the Commission in regard to the day to day operations of the Commission when the Commission itself is unable to do so because of the Pandemic emergency so declared by the Governor of Alabama and the President of the United States of America. The actions of the Chairman must be in accordance with State and Federal laws and any Orders of the Courts or Administrative Agencies and are subject to modification in the discretion of the Commission.

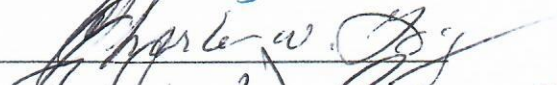
This resolution is hereby passed and approved by Dale County Commission in official session on this the 17 day of March, 2020.


DALE COUNTY COMMISSION:












Attest:



Sheila Glaze
Commission Clerk