



Dale County Commission

Commission Meeting Minutes – September 23, 2025

The Dale County Commission convened in a regular session Tuesday, September 23, 2025 the following members were present: Chairman Steve McKinnon; District One Commissioner Chris Carroll; District Two Commissioner Donald O. Grantham; District Three Commissioner Adam Enfinger; District Four Commissioner Frankie Wilson.

Chairman McKinnon called the meeting to order at 10:00am. Commissioner Carroll opened with prayer. Commissioner Grantham followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVED – AGENDA, MINUTES & MEMORANDUM OF WARRANTS

Commissioner Carroll made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Administrator's Contract and a change to FY25 Budget Amendments in lieu of FY24.

Memorandum of Warrants:

- Accounts Payable Check Numbers: 103393– 103464.
- Payroll Check Numbers: 155050 – 155050.
- Direct Deposit Check Numbers: 433918 - 434072.

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

APPROVED – TRAVEL

Commissioner Grantham made a motion to approve the following overnight travel:

- Greg Daniels – Road & Bridge – SWANA Conference – November 4-7, 2025.

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

APPROVED – PERSONNEL

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the following:

- Brandy Lavender – Reappraisal – Personal Property Appraiser I – Promotion.
- Austin Smith – Reappraisal – Real Property Appraiser I – Promotion.
- Bruce Taylor – Road & Bridge – Laborer – New Hire.

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

APPROVED – FY25 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Commissioner Grantham made a motion to approve amendments to the FY25 budget.
Exhibit 1.

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

APPROVED – COST OF LIVING RAISE - PERSONNEL

Commissioner Grantham made a motion to approve a 3% COLA for County personnel.
Exhibit 2.

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

APPROVED – FY26 REAPPRAISAL BUDGET

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the FY26 Reappraisal department budget.
Exhibit 3.

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

APPROVED – FY26 BUDGET

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the FY26 Dale County Commission budget.
Exhibit 4.

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

APPROVED – FY26 JUVENILE DETENTION

Commissioner Grantham made a motion to approve the FY26 Long Term Detention Subsidy Contract for juvenile detention. Exhibit 5.

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

APPROVED – CAPITAL ASSET

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve changes in capital assets. Exhibit 6.

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

APPROVED – SSUT RESOLUTION.

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve a resolution regarding Simplified Seller Use Tax (SSUT). See Exhibit 7.

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

APPROVED – DALE COUNTY FARM-CITY SPONSORSHIP

Commissioner Enfinger made a motion to approve a sponsorship of \$750.00 to the Dale County Farm-City program.

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

APPROVED – ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT

Commissioner Enfinger made a motion to approve a 3-year contract with the County's Administrator beginning November 1, 2025.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT – NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Chairman McKinnon announced that the next regular meeting of the Dale County Commission will be Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT: CONFIRMATORY STATEMENT

Commissioner Grantham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Enfinger 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.



Steve McKinnon, Chairman

FY 25 Budget Amendments

FUND	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT EXPENDITURE BUDGET	ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE	REVISED BUDGET
117 - RRR Gas Tax 4 cents	Expenditure increase from Fund Balance	\$1,279,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$1,299,000.00



Dale County Commission

202 Hwy 123 South, Suite C, Ozark, AL 36360

Commission Chairman

Steve McKinnon

Commissioners

<i>Chris Carroll</i>	District 1
<i>Donald O. Grantham</i>	District 2
<i>Adam Enfinger</i>	District 3
<i>Frankie Wilson</i>	District 4

County Administrator

Cheryl Ganey

September 23, 2025

Re: Across the Board Raise

Effective October 1, 2025 , the Dale County Commission grants a 3% cost of living adjustment to all County employees, full or part-time, except those in the General Excluded Service. Cost of living adjustments for elected officials shall be in accordance with the terms of the Omnibus Pay Bill.

Reappraisal Budget 2025-2026

Exhibit 3

		2025-2026	
113	Other wages and salary		336,715.92
114	Part-time salaries		-
116	Overtime		-
121	Retirement Contributions		47,070.79
122	Health Insurance		70,869.20
123	Life Insurance		359.52
124	FICA EMPLOYER'S SHARE		25,758.77
125	WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE		1,959.10
126	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE		-
127	Cost of Retiree Insurance		2,425.23
141	Dental		1,483.32
154	LEGAL SERVICES-(NEW FOR 2017)		12,000.00
156	EMPLOYEE DRUG TESTING		339.50
164	Auditing Personal Property Contract	Gov'tment Services	-
170	Training/education		2,000.00
171	Dues	5@100.00	500.00
179	Aerial Photography	3 yr = 160,414.20	53,471.40
181	Flagship / ESRI Services		46,200.00
199	Misc services by others	2 Day (BOE)	600.00
211	Office supplies		8,300.00
212	Fuel and lubricants	gasoline increases	4,000.00
224	Postage Machine Rent (new)		1,500.00
233	Repair and maintenance office equipment		1,500.00
234	Repairs and maintenance motor vehicles		1,500.00
241	Contract - Ingenuity software		39,200.00
241	Fox Hill Maintenance	1/3 of 3900.00	15,600.00
241	Fox Hill Email Charges	150.00 x 3	450.00
243	Utilities		2,700.00
251	Telephones		7,300.00
252	Postage		30,000.00
253	Advertising		550.00
255	Cellular Service		2,000.00
256	GPS Object Code		550.00
262	Mileage		2,500.00
264	Room and meals		12,000.00
265	Registrations and training		5,200.00
271	Insurance on building		2,700.00
272	Insurance on motor vehicles (2)		1,100.00
274	General Liability Insurance		3,000.00
409	Subscriptions		2,256.00
470	Minor office equipment & Furn. \$500-\$4999		4,000.00
541	Direct equipment and furniture		2,000.00
550-551	Purchase new vehicle		-
	Total Budget		751,658.75

DALE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2025-2026 Budget

001 GENERAL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	0.00
Estimated Revenues	9,315,546.84
Estimated Other Sources	<u>2,425,000.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	11,740,546.84
Expenditures	(11,500,546.83)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>(240,000.00)</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(11,740,546.83)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

050 SHERIFF'S SERVICE OF PROCESS FEE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	70,000.00
Estimated Revenues	75,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	<u>240,000.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	315,000.00
Expenditures	(385,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(385,000.00)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>(70,000.00)</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

110 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Beginning Fund Balance	345,000.00
Estimated Revenues	105,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	105,000.00
Expenditures	(450,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(450,000.00)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>(345,000.00)</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

111 GAS TAX FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	713,972.07
Estimated Revenues	1,936,320.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	1,936,320.00
Expenditures	(2,650,292.07)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(2,650,292.07)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(713,972.07)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

112 PUBLIC BUILDING ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	375,779.00
Estimated Revenues	2,127,321.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	2,127,321.00
Expenditures	(253,100.00)
Estimated Other Uses	(2,250,000.00)
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(2,503,100.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(375,779.00)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

113 PUBLIC HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	0.00
Estimated Revenues	175,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	175,000.00
Expenditures	0.00
Estimated Other Uses	(175,000.00)
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(175,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

116 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	300,000.00
Estimated Revenues	350,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	350,000.00
Expenditures	(461,125.00)
Estimated Other Uses	(188,875.00)
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(650,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(300,000.00)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

117 RRR GAS TAX FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	0.00
Estimated Revenues	981,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	300,000.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	1,281,000.00
Expenditures	(1,281,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(1,281,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

119 FIVE CENT GAS TAX FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	0.00
Estimated Revenues	300,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	300,000.00
Expenditures	0.00
Estimated Other Uses	(300,000.00)
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(300,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

151 AD VALOREM (JAIL TAX) FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	535,000.00
Estimated Revenues	215,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	215,000.00
Expenditures	(750,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(750,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(535,000.00)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

220 REBUILD ALABAMA

Beginning Fund Balance	3,914.95
Estimated Revenues	1,200,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	1,200,000.00
Expenditures	(1,203,914.95)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(1,203,914.95)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(3,914.95)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

221 FEDERAL

Beginning Fund Balance	790,000.00
Estimated Revenues	400,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	400,000.00
Expenditures	(1,190,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(1,190,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(790,000.00)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

301 2014 GENERAL OBLIGATION FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	0.00
Estimated Revenues	0.00
Estimated Other Sources	<u>188,875.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	188,875.00
Expenditures	(188,875.00)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(188,875.00)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

511 SOLID WASTE FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	113,371.69
Estimated Revenues	1,410,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	1,410,000.00
Expenditures	(1,503,371.69)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>(20,000.00)</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(1,523,371.69)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>(113,371.69)</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

512 LANDFILL FUND

Beginning Fund Balance	27,950.00
Estimated Revenues	400.00
Estimated Other Sources	<u>20,000.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	20,400.00
Expenditures	(48,350.00)
Estimated Other Uses	<u>0.00</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(48,350.00)</u>
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	<u>(27,950.00)</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>0.00</u>

298 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

Beginning Fund Balance	913,769.17
Estimated Revenues	0.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	0.00
Expenditures	(913,769.17)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(913,769.17)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(913,769.17)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

031 OPIOID

Beginning Fund Balance	75,000.00
Estimated Revenues	25,000.00
Estimated Other Sources	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	25,000.00
Expenditures	(100,000.00)
Estimated Other Uses	0.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(100,000.00)
Net RevenuesOther Sources less Expenditures/Other Uses	(75,000.00)
Ending Fund Balance	0.00

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES
LONG TERM DETENTION SUBSIDY CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT is made and entered into by and between Dale County (hereinafter called "County") and the Alabama Department of Youth Services (hereinafter called "DYS")

WITNESSETH

For and in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and other good and valuable considerations, the parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:

1. The purpose of this agreement is to plan for detention bed use for the juvenile court of County for the period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, to subsidize the detention of children in licensed juvenile detention facilities pursuant to Alabama Code §12-15-208, and to reimburse the county commission responsible for the cost of detention as required by Alabama Code § 12-15-215, as amended by Alabama Act 2024-305.
2. DYS shall pay for the benefit of County, a sum determined by the Youth Services' Board, said payments made as herein specified, for the purposes herein set out.
3. DYS shall also pay on behalf of County, the per diem expenses incurred for each day after DYS is required to accept children for commitment (i.e., after 12 business days), including, but not limited to, medical, dental, and mental health costs, as required by Alabama Code § 12-15-215, as amended by Alabama Act 2024-305. These said payments may be made for the benefit of County regardless of other payments made to or for the benefit of County.
4. Said payments shall be made for the benefit of County to the juvenile detention center of its choice.
5. County shall contract with the detention center of its choice for detention (and other) services, which contract shall be subject to review and approval of DYS.
6. County shall not reduce its level of support for the juvenile court or juvenile services and facilities presently supported by County on account of the credit for payments made pursuant to paragraph 2 of this agreement.
7. The distribution, expenditure, or application of payments made on behalf of the county pursuant to paragraph 3 of this agreement shall be at the sole discretion of County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, County and DYS has caused this agreement to be executed for each and in the name of each by the persons indicated below, in duplicate, either copy of which may be considered an original.

Indicate Detention Center chosen by County to receive funds below:

Southeast Alabama Diversion Center

Shirley McLean
Chairman, County Commission

Read &
Reviewed.
W.S.G.F.

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES

Steven P. Lafreniere
Executive Director

Legal Counsel (Approved as to form only)
Department of Youth Services

State of Alabama



KAY IVEY
GOVERNOR

STEVEN P. LAFRENIERE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Post Office Box 66
Mt. Meigs, Alabama 36057

September 5, 2025

To: Juvenile Court Judge and/or
Chief Probation Officer

From: LeTonya Bowman
Accounting Director

Re: Long Term Detention Subsidy Contract

Please find enclosed your long-term detention subsidy contract for BFY 2026 (October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026). Please complete the form by stating your choice under the highlighted line and have the form signed by the Chairman of the County Commission. The form should then be returned to me at the address listed below or emailed to letonya.bowman@dys.alabama.gov.

LeTonya Bowman
Department of Youth Services
P. O. Box 66
Mt. Meigs, AL 36057

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and if you need any additional information please contact me at (334) 215-3839.

County Engineer
Matthew W. Murphy, P.E.



Assistant County Engineer
Andrew J. Faulk, P.E.

DALE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 23, 2025
To: Dale County Commission
From: Matt Murphy
County Engineer
Subject: Request Surplus Equipment (to be sold on govdeals.com)

Asset No:	Description	Model/Serial Number
2426	2016 Ford F150	1FTEW1EFXGFB71272

Commission Approved:

Date

County Engineer
Matthew W. Murphy, P.E.



Assistant County Engineer
Andrew J. Faulk, P.E.

DALE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 23, 2025
To: Dale County Commission
From: Matt Murphy
County Engineer
Subject: Transfer of Asset

Requesting a transfer of asset from the Maintenance Department to the Road & Bridge Department:

Asset No:	Description	Model/Serial Number
4088	Simplicity Cobalt 28 hp EF1 Mower	4000734811

Commission Approved:

Date

**ENCOURAGING THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE ANY
LEGISLATIVE CHANGES THAT WOULD DISRUPT THE SSUT PROGRAM'S OPERATIONS
OR CALL THE PROGRAM'S CONSTITUTIONALITY INTO QUESTION**

WHEREAS, the Alabama Simplified Seller Use Tax (SSUT) Remittance Act, codified at Section 40-23-191 *et seq.*, Code of Alabama 1975, was enacted in 2015, establishing a process by which the State of Alabama collects use taxes from eligible sellers on behalf of Alabama consumers; and

WHEREAS, in *South Dakota v. Wayfair*, 585 U.S. 162 (2018), the United States Supreme Court held that the State may collect taxes from sellers that have a "substantial nexus" in the State, even where there is no physical presence, provided that the tax does not impose an undue burden on interstate commerce; and

WHEREAS, the SSUT program is designed to fall within the United States Supreme Court's guidelines and has been a model for other states across the country; and

WHEREAS, the SSUT program is now under attack by a small group of mayors who have been publicly criticizing the same program that, since its enactment, has provided more than \$4.2 billion in essential revenue to the Alabama General Fund, the Alabama Education Trust Fund, Alabama's 67 county governments, and Alabama's municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, individual counties and municipalities have no constitutionally valid authority to compel online retailers to collect use taxes from Alabama consumers; and

WHEREAS, challenges to and attacks upon the SSUT program place essential revenue at risk for all levels of government and, therefore, are a threat to our State's continued growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DALE COUNTY COMMISSION that the County Commission fully supports the current SSUT program as an efficient, constitutional, and operationally effective process for collecting use taxes due on behalf of Alabama consumers who utilize eligible sellers for delivery of taxable products into Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE DALE COUNTY COMMISSION that the revenue generated by the SSUT program will continue to support essential governmental services in the county.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE DALE COUNTY COMMISSION that the County Commission fully supports the use of population data to allocate the county portion of the revenue among our State's 67 county governments as is currently provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE DALE COUNTY COMMISSION that the County Commission strongly opposes any legislative efforts to alter the SSUT program in a way that would disrupt its operations or call into question its constitutionality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Dale County Commission has caused this resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chair, on this 23rd day of September, 2025.



Steve McKinnon, Chairman