

**MINUTES, LIMESTONE COUNTY COMMISSION, APRIL 6, 2026,
WORK SESSION MEETING**

The Limestone County Commission reconvened the meeting from March 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. today at the Clinton Street Courthouse Annex, 100 South Clinton Street, Athens, Alabama.

Present: David Ruf, Johnny Turner, Derrick Gatlin, and LaDon Townsend. Absent: None. Collin Daly, Chairman, presided.

Isaiah Scott introduced himself as the new Executive Director of Community Action Partnership. He also thanked the community for their continued support.

Craig Beasley informed the commission regarding the increase in library attraction.

Odis Nickoles expressed his concerns regarding overcrowding in the jail.

Chairman and the Commissioners presented a Proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. They also presented a Proclamation proclaiming April 12th through April 18th as Telecommunicator Week.

Items were discussed for today’s meeting.

Under “Under Contracts, Agreements, MOUs, and Grants,” it was noted to remove number six (6) “Approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Soule Co. (seller) and the Limestone County Commission (buyer) for property/building located at 300 E Elm St. in the amount of \$3,200,000.00” for the commission meeting agenda. It was also noted to add “Approve a contract with the vendor and Community Corrections for electronic monitoring pending County Attorney approval”.

It was noted under “Personnel, Policies, & Staffing Actions,” to take numbers one (1) through three (3) in one motion. It was also noted to take numbers five (5) and six (6) in one motion.

During the “Engineer’s Report,” Engineer Marc Massey stated that herbicide spraying has begun. He also stated that engineering will be patching and milling on Piney Chapel Rd. this week and will move to Blackburn Rd. in district 3 next week. Chairman stated that the property in consideration for the animal shelter is going before the city today for subdividing.

Under “Other Business,” Chairman, Commissioner Ruf, Commissioner Turner, and the County Engineer discussed the idea of an agreement with Athens Utilities and the LCWSA that they pay for the road, etc. that was cut during their services. They stated this would allow the repairs to be made up to standards.

Recessed at 9:41.

Collin Daly, Chairman

David Ruf, D-I Commissioner

Derrick Gatlin, D-III Commissioner

Johnny Turner, D-II Commissioner

LaDon Townsend, D-IV Commissioner