TUSCALOOSA COUNTY COMMISSION

MEETING

September 16, 2026

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY §
STATE OF ALABAMA §

This being the date and hour to which the Tuscaloosa County Commission adjourned; the County Commission met pursuant to such adjournment with Probate Judge Ward D. “Rob” Robertson, III presiding as Chairman. The following members were present:

Stan Acker
Jerry Tingle
Mark C. Nelson

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 2, 2026.

Commissioner Jerry Tingle moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Waste Management Contract.

Exhibit 9-1, Pages

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to go into Executive session at the conclusion of the regular meeting to discuss Contracts and Economic Development. The Executive session was certified to be appropriate by County Attorney, Robert Spence.

Commissioner Jerry Tingle moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve a three percent (3%) cost of living adjustment (COLA) for all full-time and part-time Tuscaloosa County Commission employees, effective October 1, 2026. It was noted that this marks the fortieth (40th) consecutive year that Tuscaloosa County Commission has been able to provide a cost of living adjustment to its employees.

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt the 2026 – 2027 fiscal year budget as presented by Chief Financial Officer April Hoffman.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve the installation of a mound sewer system for Braughton Park in the total amount of up to $45,500.00, with $27,761.09 coming from the Property Acquisition Fund and $3,238.91 coming from the District IV Community Development funds, as previously approved, and any remainder up to $14,500.00 coming from General Fund. County crews will be responsible for clearing the area.

Scott Anders, County Engineer, presented a request from Freedom Farms for the County to provide materials, hauling, and preparation of a building pad for a pavilion classroom. Commissioner Jerry Tingle moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, to approve the request. Following discussion, Commissioner Mark C. Nelson amended the motion to include that the project serves a public purpose and that Freedom Farms works with the State of Alabama to provide care and services for Foster Children. Commissioner Stan Acker further amended the motion to include Freedom Farms' 501(c)(3) status. Commissioner Jerry Tingle accepted the amended motion. The County Commission voted unanimously to approve the request.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt a resolution approving and accepting the preliminary plat submission for Greenleaf Subdivision, seven (7) lots on eighteen (18) acres in District 1.

Exhibit 9-2, Page

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt a resolution approving and accepting the preliminary plat submission for Scott Addition to McPherson Landing Road, one (1) lot divided into two (2) lots, on five (5) acres in District 3.

Exhibit 9-3, Page

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt a resolution approving and accepting the preliminary plat submission for Big Sandy Valley Park, two (2) lots on ten (10) acres, in District 3.

Exhibit 9-4, Page

County Engineer Scott Anders presented the preliminary subdivision, Resurvey of Lot 4 Waldrop Subdivision, in District 4 to the Commission for review. No action was taken.

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt a resolution accepting streets in Fields Crossing Phase Four, District 3 into County Maintenance.

Exhibit 9-5, Page

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to award the bid for USDA-RD-CF Project: Samantha Government Multi-Use Service Center, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder of four (4) bids received meeting specifications and requirements to Watkins Construction Company in the amount of $256,149.00, subject to USDA approval.

Exhibit 9-6, Pages

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to depart from the order of business set forth in the official agenda to discuss authorizing competitive procurement of additional civil work on the Samantha Government Multi-Use Service Center to use the remaining awarded funds.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to authorize Grants Administrator Lauren Benson to advertise for bids for the additional civil work needed for the Samantha Government Multi-Use Service Center, using the remaining project funds, subject to USDA approval.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve the warrants issued to cover Tuscaloosa County's expenditures for August 2026 in the amount of $11,333,664.52, as presented by Chief Financial Officer, April Hoffman.

Exhibit 9-7, Page

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to remove the following property from the list of structures deemed to be a public nuisance:

1. 16455 Searcy Rd., Northport, AL, 35475, District 1
   Parcel ID# 63-15-04-19-0-001-001.000

The County Commission was addressed by Sharon Turner and Bob Bagwell regarding election integrity in Tuscaloosa County.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve a funding request of $6,930.00 from District 1 Community Development funds to Walker Elementary School for playground mulch.

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve a funding request of $27,500.00 to Tuscaloosa County Board of Education for the purpose of replacing the Hillcrest High School sign.

The County Commission was addressed by Milam Cain regarding a road issue near Englewood Hulls Volunteer Fire Department. The Commission and the County Engineer are aware of the issue, and the road is scheduled to be repaired.

The Commission recessed into Executive Session and did not reconvene.

There being no further business to come before the Tuscaloosa County Commission, the meeting adjourned to October 7, 2026.

Ward D. “Rob” Robertson, III
Judge of Probate
Chairman Tuscaloosa County Commission

Stan Acker
Commissioner – District I

Jerry Tingle
Commissioner – District II

Mark C. Nelson
Commissioner – District III

ABSENT

Reginald Murray
Commissioner – District IV