

AGENDA
for the
Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
In the
East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission Conference Room
10:00 am
February 16, 2017

- I. Call to Order
- II. Verification of Quorum
- III. Old Business
 - A. Review minutes of January 19, 2017 MPO Meeting
 - B. Approval of minutes of January 19, 2017 MPO Meeting
 - C. TBA
- IV. New Business
 - A. Formal Amendments to the FY 16-19 TIP
 - B. Resolution #727 - Amends the FY 16-19 TIP
 - C. Review FY 16-19 TIP Spreadsheet and MPO Projects (Handout)
 - D. MPO Transportation Process Agreement Update
 - E. 2015 Traffic Count Map Update
 - F. CAC Appointments
 - G. Special Presentation - Greg Brown, BR Williams Trucking, Inc.
 - H. TBA
- V. Other Business
 - A. Status Report on other Local Projects from ALDOT East Central Region
 - B. Report on Urban Area Fixed Route and ADA Handicapped Transit Systems
 - C. Comments or Issues from Member Jurisdictions or Attendees
 - D. TBA
- VI. Next MPO Meeting – Thursday, March 16th, 2017
- VII. Adjourn

MINUTES
Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Thursday, January 19, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Those attending:

Michael Hosch	Calhoun County
Steve Williams	ALDoT, Met. Planning
Jack E. Plunk	EARPDC / MPO
Rodney McCain	Calhoun County
Len Hearron	ANAD
Steve Haynes	ALDoT, East Central Region
Steven Corley	ALDoT, East Central Region
Dustin Gillihan	ANAD
Mark Stephens	City of Jacksonville
Jerry Parris	City of Jacksonville
Fred Denney	City of Oxford
Johnny L. Smith	Mayor, City of Jacksonville
Jeff Clendenning	City of Weaver
Charles Markert	CDG Engineers
Shannon T. Jones	ALDoT, Calhoun County
Dawn Landholm	EARPDC
Wayne Willis	Mayor, City of Weaver
Chase Rich	ALDoT, East Central Region
Shane Brown	ALDoT, East Central Region

After roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present, Chairman, Mayor Wayne Willis called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS:

The minutes of the December 15, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion made by Mr. Jeff Clendenning and seconded by Mr. Jerry Parris. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Willis called for the Review of FY 16-19 TIP Spreadsheet and MPO Projects. Mr. Plunk gave the members a handout of the list of MPO projects to review. All projects highlighted in green have been authorized to move forward by the ALDoT. The projects in yellow are the projects that have been shifted from one FY to another with the additional 1% added to the allocation, projects highlighted in blue have had a recent up or down adjustment in allocation, and the projects highlighted in pink are ATRIP or ARRA funded. Mr. Plunk also

discussed projects that have started construction or will be let in the next couple of months. There have been no changes since last meeting, but during this past summer there were six projects that moved to CN.

Next, Chairman Willis continued by calling for the Request from the City of Weaver to Increase CN Allocation for CLT Resurface. Mr. Plunk explained that the City of Weaver received notice from the ALDoT that project #3 on the TIP was let for more than what was allocated, therefore the City is requesting an increase of \$85,000 for the CN allocation. A motion was made by Mr. Fred Denney to approve the increase with **Resolution No. 726**, which was seconded by Mr. Steve Haynes. Motion carried.

Chairman Willis continued with New Business by calling for discussion of MPO Transportation Process Agreement Update. Mr. Plunk explained that this is the agreement between EAC, ALDoT and each member government in the MPO. This is being updated because of the ALDoT office changes and name change, and the ALDoT is adding indemnity language to better protect the cities and counties from suit, and guidelines requiring ALDoT permission to release safety data to the public. All MPO members will be required to pass a resolution authorizing the elected official to sign the new agreement.

Next, Chairman Willis called for the discussion of 2015 Traffic Count Map Update. Mr. Plunk explained that the county map is updated with the new 2015 ADT's and if anyone would like a copy he could provide one.

Chairman Willis continued by calling for the discussion of CAC Appointments. Mr. Plunk called attention to the list of CAC members on page 4 in the agenda packet. He mentioned that this is a critical committee serving a necessary function to provide public review and input to the transportation planning process and projects of the MPO. He mentioned that several spots need to be filled as soon as possible and that he had sent letters to the new Mayors of Oxford and Anniston requesting new members.

Next, Chairman Willis called for the discussion of Planning for an Aging Population. Mr. Plunk gave the members an article titled "Maintaining Mobility in an Aging Population" from the Vital Aging Network. The article states that the Older Americans have a love affair with the automobile, a feeling that is closely tied to deeply held values of autonomy and independence. According to AARP, eighty-nine percent of older adults travel in private vehicles. As people age, a number of factors can threaten mobility, including impaired ability to drive, limited availability of alternative forms of transportation and unwillingness to be dependent upon others. By 2030, 25% of licensed drivers in the United States will be over the age of 65.

Mr. Mark Stephens with the City of Jacksonville explained that the City would like to change the scope of project # 40 to lengthen the distance of the resurface. Mr. Plunk explained according to our amendment process, anytime a project termini is changed there has to be a public review and comment period. He has started that process already by putting an ad in the Anniston Star and the formal public review meeting will be January 25th during the CAC meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman Willis called for the status report on other local projects from ALDoT 4th Division. Mr. Shannon Jones discussed the local construction projects which were provided in the agenda packet for review and Mr. Steven Corley discussed the ALDoT sponsored projects.

Mr. Plunk gave the report for the Fixed-Route ridership for the month of December. There were 9,459 passengers on the Fixed-Route during December. The final table in the agenda is the ADA Paratransit ridership for the month of December. There were 758 trips for the City of Anniston, 249 trips for the City of Jacksonville, no trips for the City of Weaver, 164 trips for the City of Oxford, 233 trips for the Urbanized part of the County and 232 trips for the Rural part of the County.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting of the MPO will be Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

News & Announcements

FY 16-19 TIP Amendments
2017-01-18

To provide opportunities for public review and comment on the Formal Amendments to the FY 16-19 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) the Calhoun MPO has scheduled a public meeting for 10 am, January 25th, EAC 3rd Floor Conference Room, 1130 Quintard Ave., Anniston, AL. 36202 (256) 237-6741

The MPO will accept comments until February 15th.

Formal Amendments

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JAN. 18th, 2017



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man charged injuring child

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according to the release.
Efforts to reach Etowah
County spokeswoman
Natalie Barton Wednesday
were unsuccessful.
Staff Writer Kirsten Fis-
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ESTATE AUCTION

Saturday February 4th, 10 A.M.
Knightens Crossroads
Piedmont, AL

Lavon F. Jordan Estate

**16.97 Acres +/-
Offered in Tracts**
Corner of Hwy 278 & Co Rd 19
Knightens Crossroads,

Tract #One

6.5 Acres +/- with 379' +/-
on US Hwy 278
Selling in One Tract

Tract #Two

**10.41 Acres +/-
Selling in one tract
off of New Liberty Road
(Roy Webb Community)**
All properties selling from Knightens Crossroads

TERMS: 15% down payment day
of sale, balance on or before 30 days

Ronnie Motes, ASL 1014

256-506-6400

**Southern Pride
Auctioneers**
Auctionzip.com/42532

Public Involvement Meeting

The Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is soliciting public review and comments on an amendment to the FY 16-19 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

CHANGE IN PROJECT TERMINI

From - #100064885 PE Resurface Church Ave. (From 11th St. to G. Douthit Dr.)
2.87 mi - \$1,104,814

To - #100064885 PE Resurface Church Ave. (From 11th St. to AL 21) 3.35 mi
\$1,104,814

Proposed changes for the TIP can be reviewed at any time previous to the meeting by visiting the commission website at: www.earpdc.org or during normal working hours at the offices of East Alabama Regional Planning Commission (EARPDC) at 1130 Quintard Ave., Suite 300, Anniston, AL.

In addition, the MPO has scheduled a staff supported Public Meeting in order to answer questions and solicit public comments on;

**Wednesday, January 25th
10 am
EARPDC Conference Room
1130 Quintard Avenue, Suite 300**

This is a handicapped accessible building and room.

The public is invited to call, email or drop by the EAC offices anytime previous to the scheduled meeting during normal working hours to obtain a copy of proposed changes to the FY 16-19 TIP. Comments can be delivered to the EARPDC address or mailed to; TIP Amendment, PO Box 2186, Anniston, AL 36202, or by email to; jack.plunk@earpdc.org. Or for more information call or contact: Jack Plunk, Principal Planner at (256) 237-6741, fax (256) 237-6763, TDD (800) 548-2547 or jack.plunk@earpdc.org. The MPO will accept comments until February 15th.

Should any member of the public require any special transportation or accommodation in order to attend on January 25th, please contact: EARPDC-ADA Coordinator Diane McClellan, at (256) 237-6741, Ext. 149, no later than 48 hours in advance of this meeting.

Anniston Star 1/19/17

AGENDA

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

of the

CALHOUN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission 3rd Floor Conference Room

10:00 am
January 25, 2017

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Old Business
 - a. Review of CAC minutes from November 16, 2016
 - b. Approval of CAC minutes from November 16, 2016
 - c. CAC Appointments and Welcome of New Members
 - d. TBA
4. New Business
 - a. Open **Public Meeting** to Accept TIP Amendment Comments (Handouts)
 - b. Review FY 16-19 TIP Update (Handout)
 - c. AL 21 Speed Study and Recommended Changes
 - d. Rail Activity and Service (Handout)
 - e. Article – Adapting Communities for an Aging Population (Handout)
 - f. TBA
5. Other Business
 - a. Other Current Transportation Projects
 - b. Anniston Express and ADA Para-Transit Ridership
 - c. Next CAC Meeting
 - d. TBA
6. Solicit TIP Amendment Comments and Close **Public Meeting**
7. Adjourn

SIGN-IN SHEET

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

of the

CALHOUN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

10:00 am

January 25th, 2016

NAME

CITY

EMAIL

Jerry Lewallen	Weaver
Jan E. Stum	EAC/MPO
MA MITT Kimbely	Anniston
Marshall Shady	Oxford
Miller Parnell	Anniston
NELSON COLEMAN	J'VILLE
Dennis Reaves	CAL CO
Byford Barber	OXFORD
Brandon Greenman	Oxford
Phillip Keith	Anniston
Frank Thomas	WEAVER
David Thompson	JSU
CHRIS GANN	CALHOUN
Jamie Ethredge	Jacksonville

Two Proposed Amendments for FY 16-19 TIP

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2. ADD NEW PROJECT

#100066466 (PE) Resurfacing I-20 (MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO
179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$250,000

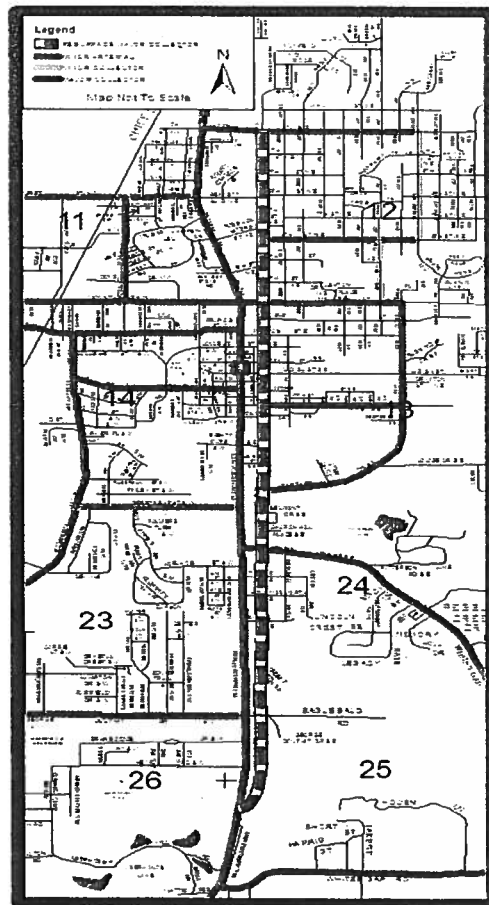
#100066469 (CN) Resurfacing I-20 MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO
179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$10,540,800

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New Project Description

Project Description: **Resurface Church Avenue (11th St. to AL 21)**
 Type: Resurface Major Collector
 Length: 3.35 mi
 ALDoT ID: PE #100064885 CN #100064886
 Data File ID: TIP 11
 Project Number: N/A
 Program: Surface Transportation Program
 Sponsor: City of Jacksonville

Project Phase	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	TOTAL
Preliminary Eng.		\$118,687			\$118,687
Right of Way					\$0
Utilities					\$0
Construction			\$1,104,814		\$1,104,814
Total Cost/Year		\$118,687	\$1,104,814		\$1,223,501
Federal Funds		\$94,950	\$883,851		\$978,801
State Funds					
Local Funds		\$23,737	\$220,963		\$244,700

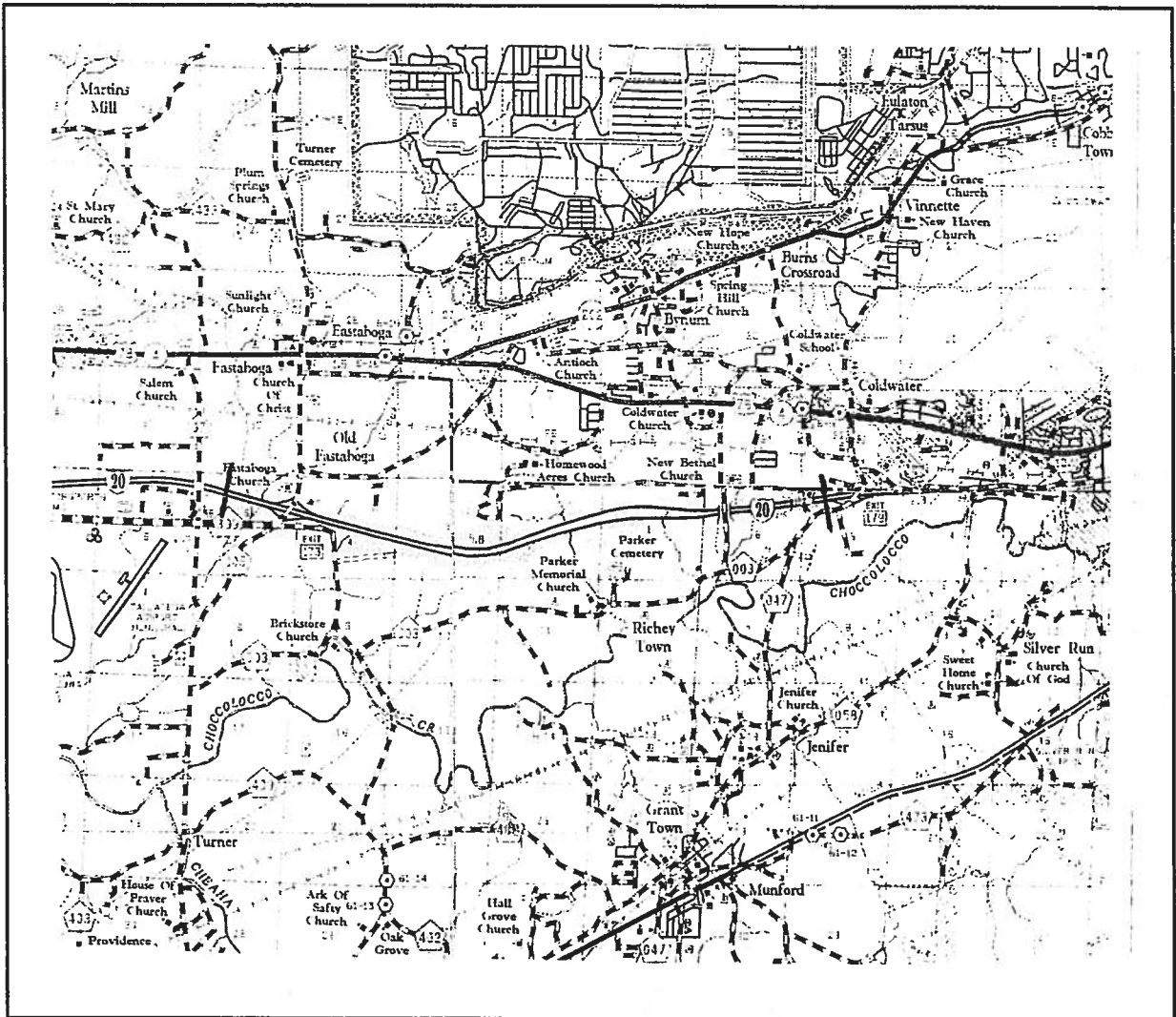


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RESOLUTION # 727

WHEREAS, the Calhoun Area MPO has adopted its FY 16-19 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) on July 16, 2015 with Resolution #698; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jacksonville and the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) have requested a Formal Amendment to the FY 16-19 TIP as described below; and

1. City of Jacksonville - Change in Project Termini

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2. ALDOT – Add New Project

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\$250,000

#100066469 (CN) **Resurfacing I-20** MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO 179.150 (County Line Rd. West)
\$10,540,800

WHEREAS, the MPO has advertised for and solicited public comments and input and in addition has offered a public meeting for review and comment on January 25, 2017, and

WHEREAS, no comments have been received.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Calhoun Area MPO, that the FY 16-19 TIP be amended to as described above.

Passed and adopted this the _____ day of February, 2017.

Mayor Wayne Willis, Chairman
City of Weaver

ATTEST:

Jack E. Plunk, Principal Planner
East Alabama Regional Planning and
Development Commission

2/8/17

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

<u>PROJECT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
NHF-0901(500)	Base and pave of Eastern Bypass from Lake Yahou to US 431	Punch list
STPAA-HSIP-0004(542)	Resurface SR 4 (US 78) from MP 166.7 to MP 171.1	Stripe & cleanup
STPOA-0815(251)	Bicycle & Pedestrian Imp. at 14 th , 11 th , 18 th , and Cobb Ave.	Signs
ACOA59378-ATRP(010)	Signal Improvements in Jville Along SR 21 at 10 intersections	Work to begin soon Plan adjustments due to utilities
STPOA-0814(251)	Chief Ladiga Trail Resurfacing City of Weaver	Sidewalk work & replacing ballards
STPAA-NR13(948)	Curb Ramp Installations in Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne, Randolph, And Talladega Counties on SRs	Approximately 35% complete

Fixed-Route Ridership									
	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	FY 10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14	FY 14-		
Oct	6,837	6,543	7,850	9,757	11,074	10,266	11,3		
Nov	5,834	5,680	7,714	9,178	10,168	9,690	9,6		
Dec	5,923	6,545	8,333	9,439	9,069	9,610	10,6		
Jan	6,510	6,030	7,514	9,458	10,188	9,240	10,4		
Feb	5,441	6,121	8,050	9,687	10,002	10,393	8,8		
Mar	5,863	7,480	9,064	10,131	10,117	11,245	9,4		
Apr	5,990	7,108	8,245	9,466	10,261	11,463	9,8		
May	5,827	6,843	8,650	9,787	10,258	11,512	9,5		
Jun	6,620	7,609	9,326	10,234	9,781	10,747	10,4		
Jul	6,692	7,714	9,358	9,821	10,136	11,707	10,5		
Aug	6,088	8,282	11,080	11,209	11,488	12,075	10,2		
Sep	6,229	8,190	10,218	9,573	9,756	11,370	9,6		

2016 Avg./Mo. 728 237 1 200 410

ADA Paratransit Ridership

Fiscal Year 2016-2017	Anniston	Jacksonville	Weaver	Oxford	Section CC Urk
October	778	257	0	168	279
November	773	281	0	248	323
December	758	249	0	164	233
January	749	212	0	166	263
February					
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August					
September					
	3058	999	0	746	1098
2017 Avg./Mo.	765	250	0	187	275

County engineers group supports \$1.2B proposal to improve roads

By LACI BRASWELL
Home staff writer

Recently, the Association of County Engineers of Alabama (ACEA) voted to support a \$1.2 billion bond issue the Association of County Commissions of Alabama (ACCA) is seeking legislative approval for in the 2017 legislative session.

The proposal, approved at the ACCA Annual Legislative Conference late last year, calls for a 3-cent per gallon increase on gasoline and diesel fuel that would

expire when the bonds are repaid.

The \$1.2 billion total will be divided up amongst all 67 counties based, in part, on each county's population. ACCA Executive Director Sonny Brasfield said the minimum allocation for each county under the proposal would be \$10 million.

The revenue from the bonds can only be spent on road and bridge projects. It cannot be spent on salaries, equipment or any construction other than roads and bridges.

"For a person driving about 20,000 miles per year, which is a high estimate, this increase would cost about \$25 a year. That's just a few cents over two bucks a month," Brasfield said. "It doesn't seem like much, but that money will greatly improve the lives of Alabamians who drive on poor roads and bridges every day."

ACEA President David Palmer said the plan will leave a long lasting, positive impact on all counties in the state. "I believe in value and

return on investment," he said. "If we don't invest in our infrastructure now, we will pay the price later. It will be less expensive to fix our roads and bridges now than to try and reclaim them after it's too late and the irreversible damage is done."

County engineers are working to develop county specific maps that detail where the bond issue will positively affect their individual counties. Residents who are interested in sharing their most pressing road and bridge needs are encouraged to fill out

a short survey at www.drivealabarabout.com/survey.

About The ACC
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Talladega County

Sheriff's deputies investigating several burglaries

By CHRIS NORWOOD
Home staff writer

Talladega County Sheriff's deputies are investigating four different burglaries in different parts of the county, according to incident and offense reports available Tuesday.

The first of these, oddly enough, was a break-in at a drop-off building owned by the Renfro Volunteer Fire

Lane near Sylacauga between 4 p.m. Feb. 10 and 1 a.m. Feb. 11. There is no evidence of forced entry, and the only items reported stolen by the victim are five incandescent light bulbs valued at \$10. "They're just regular light bulbs, nothing special about them," Jones said.

The next residential break-in was at an uncoccupied house on 9400 block of Plant Road in

at \$500, a herringbone necklace valued at \$200, a NuVision tablet valued at \$179, a 7-inch tablet valued at \$80, a Kodak digital camera valued at \$150 and a pair of Nike Air Force Ones valued at \$125. There are no witnesses or suspects in this case.

The most recent burglary was reported Monday but probably occurred between Feb. 2 and Feb. 4. An Al. 120

before the break-in was reported. Damage to the floors in the house are estimated at \$3,000.

There is a suspect in this case, Jones said.

Anyone with information on any of these incidents should contact the Talladega County Sheriff's Office at 256-761-2141.

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Call Courtney Acosta
Hospice Consultants
at 256.668.1111
or The Comfort Center
at 256.761.1111

This morning the Alliance for Alabama's Infrastructure will be launching its new informative video which lays out the need for investing in our state's infrastructure. This visual media resource provides perspectives on why we should enhance our state's infrastructure by promoting public safety, economic growth and the improvement of the quality of life for all Alabamians. You can find the link to the video on the AAI website below:

<http://alabamaroads.org/#value-section>



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