

LWV of East Alabama — Observer Corps Report

Agency: Lee County Commission Date: April 30, 2018 Time: 5:00 p.m. CDT

Location: 215 South 9th Street, Opelika, AL 36801

Website: www.leeco.us/index.php

Type of meeting: Regular

Staff present (Approx. Number): Five (5)

Media coverage? Yes

Number in Audience: 13–20

Facilities (Identify Inadequacies, if any (e.g., audio-visual, capacity, etc.): All in good condition.

FEATURE EVALUATED	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Did meeting start on time?	X		
Were all members present?		X	One Commissioner missing
Were members attentive?	X		
Did the members appear to have done their "homework"?	X		
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
Was the agenda online at least 24 hrs. before?		X	
Did agenda items clearly describe what was to be discussed?	X		
Was there adequate opportunity for public input?	X		Limit is three (3) Minutes, but time exceeded considerably to address new bridge construction. Courtesy extended to all interested persons concerned with road construction. (See below).
Was there the appearance that some action items were discussed in closed rather than open session?	X		Items on Consent Agenda.
Was background information available to public?		X	

Were any issues on the agenda relevant to any LWV state or local positions or programs? No.

Do you recommend local League action on any of these issues? Yes ___ No XX

Other Concerns (If any): Item # "b" under Old Business – Bridge Project on Lee Road 65. Project has been under discussion approximately four (4) years. Plans are nearing completion and ready for bidding. Construction of bridge on dirt road is estimated to commence in January 2019, and take several months to complete, including adding time as construction goes into rainy season. Current primary eastbound connection is to Lee Co. Road 188. Only option during construction appears to be northbound Lee Co. 66, extending commuting time considerably. Two additional concerns: 1). right-of-way width due to logging truck traffic and speeding by same. 2). Emergency service access.

Observer: BOU

Date Submitted: MAY 12, 2018

Report should be emailed to lwveastal@gmail.com along with the URL of the meeting's agenda and supporting documents. Thank you!