

**MINUTES
CHEATHAM COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 15, 2014**

BE IT THEREFORE REMEMBERED, That the Cheatham County Legislative Body met in the General Sessions Courtroom, Ashland City, Tennessee, on September 15, 2014 in Regular Session. County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton presided. County Mayor Mr. David McCullough and County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh attended.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BETTY RAMSEY	DONNIE JORDAN
GARY BINKLEY	WALTER WEAKLEY
ANN JARREAU	DIANA PIKE
TIM WILLIAMSON	EUGENE O. EVANS, SR.
DALE MCCARVER	SHANON PICKARD
CONNIE MAYO	JIMMY HEDGEPATH

PUBLIC FORUM: County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton opened Public Forum at 7:00 P.M.

Ms. Brandi Ghergia, Membership and Communications Coordinator for the Cheatham County Chamber of Commerce, invited all Commissioners and the Mayor to eat dinner at Vuoloco's Pizzeria on October 20, 2014 before the Commission meeting.

Mr. Lucas Winstead, Harpeth Middle School Principal, introduced Mr. Scott Adkins his Assistant Principal. Mr. Winstead informed the Commission of the new achievements at Harpeth Middle School.

Mr. Jeff Bennett, Communications Director for Cheatham County Board of Education, recognized September Employees of the Month: Joy Daniel, Teresa Knuckles, Melissa Hardesty, Crystal Eason, Nicole Johnson, Cindy Weakley, Sherry Bagwell, Donna Jacobs, David Casesa, Steve Buchanan, Carolyn Stewart and Daniel Newton.

Mr. Jonathan Coulon, Narcotics and Special Operations Lieutenant for the Cheatham County Sheriff's Office, announced the Cheatham County Community Enhancement Coalition and the Drug Enforcement Administration is holding a drug take-back event at Walgreens in Ashland City on Saturday, September 27th from 10:00A.M. - 2:00P.M.

Public Forum closed at 7:07 P.M.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Sheriff Mr. Mike Breedlove at 7:07 P.M.

Invocation was offered by Mr. Ronnie Barron.

Chief Deputy Clerk Ms. Abby Short called the roll. There being Twelve Commissioners present, County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton declared a Quorum. See Resolution 1.

County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton asked for nominations for the purpose of electing a Chairperson for the Legislative Body for Fiscal Year September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Eugene O. Evans, Sr. to nominate Mr. Donnie Jordan for Chairperson of the County Legislative Body.

Mr. Dale McCarver called for all nominations to cease.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 2.

Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan assumed the chair.

Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan asked for nominations for the purpose of electing a Pro Tem for the Legislative Body for Fiscal Year September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

Motion was made by Ms. Betty Ramsey, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to nominate Mr. Gary Binkley for Pro Tem of the County Legislative Body.

Mr. Walter Weakley and Mr. Eugene O. Evans, Sr. called for all nominations to cease.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 3.

Motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the Agenda for the September 15, 2014 Legislative Body Meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to amend the Agenda by adding the following under Any Other New Business:

Resolution to approve an operational change in the VSO Office
Resolution to create a rule for campaign signs on Cheatham County Property.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 4.

Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Betty Ramsey to amend the Agenda by adding the following under the Budget Segment:

Budget Amendment for the General Purpose School Fund

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 5.

Motion was made by Ms. Connie Mayo, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve as amended the Agenda for the September 15, 2014 Legislative Body Meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 6.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the Minutes from the August 18, 2014 Regular Session Commission meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 7.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough presented Veterans Service Officer Mr. Robert Counter a proclamation from the Office of Mayor to recognize and proclaim September 19, 2014 as POW/MIA Recognition Day.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNTY MAYOR- MR. DAVID MCCULLOUGH: County Mayor Mr. David McCullough reported the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) account balance was \$121,601.32.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough informed the Commission to contact his Office to obtain an ID Badge.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough requested the Tech Committee to consider a new County Website.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayor to approve the appointments of Mr. Donnie Jordan, Ms. Betty Ramsey, Mr. Tim Williamson, and Mr. Shanon Pickard to the Budget Committee.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 8.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to approve the appointments of Ms. Connie Mayo, Judge Mr. Phil Maxey and Genealogist Ms. Charmaine Jamieson to the Public Records Committee.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 9.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the appointment of Mr. David Clark to the Port Authority for a term ending June 30, 2016.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 10.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough invited questions.

DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS- MS. TARA PATTERSON: Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayor to suspend the Regular Rules of Order at 7:29 P.M. for the purpose of voting on the budget amendments for the General Purpose School Fund.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 11.

Ms. Connie Mayo asked the School Director of Finance Mr. Daniel Henderson what was included in Other Charges listed on the budget amendment. Mr. Henderson stated he did not have that information with him.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough presented, motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to approve the budget amendments for the General Purpose School Fund.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 12.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Gary Binkley	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	Diana Pike	Yes
Tim Williamson	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Yes
Dale McCarver	Yes	Shanon Pickard	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

Regular Rules of Order resumed at 7:40 P.M.

OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

COUNTY CLERK – MS. TERESA GUPTON: Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to suspend the Regular Rules of Order at 7:41 P.M. for the purpose of voting on the Resolution Abolishing the Wheel Tax Decal in Cheatham County.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 13.

After Discussion, County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton presented, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Betty Ramsey to approve the Resolution Abolishing the Wheel Tax Decal in Cheatham County.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 14.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Gary Binkley	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	Diana Pike	Yes
Tim Williamson	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Yes
Dale McCarver	Yes	Shanon Pickard	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

Regular Rules of Order resumed at 7:57 P.M.

County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton stated the County Public Official's Bonds have been recorded in the Register of Deeds Office and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.

SHERIFF – MR. MIKE BREEDLOVE: Mr. Breedlove stated he would keep the Commission informed on the status of crime in Cheatham County.

Mr. Breedlove stated all Deputies have been sworn in and over \$262,000.00 of stolen property has been recovered.

Mr. Breedlove announced the Cheatham County Community Enhancement Coalition and the Drug Enforcement Administration is holding a drug take-back event at Walgreens in Ashland City on Saturday, September 27th from 10:00A.M. - 2:00P.M.

Mr. Breedlove invited all the Commissioners to tour the County Jail.

COUNTY SERVICES

UT EXTENSION- MR. RONNIE BARRON: The Extension highlights were included in the packet. Mr. Barron invited all Commissioners to the Jason Barnett Farm in Pleasant View for the annual Tobacco Patch Breakfast on Saturday, September 20th at 7:00 A.M.

VETERANS SERVICES – MR. ROBERT COUNTER: Veterans Service Officer Mr. Robert Counter announced the loss in death of a Veteran Mr. Herb Allen. Mr. Counter stated the Veterans Affairs Town Hall Meeting is on September 22nd from 1 P.M. until 3 P.M. at the Nashville Medical Center. Mr. Counter stated the part-time position in the Veterans Service Office is currently being advertised.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to suspend the Regular Rules of Order at 8:07 P.M. for the purpose of voting on the Resolution approving an operational change in the Veterans Service Office.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 15.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to approve an operational change in the Veterans Service Office.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 16.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Gary Binkley	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	Diana Pike	Yes
Tim Williamson	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Yes
Dale McCarver	Yes	Shanon Pickard	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan stated that before this resolution can be signed County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS) must review the Resolution.

Regular Rules of Order resumed at 8:10 P.M.

COUNTY ATTORNEY- MR. MICHAEL BLIGH: Mr. Gary Binkley questioned if the Commissioners were allowed to contact the County Attorney.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan stated the questions should be directed to the Chairman in return the Chairman would contact and ask the Attorney.

STANDING COMMITTEES

BEER BOARD – They did not meet.

EDUCATION – They did not meet.

EMERGENCY SERVICES- They did not meet.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - They did not meet.

CALENDAR, RULES AND NOMINATING – They did not meet.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE- They did not meet.

ROAD AND BRIDGE – They did not meet.

CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT – They did not meet.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to suspend the Regular Rules of Order at 8:11 P.M. for the purpose of voting on a Resolution creating a rule for campaign signs on Cheatham County Property.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 17.

Mr. Dale McCarver questioned the legality of this resolution. County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh requested time for research before giving a legal opinion.

Mr. Gary Binkley stated the urgency was the General Election coming up in November.

Mr. Dale McCarver asked who would enforce the issue. Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan stated he assumed the Election Commission.

Mr. Gary Binkley stated he spoke with the Election Commission and they did not see a problem and they would include the rules in the packets for all candidates.

Question called by Mr. Gary Binkley.

County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh stated School Property is under a different category. His concern was if the Commission had jurisdiction over School Property.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan stated in the event the Resolution is unlawful the County Attorney would have the right to remove it.

County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh stated he did not have the authority to override what the Commission passes, if found unlawful it would go before the commission.

Question called by Mr. Gary Binkley.

Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to create a rule for campaign signs on Cheatham County Property.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 18. 1 No -Dale McCarver

Regular Rules of Order resumed at 8:30 P.M.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Dale McCarver to approve the following recognitions:

Special Recognition *Mr. David Isherwood*

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 19. (Individual resolution 20).

NOTARIES: Motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to approve the following applicants for Notary Public Commission:

<i>Amanda R. Batts</i>	<i>Amy Renea Berman</i>	<i>Tiffany Ann Brooks</i>
<i>Lindsay H. Elliot</i>	<i>Melissa Langley-Eslick</i>	<i>Sue E. Proctor</i>
<i>Terri Sellers</i>	<i>Amanda Jean Waldron</i>	<i>Janine R. Whited</i>

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 21.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS

Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan handed the Commissioners a folder with a list of all committees and requested the Commissioners to list their name next to the committees they want to serve.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan stated he wanted to appoint a new special committee that reviews improvements of businesses trying to locate in Cheatham County.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan and Mr. Dale McCarver requested the following be reviewed by Committees:

Education Committee- New Bus Garage
Capital Improvements- Highway Garage, County Vehicle Storage and County Officials desired space needs
Calendar and Rules- Nepotism Laws and Salary Study
Tech Committee- Technology Budget, new County Website and the creation of viewing County records online

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan stated he would like to rescind the Oversight Committee.

Mr. Dale McCarver stated that an online viewing of the Commission meeting is in the works with I-24 Exchange.

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to adjourn at 8:47 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 22.