

**MINUTES**  
**CHEATHAM COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**September 18, 2017**

BE IT THEREFORE REMEMBERED, That the Cheatham County Legislative Body met in the General Sessions Courtroom, Ashland City, Tennessee, on September 18, 2017 in Regular Session. Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan and County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton presided. County Mayor Mr. Kerry McCarver and County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh attended.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Sheriff Mr. Mike Breedlove at 6:02 P.M.

Invocation was offered by Mr. Ronnie Barron.

County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton assumed the Chair.

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

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

County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton asked for nominations for the purpose of electing a Chairperson for the Legislative Body for Fiscal Year September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018.

Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to nominate Mr. Donnie Jordan for Chairperson of the County Legislative Body.

Mr. Tim Williamson and Ms. Connie Mayo 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, 2017 through August 31, 2018.

Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to nominate Mr. Tim Williamson for Pro Tem of the County Legislative Body.

Mr. Walter Weakley and Ms. Diana Lovell called for all nominations to cease.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 3.

Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Betty Ramsey to approve the Agenda for the September 18, 2017 Legislative Body Meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 4.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Diana Lovell to approve the Minutes for the August 21, 2017 Legislative Body Meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 5.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan stated the packets will continue to be delivered by the Sheriff's Office if you wish to receive the packet by email confirm with the Clerk's Office.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan announced Mr. David Bibee's resignation and explained the process for filing the Vacancy. The deadline for an applicant to submit interest is October 5<sup>th</sup>. The County Commission will hold a Special Called Meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. in the General Sessions Courtroom to interview and fill the Vacancy.

COUNTY MAYOR- MAYOR MR. KERRY MCCARVER: Mayor Mr. Kerry McCarver, Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan and Sheriff Mr. Mike Breedlove presented a Special Recognition to Mr. Ken Whittaker.

Mayor Mr. Kerry McCarver reported the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) account balance is \$105,381.32.

County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver presented, motion approved by Ms. Diana Lovell, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to approve the amendment to the agreement for the provision of inmate/detainee health services with QCHC through September 30, 2017 and to approve the new contract with QCHC for the provision of inmate/detainee health services for October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 6.

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

County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver presented, motion approved by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Eugene O. Evans, Sr. to approve the Tennessee Department Of Transportation Grant Contract for Litter Removal for 2017-18.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 7.

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

County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver invited everyone to attend a meeting with Tennessee Department of Transportation on October 3, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at Sycamore High School Cafeteria to discuss the Right-of-Way acquisition and relocation procedures for Federal Project #STP-49(29), State Project # 11008-2226-14 in Cheatham County.

County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver invited everyone to attend a Work Session concerning the Cheatham County Jail on September 20, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. in the General Sessions Court Room.

County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver stated his office was continuing to gather and compare information on constructing a new County Services Building at the Library location or to purchase and renovate the Sycamore Square property.

County Mayor Mr. Kerry McCarver invited questions. Mr. Gary Binkley requested an update on the cleanup of flood properties. Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver stated they were continuing to move forward the process is just slow going.

DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS- MS. SANDRINE BATTIS: Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to authorize the following budget amendments for the County General Fund:

<i>South Cheatham Library</i>	\$ 25.00
<i>South Cheatham Library</i>	\$ 183.50
<i>County Clerk</i>	\$ 14,021.16
<i>Sheriff/Building Maintenance</i>	\$ 4,746.61
<i>Animal Control</i>	\$ 901.00
<i>Juvenile</i>	\$ 328.00
<i>Jail</i>	\$ 68.50

Cheatham County Library \$12,500.00  
 Highway and Street Capital Projects \$ 236.32  
 Jail \$48,000.00  
 Jail \$96,250.00

Budget Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent  
 Funding Source: Various

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 8.

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

Budget Committee recommended motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to authorize the following budget amendment for the Highway/Roads Fund:

Capital Outlay \$ 392,000.00

Budget Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent  
 Funding Source: Undesignated Fund Balance

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 9.

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

Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Ms. Diana Lovell to authorize the following budget amendments for the General Purpose School Fund:

Regular Instruction Program \$ 2,214.69  
 Other Student support \$ 7,047.14  
 Vocational Education Program \$124,999.00

School Board Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Absent  
 Education Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Absent  
 Funding Source: Various

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 10.

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

Motion was made by Ms. Diana Lovell, to approve a Three-Year General Purpose Schools Roofing Projects Capital Outlay Note Not To Exceed \$1,200,822.00.

Motion failed for lack of Second.

Motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to deny a Three-Year General Purpose Schools Roofing Projects Capital Outlay Note Not To Exceed \$1,200,822.00.

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 1 Abstain. See Resolution 11.

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

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan requested the Education Committee take this matter back to Committee to work with the School Board to resolve this item. After Discussion the Commission determined it could not be heard at the Special Called Meeting scheduled for October 12, 2017 due to insufficient time to advertise. If the Committees could find a solution it would be heard before the full Commission at the Regular scheduled Commission Meeting in October.

Motion was made by Ms. Diana Lovell, seconded by Mr. Shanon Pickard to approve the following county assets surplus and receipt proceeds of sale to Vehicle Fund: 178-44530 (Sale of Equipment):

Department: EMS

2001 Ford Expedition XLT  
VIN # 1FMPU16L81LB44420  
Mileage: 251,441.7

Notes: Engine is blown

*Budget Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent*

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 Lovell	Yes
Tim Williamson	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Yes
Dale McCarver	Yes	Shanon Pickard	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

Motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Diana Lovell to approve the following county assets surplus for disposal:

Department: Trustee

Brother MFC8710DW 3-in-1 printer/copier/fax

Notes: Broken

*Budget Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent*

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 13.

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

PUBLIC FORUM: Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan opened Public Forum at 6:42 P.M.

Ms. Misty Keenan, Director of Chamber of Commerce, stated 25 kids are attending the ACT Prep class that is being funded by a Grant. Ms. Keenan stated they received an \$18,000.00 Education Foundation Grant to help teachers. Ms. Keenan announced a Membership Appreciation day at Jarrell Farm on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Public Forum closed at 6:47 P.M.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley to take a five minute recess at 6:47 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 14.

Regular Session resumed at 6:52 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING: Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan opened Public Hearing at 6:52 P.M.

The following was advertised to be heard:

1. Mr. Dan Price, requesting a Zone Change from E-1 to R-1. Property is located at 1181 Pleasant Valley Road, Chapmansboro, TN; Map 28J, group A, Parcel 2.00 consisting of 5.60 acres. Property is in the 4<sup>th</sup> Voting district and is not in a Special Flood Hazard area.

2.) Ms. Tami Hammock, requesting a Zone Change from E-1 to R-1. Property is located at 3005 Thomasville Road, Chapmansboro, TN: Map 27 part of Parcel 3, consisting of 2.04 acres. Property is in the 4<sup>th</sup> voting district and is not in a Special Flood Hazard area.

Mr. Mike Allen, brother of Ms. Tami Hammock, explained the rezone request was to grant their Mother's wishes by splitting the property between the two children.

Public Hearing closed at 6:57 P.M.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to approve the Zone Change request for Mr. Dan Price, from E-1 to R-1. Property is located at 1181 Pleasant Valley Road, Chapmansboro, TN; map 28J, group A, parcel 2.00. Property is in the 4<sup>th</sup> voting district and is not in a Special Flood Hazard area.

*Planning Commission Vote: Vote to deny 7 Yes 0 No 2 Absent*

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0Absent. See Resolution 15.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to approve the Zone Change request for Ms. Tami Hammock from E-1 to R-1. Property is located at 3005 Thomasville Road, Chapmansboro, TN; map 27 part of parcel 3 consisting of 2.04 acres. Property is in the 4<sup>th</sup> voting district and is not in a Special Flood Hazard area.

*Planning Commission Vote: Vote to deny 7 Yes 0 No 2 Absent*

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

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

COUNTY ATTORNEY – MR. MICHAEL BLIGH: County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh invited questions. Ms. Connie Mayo asked how to handle complaints of a vacant home in her district that has household items in the yard. Mr. Bligh stated the Building Commission Office would need to send a certified letter requesting the home owner to clean up property if notice is unanswered then the cleanup would begin and the County could place a lien on the property for the value of the cleanup.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT- County Mayor, Mr. Kerry McCarver stated he planned to have the position of Economic and Community Development Director filled in the next thirty days.

#### OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

COUNTY TRUSTEE – MS. DOT JONES: The Trustee’s Month to Date August 2017 Report was included in the packet.

SHERIFF- MR. MIKE BREEDLOVE: Mr. Breedlove gave a report on the highlights of the month and reported the Jail was overcrowded.

SCHOOL BOARD – Dr. Beck, Director of Schools announced that Cheatham County Schools had three National Merit Scholars and two golfers that qualified for State Competition. Ms. Beck stated they were working on a Five Year Strategic Plan and request that everyone go online and take a survey to assist the Board in finding data to complete the Plan.

Chairman, Mr. Donnie Jordan requested the School Administration prepare data of those who have had ACT Prep courses verses those who have not had ACT Prep courses.

#### COUNTY SERVICES

UT EXTENSION – MR. RONNIE BARRON: The Extension Highlights were included in the packet. Mr. Barron thanked all volunteers who assisted with the Fair. Mr. Barron briefed on several training projects in the works. Mr. Barron stated they are preparing flood assessments on Crop damage in the area. Mr. Barron announced a Life Skills Program at Colby Armory.

VETERANS SERVICE- MR. ROBERT COUNTER: Mr. Robert Counter stated the National Gold Star Mothers Day was September 24<sup>th</sup> . Mr. Counter announced an American Legion meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 P.M. at the Lions Club. Mr. Counter invited everyone to attend the VFW fish fry at Music on Main on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

BEER BOARD – Ms. Lovell stated they did meet and approved a temporary permit for the Hoedown on the Harpeth Festival.

EDUCATION – Mr. Williamson stated they did meet and the items discussed were already voted on.



EMERGENCY SERVICES – Mr. Donnie Jordan stated they did meet and discussed the Petway Building and Fire Hall. Mr. Jordan stated the Fire Association requested the use of the property on the river bottoms to be used for a training academy. Mr. Jordan stated the Committee would continue to discuss this issue.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS – Mr. Gary Binkley stated they did meet. Capital Improvements Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to authorize the engineering fee for Lose and Associates in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the retaining wall at the Tucker Empson Building.

*Funding Source: Capital Improvements*

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 17.

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

Capital Improvements Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Diana Lovell to approve the funding of the repair to the drive thru window at the Tucker Empson Building. Amount not to exceed \$9,300.00.

Motion approved by roll call vote 9 Yes 3 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 18.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Gary Binkley	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	Diana Pike Lovell	Yes
Tim Williamson	No	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Yes
Dale McCarver	Yes	Shanon Pickard	No
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	No

Capital Improvements Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayo to fund an emergency lock switch for the doors at the Courthouse for security purpose. Amount not to exceed \$902.00.

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 19.

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

Mr. Gary Binkley stated the Committee requested the County Mayor and the County Clerk to draw up plans and make sure Federal Guidelines are met for the work needed in the layout of the Clerk's Office.

RECORDS COMMITTEE – Mr. Smith stated they did not meet.

CALENDAR, RULES AND NOMINATING- Mr. McCarver stated they did meet and discussed an Archives.

Calendar, Rules and Nominating Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to appoint Ms. Mary McRae to the Audit Committee.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 20.

Ms. Connie Mayo thanked Mr. Pat Smith for his hard work and dedication.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE- Mr. McCarver invited everyone to attend a trip to Gallatin on September 19<sup>th</sup> to observe how the set up for their County Commission Meetings are held. The Committee will then meet back at the Courthouse at 5:00 P.M. on September 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss an RFP for the County's Website.

ROAD AND BRIDGE – Mr. Weakley stated they did meet.

Road and Bridge Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Diana Lovell to lower the speed limit on Natier Drive in Pegram to 25MPH.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 21.

Road and Bridge Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Eugene O. Evans, Sr. to remove Fannie Lane in Charlotte from the County Road List.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 22.

Road and Bridge Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Eugene O. Evans, Sr. to remove a 600ft stretch of Jamison Road from the County Road List.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 23.

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT- They did not meet.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD- They did not meet.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made by Ms. Diana Lovell, seconded by Mr. Shanon Pickard to approve the following applicants for Notary Public:

Notaries

*Elizabeth Bell*  
*Gail Usry*

*Ashlyn R. Pardue*

*Cheri B. Ray*

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 24.

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to adjourn at 8:05 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 25.

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County Clerk

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Legislative Body Chairman