

**MINUTES
CHEATHAM COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
REGULAR SESSION
OCTOBER 20, 2014**

BE IT THEREFORE REMEMBERED, That the Cheatham County Legislative Body met in the General Sessions Courtroom, Ashland City, Tennessee, on October 20, 2014 in Regular Session. Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan and 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: Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan opened Public Forum at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Steve Wenning, Cheatham County Central High School Principal, introduced Tori Lawson as the new Assistant Principal for Cheatham County Central High School.

Mr. Jeff Bennett, Communications Director for Cheatham County Board of Education, recognized October Employees of the Month: Lora Stone, Susan Collins, Marietta Litton, Sandy Buck, Lanita Puthoff, Kaye Hunter, Jan Harris, Amanda McCoy, Dale Daniel, Lenny Skoglund, Brian Black, and Jennifer Fitzgerald

Public Forum closed at 7:05 P.M.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Sheriff Mr. Mike Breedlove at 7:05 P.M.

Invocation was offered by Mr. Ronnie Barron.

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

Motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to approve the Agenda for the October 20, 2014 Legislative Body Meeting by adding the VendEngine, Inc. Agreement to the Budget Segment.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 2.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson, to approve the Minutes from the September 15, 2014 Regular Session Commission meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 3.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough, Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan, Commissioners Mr. Tim Williamson, Ms. Ann Jarreau, Ms. Connie Mayo and Mr. Dale McCarver presented a memorial to the family of Dr. Alvin Rose.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough, Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan and Sheriff Mr. Mike Breedlove presented a special recognition to Mr. David Isherwood.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough presented an award from the Greater Nashville Regional Council for Cheatham County Public Safety.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough presented an award from the Greater Nashville Regional Council for Cheatham County Tourism Plan and Targeted Economic Strategy Award.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough presented an award from the Greater Nashville Regional Council to wheelchair bound border collie "Scooter" for Community Inspiration.

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 stated the unemployment rate remained the same as last month at 6.3% for the month of September 2014.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough made a proclamation for Cheatham County to join the Breast Cancer Awareness month of October.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough invited questions.

ANIMAL CONTROL – MR. THOMAS JORDI: Information was included in the packet. Mr. Thomas Jordi announced their Second Annual Open House will be held November 8, 2014 from 12:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. beginning with a Rabies Clinic from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. and to conclude with a Memorial Service.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER – MR. CHRIS ATKINS: Information was included in packet.

DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS- MS. TARA PATTERSON: The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the following budget amendments for the County General Fund:

<i>Sheriff</i>	\$34,035.00
<i>Sheriff</i>	\$2,500.00
<i>Sheriff</i>	\$21,247.00
<i>Sheriff – D.A.R.E.</i>	\$7,777.54
<i>Jail</i>	\$8,631.09
<i>Jail</i>	\$10,000.00
<i>Chancery</i>	\$2,650.00
<i>Animal Control</i>	\$2,040.43
<i>Cheatham County Library</i>	\$12,500.00
<i>Election</i>	\$900.00

*Funding Source: Various Source
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent*

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 4.

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

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

Other charges \$932.50

*Funding Source: Refund from School Board
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent*

Motion approved by roll call vote 12 Yes 0 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 5.

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

The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Diana Pike to authorize the following budget amendments for the Sheriff’s Drug Fund:

Special Patrols – Narcotics \$48,600.00
Drug Enforcement \$20,000.00

Funding Source: Drug Fund Fund Balance
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

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

The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Ms. Betty Ramsey to approve the agreement that in any budget year the County employees are given a cost of living or additional increase/adjustment on the salary scale, the same increase will be applied to the County’s portion of the Agriculture Extension salaries.

Funding Source: County General Budget
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

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	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 Mr. Tim Williamson to give an approval for the County Mayor’s signature on the Agreement for the Provision of Inmate/Detainee Health Services.

Motion was approved by voice vote. See Resolution 8.

The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayo to authorize a three-year school bus Capital Outlay Note not to exceed \$672,471.00.

Funding Source: Education Debt Service Note Proceeds
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent
Education Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 2 Absent

Ms. Ann Jarreau questioned if the school buses were rotated to extend the life of the buses. School Board Director Dr. Stan Curtis stated the rotation was a standard practice and the buses are used for a period of 15 years or 200,000 miles.

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

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The Budget Committee recommended, Motion was made by Mr. Tim Williamson, seconded by Ms. Diana Pike to approve a \$350,000.00 transfer from General Purpose School fund balance to attract and retain bus drivers.

Funding Source: General Purpose Schools
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent
Education Vote: 4 Yes 0 No 2 Absent

Commissioner Mr. Dale McCarver questioned why this was not done when the Budget was approved and if Director of Schools Dr. Stan Curtis would be returning to the Commission requesting additional transfers. Dr. Curtis stated his intent is to return with additional requests.

Director of Schools Dr. Stan Curtis explained the funding source is a \$2,000,000.00 fund balance from underestimated revenues and unused allocated monies.

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. Gary Binkley, seconded by Mr. Dale McCarver to table the \$350,000.00 transfer from General Purpose School fund balance to attract and retain bus drivers.

Motion failed by roll call vote 5 Yes 6 No 1 Abstain 0 Absent.

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

Mr. Gary Binkley called for question.

Mr. Dale McCarver and Mr. Gary Binkley were concerned the Maintenance of Effort would be affected and the result would cause an increase in taxes. Director of Schools Dr. Stan Curtis and

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough assured everyone the Maintenance of Effort would not be affected.

Chairman Mr. Donnie Jordan stated any remaining funds in this area cannot be transferred.

Motion approved by roll call vote 9 Yes 2 No 1 Abstain 0 Absent. See Resolution 10.

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

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Motion was made by Ms. Connie Mayo, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to give an approval for the County Mayor’s signature on the VendEngine, Inc. Legal Law Library Agreement.

Motion was approved by voice vote. See Resolution 11.

Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayo to take a five minute recess at 8:51 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 12.

Regular Rules of Order resumed at 9:02 P.M.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – MR. DARRYL PHILLIPS – Information was included in packet.

OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

COUNTY CLERK – MS. TERESA GUPTON: The County Clerk’s approved revised Personnel Policy is on file in the County Clerk’s Office.

CIRCUIT/GENERAL SESSIONS COURT CLERK – MS. JULIE HIBBS: For the record, the General Sessions Court and Circuit Court Fiscal Year End 2013-14 Financial Report is on file in the County Clerk’s Office.

SHERIFF – MR. MIKE BREEDLOVE: Mr. Mike Breedlove stated the information was included in the packet and his deputies are continuing their efforts in law enforcement.

SCHOOL BOARD – Curriculum Supervisor Ms. Stacy Brinkley invited the commissioners to attend a chili supper before the next school board meeting on November 4th at 5:30P.M.

COUNTY SERVICES

UT EXTENSION- MR. RONNIE BARRON: The Extension highlights were included in the packet. Mr. Barron thanked Commissioners Mr. Gary Binkley and Ms. Diana Pike for attending the Tobacco Patch Breakfast and Mr. Tim Williamson for installing lettering at the UT Extension Office.

VETERANS SERVICES – MR. ROBERT COUNTER: Veterans Service Officer Mr. Robert Counter stated he had completed the Service Officer Training Course. Mr. Counter represented Cheatham County at the Veterans Town Hall meeting in Nashville. Mr. Counter stated they are moving forward with the part-time position in the Veterans Service Office.

Mr. Counter announced the Veterans Day Ceremony will be at the Courthouse Lawn on November 11th at 11:00 A.M.

The Veterans Committee will meet October 30th at 6 P.M in the Tucker Empson Building conference room.

COUNTY ATTORNEY- MR. MICHAEL BLIGH: Mr. Michael Bligh reported Resolution #18 passed on September 15, 2014 titled “To create a rule for campaign signs on Cheatham County property” was flawed. County Attorney Mr. Bligh’s legal opinion was to revise the Resolution to address the areas of concern. Mr. Gary Binkley stated he would like for it to go through Calendar and Rules with the Attorney being present to make possible changes. Mr. Binkley did not want to rescind the resolution. Ms. Diana Pike felt we needed to adhere with the Attorney’s opinion on rescinding the resolution until the changes are made.

Motion was made by Ms. Diana Pike, seconded by Mr. Tim Williamson to rescind Resolution #18 passed on September 15, 2014 titled “To create a rule for campaign signs on Cheatham County property” and to send it to Calendar and Rules Committee for review.

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 1 No 0 Absent. See Resolution 13.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Gary Binkley	No	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

STANDING COMMITTEES

BEER BOARD – They did not meet. Mr. Dale McCarver respectfully declined being on the board and requested the Chairman to find someone to fill the vacancy. The next meeting is November 1st at 9:00 A.M. at the Tucker Empson Building

EDUCATION – Mr. Tim Williamson stated they did meet. All commissioners received a copy of the minutes.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS – Mr. Gary Binkley stated they did meet. Mr. Binkley invited all elected officials to come before the committee and state their capital improvement needs. The next meeting will be on November 3rd at 5:30 P.M. at the courthouse.

CALENDAR, RULES AND NOMINATING – Mr. Dale McCarver stated they did meet. All Commissioners received a copy of the unofficial minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to appoint Ms. Betty Ramsey to the Agricultural Committee.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 14.

The next meeting will be held on November 6th at 6:00 P.M. at the Courthouse.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE- Mr. Dale McCarver stated they did not meet. Mr. McCarver stated the County Website is in the works.

ROAD AND BRIDGE – Mr. Walter Weakley stated they did meet. All Commissioners received a copy of the minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to lower and post the speed limit of 25 (twenty-five) miles per hour on Forestwood Road.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 15.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to deny the request to adopt Narrows of the Harpeth as a county road.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 16.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gary Binkley to name the bridge over the Harpeth River on Highway 70 in Cheatham County “The Joe A. Taylor Memorial Bridge”.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 17.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayo to name the bridge on River Road over Sams Creek in Cheatham County “The Sgt. Michael Robert Day USMC Memorial Bridge”.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 18.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to name Highway 70 excluding the portion in Pegram city limits named “Frank Jordan Memorial Highway” “The Gold Star Families Memorial Highway”.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 19.

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT- Mr. Gary Binkley stated they did not meet. The Committee will meet on the 1st Wednesdays of the month at 4:30 P.M.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion on the water leakage problem at the Tucker Empson Building. It was sent to the Capital Improvements Committee for review.

Ms. Connie Mayo will arrange the Thanksgiving and Christmas meals for the County Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion was made by Ms. Connie Mayo, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the consent calendar.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 20.

NOTARIES: Motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Ms. Diana Pike to approve the following applicants for Notary Public Commission:

Kate T. Hamm
Brian McCain
Tiffany N. Whitt

Rhonda Lynne Knight
Angela Thomas-Jackson

Anna M. Knox
Bobby F. Whitt

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 21.

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to adjourn at 10:18 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 22.