

MINUTES
CHEATHAM COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY
REGULAR SESSION
April 21, 2014

BE IT THEREFORE REMEMBERED, That the Cheatham County Legislative Body met in the General Sessions Courtroom, Ashland City, Tennessee, on April 21, 2014 in Regular Session. Chairman Mr. John Haines 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
DORIS SANDERS	WALTER WEAKLEY
ANN JARREAU	DAVID DAVIDSON
ROB MYERS	EUGENE O. EVANS, SR.
DALE MCCARVER	JOHN HAINES
CONNIE MAYO	JIMMY HEDGEPATH

PUBLIC FORUM: Chairman, Mr. John Haines opened Public Forum at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. David Nixon, 1714 Sycamore Beach Court, Chapmansboro, Tennessee spoke in favor of enforcing the current zoning laws.

Mr. James Cripps, 3070 Petway Road, Ashland City, Tennessee spoke in opposition of the Mayor's Office overseeing the Veteran's Service Office.

Public Forum closed at 7:12 P.M.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Sheriff Mr. John Holder at 7:12 P.M.

Invocation was offered by Chairman Mr. John Haines.

County Clerk Ms. Teresa Gupton called the roll. There being Eleven Commissioners present, Chairman, Mr. John Haines declared a Quorum. See Resolution 1.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the Agenda for the April 21, 2014 Legislative Body Meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 2.

Motion was made by Ms. Doris Sanders, seconded by Ms. Ann Jarreau to approve the Minutes from the March 17, 2014 Regular Session commission meeting.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 3.

COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough stated he is in support of veterans. County Mayor Mr. David McCullough commended Mr. Robert Counter, the Veterans Service Officer, for doing a wonderful job and encouraged everyone to rally for the Veterans Service Office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough and Chairman Mr. John Haines presented a Special Recognition Plaque to Mr. John Mayfield.

NEW BUSINESS

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

The Workforce Essentials Facts unemployment rate is at 5.9% which is an increase of 0.4% from last month.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Mr. Donnie Jordan, seconded by Ms. Connie Mayo to appoint Mr. Jordan Tupper to replace Pleasant View Mayor, Perry Keenan to the Planning Commission with a term ending 12/31/2014.

Motion was approved by voice vote. See Resolution 4.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau, seconded by Ms. Doris Sanders to approve a Litter Grant between the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation and Cheatham County.

Motion was approved by voice vote. See Resolution 5.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough recommended, motion was made by Mr. Rob Myers, seconded by Mr. Donnie Jordan to approve the Cheatham County Delinquent Tax Attorney Contract with Attorney Ms. Martha Brooke Perry.

Motion was approved by voice vote. See Resolution 6.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough invited questions.

DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS – MS. TARA PATTERSON: The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Donnie Jordan, seconded by Mr. Rob Myers to authorize creating a Deputy Clerk position in the Election Commission Office.

*Funding source: Budgeted insurance funds
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent*

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 0 No 1 Absent. See Resolution 7.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Doris Sanders	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	David Davidson	Yes
Rob Myers	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Absent
Dale McCarver	Yes	John Haines	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Ms. Ann Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to authorize the following budget amendments for the County General Fund:

VSO	\$1,510.00
Animal Control	\$1,746.47
South Cheatham Library	\$386.00
Jail	\$11,341.20
Building Commission	\$8,000.00

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

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 0 No 1 Absent. See Resolution 8.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Doris Sanders	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	David Davidson	Yes
Rob Myers	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Absent
Dale McCarver	Yes	John Haines	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

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

<i>Refund from School Board for electricity at the Bus Garage</i>	<i>\$793.74</i>
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Funding Source: Refund
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 0 No 1 Absent. See Resolution 9.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Doris Sanders	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	David Davidson	Yes
Rob Myers	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Absent
Dale McCarver	Yes	John Haines	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

The Budget Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Donnie Jordan, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to authorize the surplus and disposal of a 1992 Ford F350.

Funding Source: None
Budget Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent

Motion approved by roll call vote 11 Yes 0 No 1 Absent. See Resolution 10.

Betty Ramsey	Yes	Donnie Jordan	Yes
Doris Sanders	Yes	Walter Weakley	Yes
Ann Jarreau	Yes	David Davidson	Yes
Rob Myers	Yes	Eugene O. Evans, Sr.	Absent
Dale McCarver	Yes	John Haines	Yes
Connie Mayo	Yes	Jimmy Hedgepath	Yes

Budget Director Ms. Tara Patterson invited everyone to attend the budget workshop on Thursday, May 1st at 6:00 P.M. in the Circuit Courtroom and on Tuesday, May 6th at 6:00 P.M.

ANIMAL CONTROL – MR. THOMAS JORDI: The Tri-Month Report was included in the packet.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER- MR. CHRIS ATKINS: Building Commissioner Mr. Chris Atkins stated the County Attorney and Planning Commission have been working to change the zoning laws to the preference of the County Commission. County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh presented a list of changes for the Commission to view and modify to their pleasure. After discussion, County Engineer Mr. Brett Smith advised the Commission to review the proposed draft and bring any questions or comments back to the next County Commission Meeting.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT- MR. DARYL PHILLIPS - The sales tax report was included in the packet.

OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

REGISTER OF DEEDS- MS. DELORES MOULTON- County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh approved the changes to the Register of Deeds Personnel Policy. The personnel policy is on file in the Clerk's Office.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT- MR. CARL COTHERN- Mr. Carl Cothorn presented the 2014 road list. Mr. David Davidson requested a ledger of abbreviations.

STANDING COMMITTEES

BEER BOARD – Ms. Doris Sanders stated they did not meet. The next meeting will be held on May 3, 2014.

EDUCATION – Mr. Donnie Jordan stated they did not meet.

EMERGENCY SERVICES- Mr. Donnie Jordan stated they did meet. There was discussion on plans for additional fire stations and an agreement was worked on to establish perimeters for tankers.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS- Mr. Rob Myers stated they did not meet.

CALENDAR, RULES AND NOMINATING –Mr. Dale McCarver stated they did meet.

Mr. Dale McCarver stated a constituent volunteered to be placed on the Equalization Board. Due to the constituent running for office of County Commission, his request was denied.

Calendar, Rules and Nominating Committee recommended, motion was made by Mr. Dale McCarver, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to re-appoint Don Cochran, Wade Reed, Yvonne Stinnett, Elke McLeroy and Billy Don Morris to the Equalization Board.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 11.

Mr. Dale McCarver informally invited all candidates to attend the County Commission Meetings.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE- Mr. Dale McCarver stated they did not meet.

ROAD AND BRIDGE – Mr. Walter Weakley stated they did meet. Mr. Walter Weakley stated the information will be in the packet next month.

CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT- Chairman Mr. John Haines stated they did not meet.

COUNTY ATTORNEY –Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath questioned if a sign needed to be placed at the landfill stating all customers waste is subject to being searched. County Attorney Mr. Michael Bligh stated it was not a legal requirement but was recommended.

County Mayor Mr. David McCullough stated he would advise the Director of the Landfill to post a sign.

A representative of the Sam's Creek Landfill Mr. Carl Archer presented pictures of a broken compacter from damaging items being disposed of.

UT EXTENSION – The Extension highlights were included in the packet.

VETERANS SERVICES – Veterans Service Officer Mr. Robert Counter announced a honor ride for healing heroes on May 2, 2014.

Veterans Service Officer Mr. Robert Counter announced the second annual Memorial Day Celebration on May 26, 2014 at Riverbluff Park.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion was made by Ms. Connie Mayo, seconded by Mr. Walter Weakley to approve the following recognition:

Special Recognition To Ms. Natalie Smith

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 12. (Individual resolution 13.)

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

Sherry L. Dowlen
Johnnie R. Mitchell
Jamie M. Wells

Marianne D. Isbell
Brittany Robinson

Tara Lee
Brooke N. Underwood

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS

Mr. Dale McCarver stated the Calendar Rules and Nominating Committee will meet with the Budget Committee on May 1, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Circuit Courtroom.

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Mr. Walter Weakley, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Hedgepath to adjourn at 9:20 P.M.

Motion approved by voice vote. See Resolution 15.