



Blount County Government

359 Court Street
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Commissioners

Thursday, September 1, 2022

10:30 AM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

Live stream via <https://zoom.us/join>

Zoom Meeting ID: 872 0809 5779

Special Called

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Blount County Board of Commissioners met in special called session on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by the Clerk. There were 21 members present. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

Present: 21 - Commissioner Mike Akard, Commissioner Jared Anderson, Commissioner Robbie Bennett, Commissioner Dyrán Bledsoe, Commissioner Brad Bowers, Commissioner Nick Bright, Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner Mike Caylor, Commissioner Misty Davis, Commissioner Ron French, Commissioner Jessica Hannah, Commissioner Jeff Jopling, Commissioner Scott King, Commissioner John Giles, Commissioner Staci Lawhorn, Commissioner Earl McMahan, Commissioner Steve Mikels, Commissioner Dawn Reagan, Commissioner Tom Stinnett, Commissioner Linda Webb, and Commissioner David Wells

- A.** [Pursuant to and in accordance with the authority vested in me by Tennessee Code Annotated § 5-5-105, I hereby call the Board of County Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, to meet in special session on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 10:30 A.M. to consider and act upon the election of county commission officers for chairman, pro-tempore and parliamentarian.](#)

Attachments: [Public Notice of Special Called Meeting 9-1-22](#)

1. Election of County Commission Officers:

a. Chairman.

The Clerk opened the floor for nominations of County Commission Chairperson.

Commissioner Reagan nominated Jared Anderson. That was seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn.

Commissioner King nominated Ron French. That was seconded by Commissioner Stinnett.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mikels, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that nominations cease. A voice vote was taken with all voting aye, none opposed. The Clerk declared the motion to cease nominations to have passed.

A roll call vote was taken on the nominations for Commission Chairperson.

To elect Jared Anderson: 11 - Akard, Bright, Carver, Davis, Hannah, Jopling, Lawhorn, Mikels, Reagan, Webb, and Wells.

To elect Ron French: 8 - Bennett, Bledsoe, Bowers, Caylor, Giles, King, McMahan, and Stinnett.

Abstain: 2 - Anderson, and French.

The Clerk declared Jared Anderson elected as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

b. Chairman Pro-Tempore.

The Clerk opened the floor for nominations of County Commission Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Bright nominated Mike Akard. That was seconded by Commissioner Hannah.

Commissioner Webb nominated Tom Stinnett. That was seconded by Commissioner Reagan.

Commissioner Carver nominated Ron French. That was seconded by Commissioner King.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mikels, seconded by Commissioner McMahan, that nominations cease. A voice vote was taken with all voting aye, none opposed. The Clerk declared the motion to cease nominations to have passed.

A roll call vote was taken on the nominations for Commission Pro Tempore.

To elect Mike Akard: 6 - Anderson, Bledsoe, Bright, Davis, Hannah, and Mikels.

To elect Tom Stinnett: 6 - Bennett, Caylor, Giles, Lawhorn, Reagan, and Webb.

To elect Ron French: 7 - Bowers, Carver, Jopling, King, McMahan, Stinnett, and Wells.

Abstain: 2 - Akard and French.

An roll call vote was taken on the nomination of Ron French for Commission Pro Tempore. The Clerk declared Ron French elected as Pro Tempore of the Board of Commissioners by the following vote.

Yes: 20 - Akard, Anderson, Bennett, Bledsoe, Bowers, Bright, Carver, Caylor, Davis, Hannah, Jopling, King, Giles, Lawhorn, McMahan, Mikels, Reagan, Stinnett, Webb, and Wells

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - French

c. Parliamentarian.

The Clerk opened the floor for nominations of County Commission Parliamentarian.

Commissioner Lawhorn nominated Ron French. The nomination was withdrawn.

Commissioner French nominated Jared Anderson. Commissioner Anderson declined the nomination.

Commissioner Bright nominated David Wells. That was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Commissioner Wells declined the nomination.

Commissioner King nominated Steve Mikels. That was seconded by Commissioner Bright.

Commissioner Bowers nominated Mike Akard. That was seconded by Commissioner French.

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that nominations cease. A voice vote was taken with all voting aye, none opposed. The Clerk declared the motion to cease nominations to have passed.

A roll call vote was taken on the nominations for Commission Parliamentarian.

To elect Steve Mikels: 3 - King, McMahan, and Reagan.

To elect Mike Akard: 16 - Anderson, Bennett, Bledsoe, Bowers, Bright, Carver, Caylor, Davis, French, Giles, Hannah, Jopling, Lawhorn, Stinnett, Webb, and Wells.

Abstain: 2 - Akard, and Mikels.

The Clerk declared Mike Akard elected as Parliamentarian of the Board of Commissioners.

B. ADJOURNMENT.

The Clerk declared the special called meeting to be adjourned. The Board of Commissioners adjourned on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 10:56 a.m.