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Meeting Minutes - Final

Commission Workshop

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Tuesday, November 8, 2022

6:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 892 2308 0824

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a Blount County Commission Workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Workshop Chairman Ron French called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 21 members present and none absent. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

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

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

The Chairman declared that item F.3 would be the first item acted on in New Business for the sake of election staff members present and it being Election Day.

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn, that the agenda be set as revised. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 21 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Abstain: 0

B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

1. [Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes for October 11, 2022.](#)

Attachments: [Workshop Committee Minutes 2022-Oct-11](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the minutes be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 21 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Abstain: 0

D. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn, that the Consent Calendar be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Anderson

1. [Approval of Bonds and Oaths.](#)

Attachments: [OATHS AND BONDS RESOLUTION 22-11-011](#)

[Oaths of Deputy Sheriff 2022-Nov-17](#)

[Notary Public Bonds Oaths 2022-Nov-17](#)

2. [Notaries to be Elected.](#)

Attachments: [Notaries to be Elected 2022-Nov-17](#)

3. [Receiving of Reports \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Greenback VFD - Annual Report 2022](#)

[GREENBACK VFD - Audit Report 2022](#)

[Minutes Budget Committee 2022-Oct-11](#)

[Minutes of Ad Hoc Committee for a Drug Prevention Education Program 2022-Jul-26](#)

[Minutes of Ad Hoc Committee for a Drug Prevention Education Program 2022-Jun-28](#)

[Minutes of Audit Committee 2022-May-19](#)

[Minutes of BZA 2022-Aug-04](#)

[Minutes of Planning Commission 2022-Sep-22](#)

[Minutes of Technology Committee 2022-Oct-20](#)

[Motorola and School Interfund Loans INFORMATION ONLY 11-17-22](#)

a. [October 2022 Financial Reports \(Information Only\).](#)

- Attachments:** [October 2022 Expenses](#)
[October 2022 Revenue](#)
[US Bank Report October 2022](#)
[YTD Budget Report - Expenses - Oct 2022](#)
[YTD Budget Report - Revenue - Oct 2022](#)
[FY22.23 Capital Exhibit REVISED 11.4.22](#)
[ARPA Monthly Update](#)
[ARPA Tracking 11.4.2022](#)

4. [2022 Annual Inflation Adjustment of the Financial Assurance for the Alcoa/Maryville/Blount County Landfill.](#)

- Attachments:** [2022 Inflation Adj Notice for AlcoaMaryvilleBlountCountyLandfill](#)

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

F. NEW BUSINESS.

3. [Resolution No. 22-11-015, A Resolution to Adopt Convenience Voting Centers in Blount County, Tennessee.](#)

- Attachments:** [RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CONVENIENCE VOTING CENTERS 2022](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 19 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- No:** 2 - Commissioner Akard and Commissioner Jopling

Abstain: 0

1. Budget Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases.

- a. [Resolution No. 22-11-001, Budget Increase - General Government Special Revenue - \\$20,105,733.00 \(To re-appropriate funds from FY21-22 to FY22-23 for previously approved ARPA/TDEC Utility projects across Blount Co.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution ARPA Utility Projects Amended](#)
[Memo ARPA Utility Projects](#)
[Amendment ARPA Utility Projects](#)
[Resolution ARPA Utility Projects](#)
[Resolution 22-02-001 ARPA funds](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Carver, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- b. [Resolution No. 22-11-002, Budget Increase - Industrial Development - \\$1,000,000.00 \(To re-appropriate the remaining balance for Project Pearl, previously approved by Commission in FY20-21.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Project Pearl IDB Re-Appropriation](#)
[Memo Project Pearl IDB re-appropriation](#)
[Amendment IDB funding re-appropriation](#)
[Resolution 21-01-009 Project Pearl IDB](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- c.** [Resolution No. 22-11-003, Budget Increase - Education Capital - \\$988,000.00 \(To appropriate funds for the renovations to Eagleton College & Career Academy science classrooms/labs from Fund 177.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Education Capital Projects for ECCA](#)
[Memo Education Capital Projects for ECCA](#)
[Amendment Education Capital Projects for ECCA](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- d. [Resolution No. 22-11-004, Budget Increase - Parks & Rec - \\$701,723.00 \(To appropriate general fund balance for Blount County's 60% share of the Everett Senior Center project cost.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Parks & Rec Everett Senior Center](#)

[Memo Parks & Rec Everett Senior Center](#)

[Amendment Parks & Rec Senior Center](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Akard, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- e. [Resolution No. 22-11-005, Budget Increase - General Services - \\$366,974.03 \(To appropriate AMR reserve account funds to be disbursed equally to the 11 first response agencies providing emergency services to Blount County.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(3-0-1\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution AMR Reserve Funds](#)

[Memo AMR Reserve Funds](#)

[Amendment AMR Reserves](#)

[Blount EMS Board minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Caylor

- f. [Resolution No. 22-11-007, Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$94,709.00 \(To appropriate COPS grant funds for the hiring of 3 additional deputies. The grant requires a 75/25 split.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution BCSO COPS grant personnel funding](#)
[Memo BCSO grant personnel funding](#)
[Amendment BCSO grant personnel funding](#)
[BCSO grant personnel funding announcement](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- g. [Resolution No. 22-11-008, Budget Increase - Animal Center - \\$34,038.00 \(To appropriate fund balance for one additional full-time employee through the end of FY22-23.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution BCAC new position Amended](#)
[Memo BCAC new position](#)
[Amendment BCAC new position](#)
[Resolution BCAC new position](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Akard, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- h.** [Resolution No. 22-11-009, Budget Increase - Highway - \\$30,380.00 \(To appropriate additional local option sales tax funds & highway capital funds for a required NEPA study in the Stock Creek Industrial Park.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Highway NEPA Study](#)
[Memo Highway NEPA Study](#)
[Amendment Highway NEPA Study](#)
[Purchasing Memo Highway NEPA Study](#)
[Original funding Resolution 22-07-006](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- i. [Resolution No. 22-11-010, Budget Increase - Education - \\$11,000.00 \(To appropriate general fund balance for a Pilot Drug Prevention Program & Implementation as requested by the Ad Hoc Committee.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Schools Pilot Drug Program](#)
[Memo Schools Pilot Drug Program](#)
[Amendment Schools Pilot Drug Program](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner McMahan, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- j. [Resolution No. 22-11-019, Budget Increase - General Fund - \\$11,600.00 \(To appropriate general fund balance for software to assist Property Assessors office with mass appraisal models for commercial properties.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Property Assessor software](#)
[Memo Property Assessor software](#)
[Amendment Property Assessor software](#)
[Trepp Inc Property Assessor software info](#)
[Trepp Inc Property Assessor software contract](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bright, seconded by Commissioner Reagan, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- k. [Resolution No. 22-11-020, Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$9,962.27 \(To appropriate TN Corrections Institute grant funds to purchase equipment for the Training Facility.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution BCSO TCI grant funding](#)
[Award letter Training Facility grant](#)
[Amendment Training Facility grant](#)
[Scope of Work Training Facility grant](#)
[Worksheet Training Facility grant](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Akard, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

2. Other Budget Items.

- a. [Violent Crime Intervention Grant Application - \\$431,198.00 \(To apply for state grant funds for equipment and technology. No match required.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Violent Crime Intervention Grant Information Worksheet](#)
[Violent Crime Intervention Grant Solicitation](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Wells, that the grant application request be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- b.** [Violent Crime Intervention Grant Application - \\$2,000,000.00 \(To apply for state grant funds to be used collaboratively between the Drug Task Force, Maryville, and Alcoa. No match required.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Violent Crime Intervention Grant Information Worksheet-COLLABORATIVE](#)
[Violent Crime Intervention Grant Solicitation](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the grant application request be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- c.** [EMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application - \\$365,010.00 \(To apply for generators to be stored with Blount County, Maryville City and Alcoa. Grant requires a 10% match of County funds.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [EMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Worksheet](#)
[EMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Akard, that the grant application request be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

- d. [Resolution No. 22-11-021, Resolution to declare property surplus and approve sale of same at public auction \(Fifth Judicial Drug Task Force building located in Maryville, TN\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(4-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Property Surplus Sale](#)

[Memo Property Surplus Sale](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner McMahan, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

4. [Resolution No. 22-11-017, A Resolution to Amend Highway Department Employee Handbook Supplement.](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE BLOUNT COUNTY HANDBOOK](#)

[Attachment A - Highway Employee Handbook Supplement 11-2022](#)

[Memo Highway Employee Handbook Supplement Amendment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Webb

5. [Resolution No. 22-11-013, A Resolution of the Blount County Commission Requesting the Governor of Tennessee and State Attorney General Take Appropriate Action to Protect the Medical Freedom of Those Serving in the Tennessee Army and Air National Guard and Tennessee State Guard.](#)

Attachments: [resolution Tennessee army national guard](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Vice Chair Stinnett, that the Resolution be amended by striking the words "of the Biden administration" in sections 1 and 1.c. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

An electronic vote was taken to forward the Resolution as amended to full commission. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

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

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

6. [Resolution No. 22-11-012, to Amend the Zoning Map of Blount County, Tennessee, from R-1 \(Rural District 1\) to RAC \(Rural Arterial Commercial\) for a 14.429 Acre Portion of a 17.276 Acre Parcel Located at 5624 U.S. Highway 411S. The Property is Identified as Part of Tax Map 100 Parcel 005.00.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 5624 US Hwy 411S](#)
[TNNC123750-1](#)
[5624 US411S to CC \(1\)](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Stinnett, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 17 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 3 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Giles and Commissioner Jopling

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

7. [Resolution No. 22-11-016, A Resolution to Amend the Zoning Regulations for Suburbanizing and R1 Zoning Districts of Blount County, Tennessee.](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION 22-11-016 - Min Lot Size](#)

[Bell 11-09-22](#)

[Anderson & Akard 11-15-22 \(1\)](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission.

The meeting went into recess at 7:45 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:51 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Stinnett, that the Resolution be amended by inserting a "sunset" clause that would give the Blount County Commission until November 2025 to vote to revert back to the minimum lot sizes in effect on November 1, 2022. Commissioner Anderson proposed that the following amendment language for the Resolution be inserted by adding a new paragraph under BE IT RESOLVED that states, "on or after November 1, 2025, the Board of Commissioners by a majority vote, without a zoning public hearing or approval by any planning commission may specifically revoke this resolution and in such case the zoning ordinance provisions herein changed shall revert to those in effect on November 1, 2022." An electronic vote was taken on the amendment. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan and Vice Chair Stinnett

No: 7 - Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Chairperson French, Commissioner King, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bledsoe

Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Commissioner King, that the Resolution be amended by changing the minimum lot size per unit for development on septic with field line from 32,670 square feet to 30,000 square feet and .75 acres to .69 acres, and change the public utility sewer square feet minimum from 21,780 to 15,000. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King, Commissioner McMahan, Vice Chair Stinnett and Commissioner Wells

No: 12 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bledsoe and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

An electronic vote was taken to forward to full commission the Resolution as amended to include the "sunset" clause. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan

No: 7 - Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner King, Commissioner McMahan, Vice Chair Stinnett and Commissioner Wells

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bledsoe and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

8. [Resolution No. 22-11-014, A Resolution to Call for Open Discussion of the Zoning Regulations for Suburbanizing and R1.](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION Open Discussion of Zoning Reg](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner Jopling, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Vice Chair Stinnett, that called for previous question. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 17 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett and Commissioner Wells

No: 2 - Commissioner Akard and Commissioner Mikels

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bledsoe and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

An electronic vote was taken on the original motion that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Lawhorn and Commissioner Mikels

No: 10 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Caylor, Chairperson French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner King, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Reagan, Vice Chair Stinnett and Commissioner Wells

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bledsoe and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS.

H. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

I. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made that the meeting be adjourned. The Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned. The Blount County Commission Workshop meeting adjourned on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 9:00 p.m.