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Meeting Minutes

Commission Workshop

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Tuesday, May 11, 2021

6:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

<https://zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID: 975 8903 9752

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a Blount County Commission Workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Workshop Chairman Tom Stinnett called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 19 present and 2 absent. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

- Present:** 19 - Vice Chair Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Richard Carver, Mike Caylor, Dodd Crowe, Ron French, James Hammontree, Jackie Hill, Tom Hood, Jeff Jopling, Scott King, Staci Lawhorn, Joe McCulley, Steve Mikels, Dawn Reagan, Brian Robbins and Chairperson Tom Stinnett
- Absent:** 2 - Robbie Bennett and Linda Webb

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

The Chairman declared item F.4 (Resolution No. 21-05-012, Resolution to Approve Salary Supplement for Blount County Highway Superintendent) to be withdrawn as it is identical to item F.2.c (Resolution No. 21-05-006 - A Resolution that establishes that the Blount County Highway Superintendent shall receive a supplement and increase in the amount of 20% over his current salary as long as the Highway Superintendent continues to oversee and manage the operations of the Department of Development Services for Blount County).

A motion was made by Vice Chair Akard, seconded by Commissioner French, to set the agenda. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.****1. [Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2021.](#)**

Attachments: [Minutes of Commission Workshop 2021-Apr-6](#)

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

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

D. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Consent Calendar be forwarded to full commission; with unanimous consent, the Chairman declared that a "yes" vote would also add their name as co-sponsor to the proclamations in D.1.

An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

1. [Declare a "Night of Celebrations" and Present the School Systems of Blount County and the Cities of Alcoa and Maryville with Proclamations to be Read Aloud by Commissioner Dawn Reagan, an Educator and Member of the Education Committee. Referred to full commission by the Education Committee with a favorable recommendation \(8:0\).](#)

Attachments: [AlcoaClass2021ResProclamation](#)
[HeritageHSCClass2021ResProclamation](#)
[MaryvilleClass2021ResProclamation](#)
[WBHSCClass2021ResProclamation](#)

The Chairman declared that a "yes" would also add their name as co-sponsor to the proclamations.

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

Attachments: [OATHS AND BONDS RESOLUTION 2021-May-20](#)
[Notary Public Bonds and Oaths 2021-May-20](#)

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

Attachments: [Notaries to be Elected 2021-May-20](#)

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

Attachments: [BCSO Annual Report 2020](#)
[Minutes of Budget Committee 2021-Apr-6](#)
[Minutes of BZA 2021-Mar-4](#)
[Minutes of CARES Committee 2020-Feb-18](#)
[Minutes of Education Committee 2021-Mar-30](#)
[Minutes of HR Committee 2020-Nov-17](#)
[Minutes of Insurance Committee 2020-Nov-17](#)
[Minutes of Planning Commission 2021-Feb-25](#)
[Minutes of Planning Commission 2021-Mar-25](#)
[Minutes of Technology Committee 2021-Jan-21](#)
[Records Request 1st Quarter 2021](#)
[Trustee Monthly Report April 2021](#)

a. [April 2021 Financial Reports \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [April 2021 Expenses](#)
[April 2021 Revenues](#)
[US Bank Report - April 2021](#)

5. [Blount County Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners \(4-Year Term\) Reappointment of Tom Daffron, Seat 2 \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Fire Protection District Board Reappointment](#)

6. [Fiscal Confirmation Letter - ThreeStar Program \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Three Star Details for Commission Packet 2021](#)

7. [Sales Tax Revenue Update \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Sales Tax Update - April 2021](#)

8. [Property Tax Revenue Update \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Property Tax Update- April 2021](#)

9. [Audit Report FY 19-20 \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Blount County Notification of Audit Release](#)
[FY20BlountAFR](#)

10. [Tax Rate Resolution for FY 21-22 \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [21-22 Tax Levy Resolution Recommended](#)
[21-22 Tax Levy Revenue Exhibit](#)

11. [Appropriation Resolution for FY 21-22 \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [21-22 Appropriation Resolution Recommended](#)
[21-22 Appropriation Presentation](#)

12. [A Resolution Establishing Capital Outlay Priorities for FY 21-22 \(Information Only\).](#)

Attachments: [Capital Outlay Prioritization Resolution Recommended](#)
[Capital Outlay Exhibit for Schools](#)

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**F. NEW BUSINESS.****1. Budget Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases.**

- a. [Resolution No. 21-05-001, Budget Increase - General Capital Projects Fund - \\$5,000.00 \(To appropriate already budgeted property tax revenue for the remainder of the year's Trustee Commission expenditures\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-001 Fund 189 Trustee Commission](#)
[Fund 189 Trustee Commission Budget Amendment Request - Signed](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Robbins, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- b. [Resolution No. 21-05-002, Budget Increase - Education Capital Fund - \\$186,750.00 \(To appropriate fund balance for renovations to 7 classrooms and hallways for new Eagleton College and Career Academy and new ceiling tiles in Heritage High School main building classrooms\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution No. 21-05-002 - Approp for ECCA 7 Rooms and HHS Ceiling 5-4-21 Fund 177 Budget Amendment Request](#)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammontree to vote separately on the expenditures. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed for lack of receiving a second motion.

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

Yes: 18 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Hammontree

- c. [Resolution No. 21-05-008, Budget Increase - General Purpose School Fund - \\$1,219,752.92 \(To appropriate funds for the receipt of three Tennessee grants to address learning loss through academic camps the summer of 2021\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution No. 21-05-008 - Learning Camps Grants 5-5-21 Learning Camps Grants Budget Amendment Request](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Robbins, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- d. [Resolution No. 21-05-003, Budget Increase - Recovery Court - \\$3,000.00 \(To appropriate additional funds awarded through the Criminal Justice Enhancement State Grant\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-003 CJES Grant Increase](#)
[CJES Increase Budget Amendment Request](#)
[CJES Budget Amendment 4-15-21](#)
[Blount County Amendment 1 FY21 CJES VAF T&C Adjusted \(1\)](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Akard, 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: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- e. [Resolution No. 21-05-004, Budget Increase - Juvenile Court - \\$41,345.60 \(To appropriate funds awarded through the VOCA Tennessee Safe Courts Program\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-004 VOCA TN Safe Courts Grant Appropriation](#)
[Juvenile VOCA Grant Budget Amendment Request - Signed](#)
[Budget Line Items](#)
[Award Letter](#)
[VOCA Grant Contract](#)
[TN Safe Courts Program Grant Application Request](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- f. [Resolution No. 21-05-005, Budget Increase - Law Library Fund - \\$220.00 \(To cover license expenses that have exceeded budget\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-005 Law Library Increase](#)
[Law Library Increase Budget Amendment Request - Signed](#)
[Blount County Government Mail - Re Law Library Budget](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Vice Chair 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: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- g.** [Resolution No. 21-05-009, Budget Increase - General Capital Fund - \\$300,000.00 \(To appropriate funds for the renovation of the new Election Commission office space\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-009 New Election Space Renovation](#)
[New Elections Office Space Budget Amendment - Signed](#)
[Election Space Renovation Memo](#)
[Election Office Space Lease Memo](#)
[Memo from Administrator of Elections](#)
[Midland Plans 4.30.21](#)
[Midland Term Sheet](#)
[Midland Term Sheet Updated 5.19.21](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

2. Other Budget Items.

- a. [Resolution No. 21-05-007 - To approve a multi-year lease contract with West 2 East Land, L.P. to relocate the Election Commission department to New Midland Plaza. Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution No. 21-05-007 - Midland Center Real Property Lease 5.2021](#)
[Election Office Space Lease Memo](#)
[Memo from Administrator of Elections](#)
[Midland Term Sheet](#)
[Midland Plans 4.30.21](#)
[Midland Term Sheet Updated 5.19.21](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb
- Abstain:** 0

- b. [Resolution No. 21-05-010 - Amendment to FY20-21 Capital Outlay Prioritization \(New Election Commission Office Space Renovation\). Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution No. 21-05-010 Capital Outlay Prioritization Resolution-Amendment](#)
[Capital Outlay Prioritization Resolution - Amended 3.18.21](#)

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:** 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett
- No:** 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

- c. [Resolution No. 21-05-006 - A Resolution that establishes that the Blount County Highway Superintendent shall receive a supplement and increase in the amount of 20% over his current salary as long as the Highway Superintendent continues to oversee and manage the operations of the Department of Development Services for Blount County. Referred to full commission by the Budget Committee with a favorable recommendation \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 21-05-006 \(Hwy Super salary supplement\)](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner French, 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: 18 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Hammontree

3. Appointments.

- a. [Health & Educational Facilities Board and Industrial Development Board of Blount County \(6-Year Term\) Appoint one of the following: 1\) David Bennett; 2\) Rick Shepard; or 3\) Steve West.](#)

Attachments: [Blount County - 2021 Health & Ed Board Appointment](#)
[Blount County - 2021 IDB Board Member Appointment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn, that the nominations be forwarded to full commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that Dave Bennett's name be forwarded to full commission. The motion was withdrawn.

An electronic vote was taken on the motion to forward the three nominations to full commission to appoint one. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

b. [Parks & Recreation Board \(4-Year Term\) Reappointment of Nelson Russell.](#)

Attachments: [Mayor Recommendation Parks & Rec 2021](#)

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

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

4. [Resolution No. 21-05-012, Resolution to Approve Salary Supplement for Blount County Highway Superintendent.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution \(Hwy Super salary supplement\)](#)

At the setting of agenda, the Chairman declared this item to be withdrawn as it is an identical to item F.2.c (Resolution No. 21-05-006 - A Resolution that establishes that the Blount County Highway Superintendent shall receive a supplement and increase in the amount of 20% over his current salary as long as the Highway Superintendent continues to oversee and manage the operations of the Department of Development Services for Blount County).

5. [Resolution No. 21-05-013, A Resolution Amending the FMLA Expansion and Emergency Paid Sick Leave Policy to Expire on March 31, 2021.](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION AMENDING FMLA EXPANSION AND EMERGENCY PAID SICK LEAVE POLICY TO EXPIRE ON 03-31-2021](#)
[Amended FMLA Leave Expansion and Emergency Paid Sick Leave Policy Coronavirus](#)
[Draft HRCommMeetingMinutes22-Apr-2021-10-35-25](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Vice Chair 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: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

6. [Resolution No. 21-05-014, A Resolution that Approves Blount County, TN Property Assessor Office Agreement for Legal Services with Robert T. Lee, Attorney at Law.](#)

Attachments: [21-05-014 Resolution for Agmt with Attorney Robert T Lee](#)
[Attorney Robert T Lee Retainer Contract](#)
[Letter to Property Assessor for Appearance 2021-May-20](#)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner French, that the Resolution be postponed until the June 17, 2021 commission meeting. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 3 - Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright and Commissioner McCulley

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

After discussion of the importance of item F.7, Resolution No. 21-05-015 and vote, Commissioner Anderson recommended that the action to postpone item F.6 be reconsidered. The Chairman declared that with unanimous consent item F.6 would be reconsidered.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hammontree, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

7. [Resolution No. 21-05-015, A Resolution that Approves Blount County, TN Property Assessor Office Agreement for Business Personal Property and Audit Services with Property Assessment Alliance, LLC.](#)

Attachments: [21-05-015 Resolution for Agmt with Property Assessment Alliance LLC](#)
[Contract - Property Assessment Alliance, LLC](#)
[Letter to Property Assessor for Appearance 2021-May-20](#)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Vice Chair Akard, that the Resolution be postponed.

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Vice Chair Akard, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission, and a certified letter be sent to the Property Assessor for his appearance at the May 20, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 19 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

8. [Resolution No. 21-05-016, A Resolution of the Blount County Commission Regarding the Tennessee Firearm Protection Act.](#)

Attachments: [21-05-016 Resolution TN Firearm Protection Act](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Akard, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. Commissioner Carver asked that he be added as sponsor on this resolution. The Chairman declared that a "yes" vote would also add the Commissioner's name to the resolution. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 18 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 1 - Commissioner Hill

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

9. [Resolution No. 21-05-017, A Resolutions Changing the Meeting Time of the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee.](#)

Attachments: [21-05-017 Resolution Start Time of BOC Meetings 630PM](#)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mikels, that the Resolution be amended by changing both of the meeting times to 6:30 p.m. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 14 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 4 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner King and Commissioner Lawhorn

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Hill

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

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 2 - Vice Chair Akard and Commissioner Hammontree

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Hill

10. [Resolution No. 21-05-018, Resolution for a Lease Option of the Blount County Courthouse Annex Property Surplus.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Lease Option for Annex - surplus property](#)

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Mikels, seconded by Commissioner Bright, that the Resolution be amended by removing the developer's name.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bright, seconded by Commissioner Mikels, that the Resolution be amended to include the following:
"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following Restrictive Covenants will be placed upon the property to be declared as excess property, with the wording subject to adjustment by the county attorney in line with the intent expressed herein. The advertisement for sale of the property should also contain this restriction.

The property herein conveyed is conveyed subject to the following restrictive covenants which shall be an encumbrance on the property and shall run with the land on the date of transfer of the property.

1. The building located on the property must be demolished and removed from the property within six (6) months.
2. The property herein conveyed may be used only for a parking lot and for no other purpose.
3. The parking lot constructed upon the property herein conveyed shall be open for use by the general public free of charge during normal operation hours of Blount County Government.
4. The parking lot shall have a minimum of 25 parking spaces.
5. The County shall have first right of refusal to buy back the property should it be put on the market to sell. The purchase price shall be based on a third-party appraisal.

The purchaser of the property acknowledges the validity of the restrictive covenants imposed herein and further acknowledges that Blount County shall have the legal right to enforce and take all legal action necessary to enforce the Restrictive Covenants imposed herein.
clauses by removing the developer's name."

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hammontree, to call for previous question on all pending motions. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed and debate continued by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Stinnett, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Robbins, Vice Chair Akard and Commissioner Anderson

No: 6 - Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hammontree, to call for previous question on all pending motions. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed and debate continued by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 6 - Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Hammontree, to call for previous question on all pending motions. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed and debate ceased by the following vote:

Yes: 14 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 5 - Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner McCulley and Commissioner Mikels

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

An electronic vote was taken on the motions to amend the resolution. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan and Commissioner Robbins

No: 9 - Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn and Stinnett

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

Did Not Vote: 1 - Commissioner Hammontree

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

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan

No: 13 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hammontree, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

11. [Resolution No. 21-05-019, Acceptance of the Proposal of the Tennessee Department of Transportation to Construct a Project Designated as Federal Project No.: N/A, State Project No. 05950-2542-04 County of Blount County Government PIN No.: 130817.00.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution - Project Pearl ROW](#)

[Project Pearl Proposal](#)

[Project Pearl ROW](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Akard, 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: 18 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner McCulley, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 1 - Commissioner Hammontree

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

12. [Setting of a Zoning Public Hearing to Amend the Zoning Map of Blount County, Tennessee from RAC \(Rural Aerial Commercial\) to C \(Commercial\) for Entire Tract of Land \(1.46 Acre Parcel\) Located at 3615 Tuckaleechee Pike, Blount County \(Tax Map 048, Parcel 0139.00\). Forwarded by the Planning Commission to full commission with a favorable recommendation \(10:0\).](#)

Attachments: [rezoning @ Tuckaleechee to CC](#)

[Draft - Resolution 3615 Tuckaleechee Pike](#)

[Staff Memo - Rezoning 3615 Tuckaleechee Pike](#)

[Report of Action BCPC April 22 2021 - Rezoning 3516 tuckaleechee Pk](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Akard, seconded by Commissioner French, 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 - Vice Chair Akard, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Crowe, Commissioner French, Commissioner Hill, Commissioner Hood, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner King, Commissioner Lawhorn, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robbins and Stinnett

No: 2 - Commissioner Hammontree and Commissioner McCulley

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Webb

Abstain: 0

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS.

H. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

I. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made to adjourn. The Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned. The Blount County Commission Workshop meeting adjourned on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at 8:53 p.m.