



Blount County Government

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Meeting Minutes

Budget Committee

Mayor Ed Mitchell, Chairperson
Commissioner Jared Anderson
Commissioner Nick Bright
Commissioner Mike Caylor
Committee Member Sharon Hannum

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

5:00 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 893 8858 9461

A. ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Commissioner Jared Anderson, Commissioner Nick Bright, Commissioner Mike Caylor, Committee Member Sharon Hannum, and Chairperson Ed Mitchell

B. EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

C. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [June 10, 2024 Budget Committee Minutes](#)

Attachments: [June 10, 2024 Budget Committee Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bright, 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: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

E. FINANCE - TRANSFERS, INCREASES, DECREASES

1. [Resolution No. 24-07-001, Budget Increase FY24-25 - BCSO -\\$123,000.00 \(Appropriate funds approved during FY24-25 Budget process to purchase twenty-eight rifles \(\\$83,000\) and ten AEDs \(\\$40,000\) nearing end of useful life\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution BCSO FY24-25 Add Req Rifles and AEDs](#)
[Amendment BCSO FY24-25 Add Req Rifles and AEDs](#)
[Memo BCSO FY25 FY24-25 Add Req Rifles and AEDs](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Caylor, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2. [Resolution No. 24-07-002, Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$70,725.00 \(Appropriate funds to replace a vehicle involved in an incident involving gunfire\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution BCSO Replacement Vehicle](#)
[Amendment BCSO Replacement Vehicle](#)
[Memo BCSO Replacement Vehicle](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

3. [Resolution No. 24-07-003, Budget Increase - Various Departments - \\$8,932,091.96 \(Re-appropriate funds from prior year to support the ongoing Capital projects\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution-FY24-25 Re-appropriation](#)
[Amendment-FY24-25 Re-appropriation](#)
[Memo FY24-25 Re-appropriation](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4. [Resolution No. 24-07-004, Budget Increase – General Construction Capital - \\$100,000.00 \(Appropriate contingency funds to support FY24-25 capital projects\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution 189 FY24-25 Capital Contingency](#)
[Amendment 189 FY24-25 Capital Contingency](#)
[Memo 189 FY24-25 Capital Contingency](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

5. [Resolution No. 24-07-005, Budget Increase – Highway - \\$248,396.18 \(Appropriate funds to repair the bridge on Whites Mill Road\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution HWY Whites Mill Rd Bridge](#)
[Amendment HWY Whites Mill Rd Bridge](#)
[Memo HWY Whites Mill Rd Bridge](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

6. [Resolution No. 24-07-006, Budget Increase – Development - \\$100,000.00 \(Appropriate funds to address the concerns brought forward from the Public Service Committee for the abatement of violation of TCA 5-1-115 to address overgrown vegetation, litter and trash concerns\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Development Lot Clean Up](#)
[Amendment Development Lot Clean up](#)
[Memo Development Lot Clean Up](#)
[Back up Development Lot Clean Up TCA 5-1-115](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Caylor, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

7. [Resolution No. 24-07-007, Budget Increase – School Capital - \\$4,998,500.00 \(Appropriate funds for phase two of the William Blount High School Career Technical Building Renovation Project\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution School Capital WBHS CTE Part 2](#)
[Amendment School Capital WBHS CTE Part 2](#)
[Memo School Capital WBHS CTE Bldg Part 2](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

8. [Resolution No. 24-07-008, Budget Increase – School Capital - \\$230,000.00 \(Appropriate funds for replacement of the fire alarm system at Carpenters Middle School to comply with updated codes\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Schools CMS Fire Alarm](#)
[Amendment Schools CMS Fire Alarm](#)
[Memo Schools CMS Fire Alarm](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

9. [Resolution No. 24-07-009, Budget Increase – School Capital - \\$300,000.00 \(Appropriate contingency funds to support FY24-25 capital projects\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Schools 177, FY24-25 Contingency Funds](#)
[Amendment Schools 177, FY24-25 Contingency Funds](#)
[Memo Schools 177, FY24-25 Contingency Funds](#)
[Back Up Schools 177, Contingency Spend](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

10. [Resolution No. 24-07-010, Budget Amendment – Schools General Fund \(Allocate the designated revenues and appropriations for a FY24-25 balanced budget\). Referred to full commission with an unfavorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Schools Fund 141 FY24-25 Budget Adjustments](#)
[Amendment Schools Fund 141 FY24-25 Budget Adjustments](#)
[Memo Schools Fund 141 FY24-25 Budget Adjustments](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Hannum, seconded by Commissioner Caylor, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission with an unfavorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

F. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

1. [Resolution No. 24-07-014, Purchasing - Request a multi-year contract for five years with First Watch, software that ensures the County's third-party ambulance service is compliant with the county contract. This contract secures pricing of \\$19,137.25 annually for 5 \(five\) years. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution First Watch Multi-Year July 2024 Commission](#)
[Memo First Watch Multi-Year July 2024 Commission](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Committee Member Hannum, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2. [Resolution No. 24-07-015, Information Technology Grant Application and Contract \(Approve and accept the State of Tennessee to provide the County with Endpoint Protection and Response software.\) The state will provide sixteen months \(Jun 2024-Jan 2026\) at no cost to the county. The county currently pays \\$28,000 annually for the same service. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution IT Grant Cyber Safe TN](#)
[Memo IT Grant Cyber Safe TN](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

3. [Resolution No. 24-07-016, A Resolution to authorize Blount County to participate in the Kroger Opioid Settlement and any future opioid payments resulting from litigation. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution - Kroger Opioid Abatement Settlement \(1\)](#)
[Memo and TN opioid abatement agreement](#)

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

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4. [BCSO Grant Application - \\$1,575,000.00, \(To apply for FY25 School Security Officer Grant for 21 SROs at \\$75,000.00 each; no matching funds are required\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Memo Solicitation BCSO SRO Grant](#)
[Grant Worksheet BCSO SRO](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Caylor, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Request be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

5. [BCSO Grant Application - \\$625,000.00 \(To apply for COPS Officer Hiring Program Grant, \\$125,000 per deputy for up to five deputies over three years; County match of at least 25% \(\\$208,333\), or more if elect for benefits, over three years\). If approved BCSO would request vehicles for the deputies. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Memo BCSO COPS Hiring grant](#)
[Grant Worksheet BCSO COPS Hiring Grant](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Caylor, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Request be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

6. [BCSO Grant Application - \\$200,000.00 \(To apply for funds to purchase a Virtra Virtual Training Simulator that provides training scenarios, namely de-escalation; No matching funds are required\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Memo BCSO COPS training simulator](#)
[Grant Worksheet BCSO COPS Training Simulator](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Caylor, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Request be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

7. [BCSO Grant Application - \\$25,000.00 \(To apply for non-inmate Emergency Mental Health Transport Program; No matching funds are required\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Memo solicitation BCSO MHT Grant](#)
[Grant Worksheet BCSO MHT](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bright, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the Request be forwarded to full commission with a favorable recommendation. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Anderson, Bright, Caylor, Hannum, and Mitchell

No: 0

Abstain: 0

G. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. [June 2024 Financial Reports \(INFORMATION ONLY\)](#)

Attachments: [ARPA Utility Project Update June 2024](#)
[ARPA Tracking 6.30.24](#)
[FY23.24 Capital Exhibit Master](#)
[June 2024 Expense Report](#)
[June 2024 Revenue Report](#)
[YTD Expense Report as of June 30 2024](#)
[YTD Revenue Report as of June 30 2024](#)
[US Bank Report June 2024](#)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:28pm.