



# Blount County Government

359 Court Street  
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Public Services Committee

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Tuesday, April 7, 2026

11:00 AM

Blount County Operations Center

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

#### II. ROLL CALL

- Present** 5 - Commissioner Mike Akard, Commissioner Ron French, Committee Member Larry Garner, Committee Member Richard Maples, and Committee Member Tara Rasher
- Absent** 2 - Commissioner Nick Bright, and Committee Member Tom Stinnett

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[Draft Minutes - Public Services Committee - March 3, 2026](#)

**Attachments:** [Draft Minutes - PSC - 03.03.2026](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Maples, seconded by Commissioner French, to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2026 meeting. A vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote.

**Yes:** 5 - Akard, French, Garner, Maples, and Rasher

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Bright, and Stinnett

**Abstain:** 0

Commissioner Bright arrived to the meeting

#### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Millsaps addressed the Committee regarding 1120 Ratledge Rd. He spoke of the commercial activities occurring on the property.

Committee members and staff discussed the ongoing issues at the property with Mr. Millsaps. Scott Stuart advised the Committee that the activities were not under the purview of the Committee.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

##### A. Discussion regarding undeliverable letters

The Committee was informed that the State legislature change may not be on the consent calendar for this year.

**B. 2025 Morganton Road**

It was confirmed that both property owners are deceased and the property taxes have been paid. Next steps will be to determine if electricity and power are on.

**Additional Old Business: 1120 Chula Vista**

Commissioner French asked staff how/when the County would collect on the funds used to clean up the property.

**Additional Old Business: Remaining Funds**

Commissioner Bright informed the Committee that after the Chula Vista property cleanup. The Committee would have approximately \$63,000 left until June 30, 2026. Then at the beginning of the new Fiscal Year, July 1, 2026, the Committee will have \$100,000 for cleanup.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. 621 Cusick Road**

Staff informed the Committee of the complaints received, photos of the property were reviewed. The property is tenant occupied and tenant has put up tarps to block view of property conditions. A letter will be sent to the property owner.

**VII. STAFF REPORTS**

Staff informed the Committee that the County was currently vetting contractors for mowing under \$20,000.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**