



# Blount County Government

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Commission Workshop

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Tuesday, October 10, 2023

6:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 811 3690 0659

### ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a Blount County Commission Workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Workshop Chairman Nick Bright called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 18 members present, and 3 were absent. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

- Present:** 18 - Jared Anderson, Mike Akard, Robbie Bennett, Dyran Bledsoe, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Richard Carver, Mike Caylor, Misty Davis, John Giles, Jeff Jopling, Staci Martin, Earl McMahan, Steve Mikels, Dawn Reagan, Tom Stinnett, Linda Webb and David Wells
- Absent:** 3 - Ron French, Jessica Hannah and Scott King

**A. SETTING OF AGENDA.**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that the agenda be set. Commissioner Mikels requested that item F.4. "Resolution No. 23-10-013, A Resolution by the Blount County Board of Commissioners to Protect Children" be withdrawn from the agenda. There was no objection. An electronic vote was taken to set the agenda as amended. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

**B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.****C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.****1. [Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2023.](#)**

**Attachments:** [Minutes 2023-Sep-12](#)

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

**Yes:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

**D. CONSENT CALENDAR.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Martin, 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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

1. [Proclamation in Recognition of October 15 - 21, 2023 as National Friends of the Library Week.](#)

**Attachments:** [Proclamation in Recognition of October 15-21, 2023 as National Friends of the Library Week.](#)

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

**Attachments:** [BONDS AND OATHS RESOLUTION 23-10-011](#)  
[Oaths of Deputy Sheriff 2023-Oct-19](#)  
[Notary Public Bonds Oaths 2023-Oct-19](#)

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

**Attachments:** [Notaries to be Elected 2023-Oct-19](#)

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

**Attachments:** [Jail Inspection Report for August 2023](#)  
[Jail Inspection Report for September 2023](#)  
[Minutes of Animal Center Advisory Board 2023-Jun-27](#)  
[Minutes of Beer Board 2023-Sep-12](#)  
[Minutes of Budget Committee 2023-Sep-12](#)  
[Minutes of Education Committee 2023-Aug-29](#)  
[Perishables Report Q1 FY24](#)  
[Trustee Report for September 2023](#)

a. [September 2023 Financial Reports. \(Information Only\)](#)

**Attachments:** [ARPA Utility Project Update September 2023](#)  
[ARPA Tracking 9.30.23](#)  
[FY23.24 Capital Exhibit](#)  
[SEPTEMBER 2023 EXPENSE REPORT](#)  
[SEPTEMBER 2023 REVENUE REPORT](#)  
[YTD EXPENSE REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 30 2023](#)  
[YTD REVENUE REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 30 2023](#)  
[US BANK REPORT SEPTEMBER 2023](#)

5. [Blount County Highway Department Employee Handbook. \(Information Only\)](#)

**Attachments:** [Memo Re BCHD Handbook](#)  
[BCHD Handbook](#)

6. [Tuckaleechee Utility Board of Commissioners \(4-Year Term\) Reappointment of Lamar Dunn. \(Information Only\)](#)

**Attachments:** [Lamar Dunn Comm Packet 10-2023](#)

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**F. NEW BUSINESS.**

**1. Budget Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases.**

a. [Resolution No. 23-10-001. Budget Increase - Highway Capital - \\$501,863.50 \(Appropriate funds for repairs to Long Rifle Road Slip, Blair Loop Road Slip and Helton Road Bridge\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Hwy Long Rifle Slip Blair Loop Slip Helton Rd Bridge](#)  
[Amendment Hwy Slips Long Rifle Slip Blair Loop Slip Helton Rd Bridge](#)  
[Memo Hwy Long Rifle Slip Blair Loop Slip Helton Rd Bridge](#)  
[GSI Proposal Long Rifle Slip](#)  
[GSI Proposal Helton Rd](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, 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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- b. [Resolution No. 23-10-002. Budget Increase - Highway Capital - \\$200,000.00 \(Accept and appropriate TEAP Grant funds for tire recycling; with a 80/20 split, with Blount County's portion at \\$40,000.00\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Hwy Tire Grant \(2\)](#)

[Amendment Hwy Tire Grant](#)

[Memo Hwy Tire Grant](#)

[Backup Hwy Tire Grant](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Commissioner Jopling, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- c. [Resolution No. 23-10-003. Budget Increase - Highway Capital - \\$198,500.00 \(Appropriate funds for phase three of the traffic impact study for East Broadway and Old Knoxville Highway\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Hwy Ph3 Traffic Study](#)  
[Amendment Hwy Ph3 Traffic Study](#)  
[Memo Hwy Ph 3 Traffic Study](#)  
[Back up Hwy Ph3 Traffic Study](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- d. [Resolution No. 23-10-004. Budget Increase - Highway Capital - \\$192,000.00 \(Appropriate funds for purchase of used Track Hoe for use in the field for bridge and slip repairs\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Hwy Track Hoe](#)  
[Amendment Hwy Track Hoe](#)  
[Memo Hwy Track Hoe](#)  
[Quote 320 Excavator](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Martin, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- e. [Resolution No. 23-10-005. Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$119,959.00 \(Appropriate awarded mental health transport grant funds\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution BCSO Mental Health Grant](#)

[Amendment-BCSO Mental Health Grant](#)

[Memo BCSO Mental Health Grant](#)

**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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- f. [Resolution No. 23-10-006. Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$24,500.00 \(Appropriate awarded senior outreach program grant funds\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution BCSO Senior Outreach grant](#)

[Amendment- BCSO Senior Outreach Grant](#)

[Memo BCSO Senior Outreach award letter](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

Abstain: 0

- g. [Resolution No. 23-10-007. Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$22,147.00 \(Appropriate awarded Justice Assistance Grant funds for interoperable radio communications equipment\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution BCSO JAG grant](#)  
[Amendment BCSO JAG grant](#)  
[Memo-email detailing JAG grant](#)  
[JAG grant award letter](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- h. [Resolution No. 23-10-008. Budget Increase - BCSO - \\$14,994.52 \(Appropriate awarded corrections emergency response team training equipment grant funds\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution - BCSO TCI grant](#)  
[Amendment BCSO TCI grant](#)  
[Backup BCSO TCI grant](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Webb, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0



**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- i. [Resolution No. 23-10-009. Budget Increase - School Capital - \\$67,500.00](#)  
[\(Appropriate funds for consulting fees needed for roof design and construction oversight at William Blount High School\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution School Capital \(WBHS Roof\)](#)  
[Amendment School Capital \(WBHS Roof\)](#)  
[Memo School Capital \(WBHS Roof\)](#)

**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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- j. [Resolution No. 23-10-010. Budget Increase - Central Services Capital - \\$34,833.00](#)  
[\(Appropriate funds to replace damaged floor in the property assessor's office\). Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Central Svs Capital Prop asses floor](#)  
[Amendment Central Svs Capital Prop asses floors](#)  
[Memo Central Svs capital prop asses floor](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, 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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

## 2. Other Budget Items.

- a. [Resolution No. 23-10-015. Highway Department requests to establish a Memorandum of Understanding with Parks and Rec and the Blount County Highway Department to acquire materials and services between the two departments. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Hwy MOU with Parks & Rec](#)  
[Parks & Rec MOU](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, 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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- b. [Resolution No. 23-10-016. Purchasing requests the Sheriff's Office Department agreement with Flock Safety be approved with terms extending beyond the current fiscal year to lock in current pricing and maximize cost savings. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [RESOLUTION - Purchasing multi year BCSO Flock](#)  
[Memo BCSO multi-year Law Enforcement contract](#)  
[Back up BCSO multi year Law Enforcement Agreement](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- c. [Resolution No. 23-10-017. Purchasing requests a multi-year contract with LexisNexis \(online legal research platform\) for Circuit Court starting in the FY 2023-2024 until FY 2026-2027 for purposes of saving on subscription fees. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Lexis Law Library](#)

[Memo Lexis Law Library](#)

[Lexis Agreement](#)

**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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

- d. [Resolution No. 23-10-018. Office of the Mayor requests that the Mayor have authority to execute the Interlocal Agreement and use of fund balance, not to exceed \\$42,035.00, to keep the Great Smoky Mountains National Park open in the event of Federal Government shutdown. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

**Attachments:** [RESOLUTION office of the mayor interlocal 2](#)

[Agreement - Blount County, Gatlinburg, Pigeon F \(1\)](#)

[Memo office of the mayor interlocal](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

### 3. Appointments.

#### a. [Veterans Affairs Committee Appointment of Larry Grant, American Legion Post 13.](#)

**Attachments:** [BCG Email - Fwd\\_ Veterans Affairs Committee](#)  
[American Legion Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Carver, 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:** 18 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**Abstain:** 0

#### 4. [Resolution No. 23-10-013, A Resolution by the Blount County Board of Commissioners to Protect Children.](#)

**Attachments:** [Resolution to Protect Children](#)

**The Resolution was withdrawn from the agenda.**

5. [Resolution No. 23-10-014. A Resolution for Broadband Ready Communities.](#)

**Attachments:** [Broadband Ordinance Blount County](#)  
[Broadband Eligible items](#)  
[Broadband Designated Ready Communities](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, 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:** 17 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Akard, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bledsoe, Vice Chair Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Stinnett, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

**No:** 1 - Commissioner Mikels

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner French, Commissioner Hannah and Commissioner King

**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, October 10, 2023, at 7:25 p.m.**